



Our hours of supervision are 8:45am-3:30pm

The Oak Observer

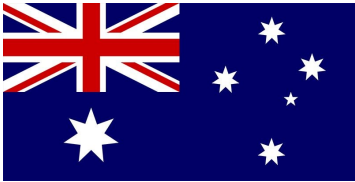
Drouin West Primary School

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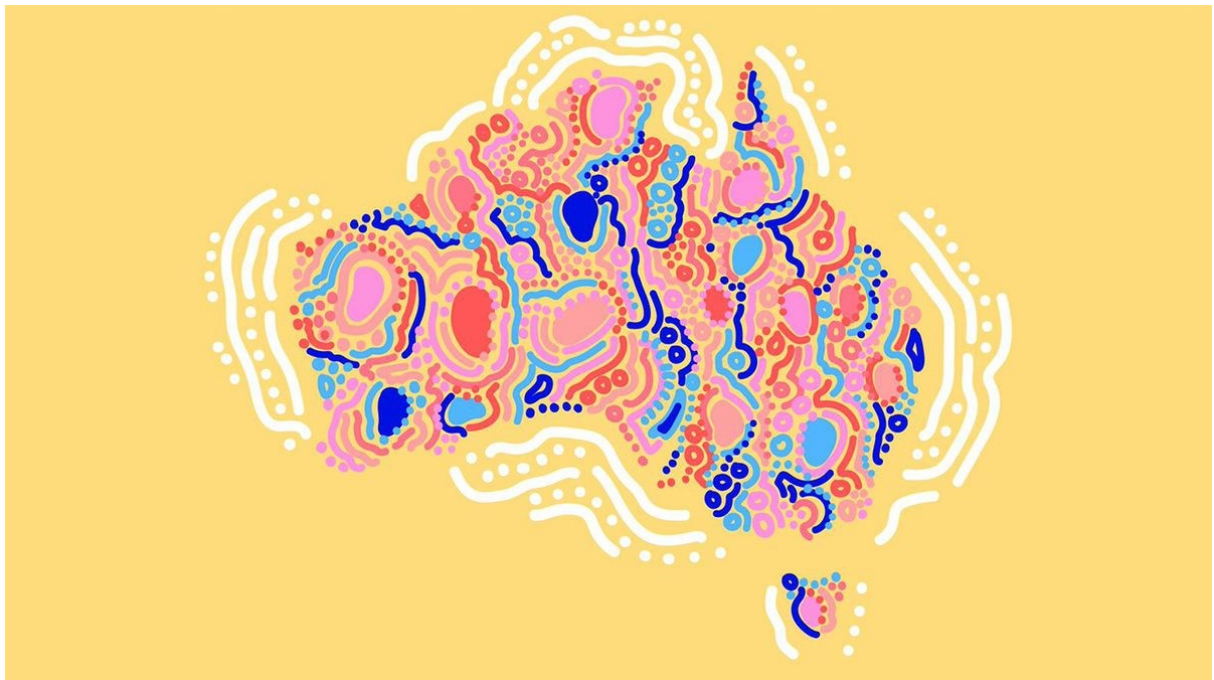


Acknowledgement of Country



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country and recognize the continuing connection to lands, water and communities.

We pay our respects to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures' and to Elders past and present.





From the Principal

'Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Respectful, Be a Learner'

Welcome back!

I'm looking forward to another great term, the students have settled back into the school routine so well and it is nice to hear the learning buzz around the classrooms.

This term, we welcome some new staff, a big welcome to Ms Ashleigh (Ms Ash), Mrs Melanie Hudgell (Mrs Hudgell) and Mr Michael Barrett (Mr Barrett). Ashleigh is joining Emma in the office, please come and say hello to her at the front desk. Mrs Hudgell is going into 2/3B as Kasey Tymkin takes family leave from Week 3 and welcomes the new addition to her gorgeous family. Mr Barrett is now teaching STEM across the school and 2/3B on a Friday. Mr Joel Gilcrist will teach 5/6B as Mrs Flannery has extended her leave. We are so lucky to have such passionate staff and we can't wait to get to know the new members of our wonderful DWPS community.

Our 5/6 students are excited to be heading off to camp in Week 3, they are travelling to Ballarat for a Sovereign Hill experience where they will continue learning about our history. This will be a great experience for all and I can't wait to hear all about it. Some of our 5/6 students are also participating in a AFL gala day next Friday, which AFL have sponsored and provided. It will be fabulous to see our DWPS students participate and represent us with pride. They have been training with Mr Shaw and WOW, they are going so well, building their team approach and skills.

This week at DWPS, we have recognised NAIDOC week and our children have continued to learn about our history and in the theme 'For our Elders', spent some time considering what that means for them and who in their lives is an Elder. Building our inclusive and culturally safe learning environments is what we strive for at DWPS and it always makes me proud how our children learn the perspectives of others, whilst they build their own. Our mural, on the rebound wall is really starting to take place and we thank our local Elder Auntie Cheryl for her guidance and wisdom in guiding our students involved in this.

Take care,

Kelly Halliday

IMPORTANT DATES



Mondays	Lunch Orders via Flexi Schools Lunch Time Club: Outdoor games with James
Tuesdays	Lunch Time Club: Garden Club with Miss Gooding
Wednesdays	Lunch Time Club: Art Club with Ms Height & James
Thursdays	Lunch Orders via Flexi Schools Lunch Time Club: Technology Club
Friday	Assembly (Undercover Area) @ 2:50pm Lunch Time Club: Craft in the Art Room

TERM 3

Fri 21st Jul	AFL Gala Day – Year 5 & 6 (Consent forms due 17/07/2023)
Mon 3rd JUL—Fri 7th JUL	NAIDOC Week
Wed 26th – Fri 28th JUL	Sovereign Hill Camp – Years 5 & 6 (Consent forms due 17/07/2023)
Fri 28th JUL	2024 Prep Enrolment Application Paperwork Due Back
Mon 31st Jul	Book club orders due
Fri 4th AUG	Principal's Day
Fri 11th AUG	Student Free Day
Fri 25th AUG	Book Week Dress Up Day

TERM 4

Fri 27th OCT	World Teacher's Day
Mon 6th NOV	Assessment & Reporting Day (No Students)
Fri 10th NOV	Year 6 Graduation Photo Day

Don't forget! If you have a sibling (to enrol for Prep 2024) you must submit your paperwork by the 28th of July.

Attendance reminder: If your child is absent, please let us know by phoning the school or adding an attendance note directly into Compass.

DROUIN WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Now is the time to submit Prep Enrolment paperwork for 2024!



THE ENROLMENT PROCESS HAS CHANGED

Here is what you need to know...

1

Grab a DWPS Enrolment pack from our school office or website.

2

Gather all the required documents and submit the Enrolment paperwork by **Friday the 28th of July.**

3

We will contact you via email on **Friday the 11th of August** to confirm the outcome of your Enrolment.

Please contact our office on **5625 1971**
to organise a school tour.

From Mrs Haynes

Drouin West Primary School Chaplain

It's been great to be back this term and start with such beautiful sunshine. The veggie gardens are looking really healthy after lots of care last term. Our garlic, board beans and snow peas have all grown over the holiday break. We are currently weeding this patch (again!) but there is excitement as we find many lettuce seedlings that have self seeded and grown. Some of the group were keen to taste the lettuce leaves as well as pot some up to relocate.

Breaky Club has started up again, Tuesday and Friday mornings. We are very thankful to Drouin Bakers Delight for their bread donation each week. If you are in there please say thanks to the staff. We are also very grateful to Foodbank who provide our milk, fresh fruit and so many more food options to our school. They offer this as a donation and it is such a valuable commitment to our community. We would really appreciate an extra set of hands at breaky club to assist with clean up. If you are able to help out for half an hour either Tuesday or Friday at school drop off time please chat to myself or Kelly. Helping with a few dishes once kids head to class would be really useful.

I also want to express a huge thanks to everyone for welcoming me into the school community. I am really enjoying being part of Drouin West Primary School. It is a great family community with such a strong commitment to helping the students learn to be their best, in so many different ways. I am going to be away for a few weeks this term. My husband had long service leave planned for this year and we are heading to Canada to visit some friends! If you've got any questions please get in touch with me next week or touch base with Kelly. I will be back for the last two weeks of term. I will be looking forward to hearing from the kids all the exciting things they've been up to during the term.

Mrs. Di, Chaplain



SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS PROGRAM

Tuesday and Fridays

BREAKFAST CLUB



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Parent Helpers Needed!

We have a few books that need contacting for our Library.

It would be greatly appreciated if any parents could take a few books home to contact and bring them back.

If you would like to help please contact the office to arrange collection.





Surviving Separation

Are you finding it difficult navigating your children's feelings and behaviour after separation?

Come along, learn some skills to assist you and your children to build strong connections and chat with other parents in similar situations.

Would you like to:

- Learn how to best support your children through separation?
- Learn ways to better deal with your emotions and theirs?
- Build communication skills for the future, for yourself and your children?
- Develop strategies to manage your children's behaviour

Dates: Thursday 20th July - 23rd August 2023

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: FREE

Venue: Online via ZOOM

Register: scan the QR code, follow the MS forms link
<https://forms.office.com/r/s8j22s0tQU>

OR contact

Parentzone.Gippsland@anglicarevic.org.au

P: (03) 5135 9555



PARENTZONE



Tuning in to Kids

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting For Parents of Children Aged 3-12 Years

Would you like tips and strategies to:

- Better understand and communicate with your child?
- Help your child learn to manage their emotions and deal with conflict?
- Manage challenging behaviours?
- Parent anxious children?
- Raise resilient children?

Children with emotional intelligence:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
- Show improved concentration at school
- Have fewer illnesses

Dates: Mondays 31st July - 4th September

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Cost: **FREE**

Venue: Online via ZOOM

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PARENTZONE



Tuning in to Teens

Parenting program that teaches parents skills to help their teens begin to understand and regulate their emotions

Do you want to:

- Learn how to better understand and manage your teen's emotions, such as anger, anxiety and sadness?
- Improve your communication with your teen?
- Teach your teen to deal with conflict
- Help your teen learn to manage their emotions?

Dates: Fridays 21st July - 25th August

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Cost: **FREE**

Venue: **ONLINE via ZOOM**

Supporting the development of your teen's emotional intelligence will help them:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends.
- Be more able to calm down when angry or upset.
- Have better communication at school.
- Better manage challenges and change.



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PARENTZONE

Prep A Snapshot

What a great start to the term Prep A had! In math we are learning about time. This includes the features of a clock. This week we learnt how to read 'o'clock' on digital and analogue clocks. We made our very own clock and discussed the features - Leah Bull



2/3 C Snapshot












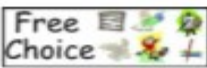

Every day in our grade, the students earn class dojo points for following the 4Bs (being a learner, being kind, being safe, being respectful).

They can also earn dojo points by being helpful, organised, lining up quickly, showing persistence, teamwork and so much more! The students then have an opportunity to redeem these points for various things, such as having the teacher's chair for the day (a very popular choice!), a milo, lunch with a friend - this could be anyone across the school. It's really lovely when siblings lunch together! There's also the 'big ticket items' that students save up for, including making pizza with Mrs. Halliday or having hot chips. These are once a term options.

Attached is our poster of all the different things that we can redeem dojo points for. This was collaborated with all the students across 2/3, with 100% student input and voice.



2/3 DOJO REWARDS!

20 POINTS	40 POINTS	100 POINTS	150 POINTS
TEACHER CHAIR FOR THE DAY  LUNCH WITH A FRIEND OR SIBLING   MILO LOOK AFTER THE CLASS MASCOT FOR THE DAY 	ICY POLE   FREE DRESS PICNIC LUNCH OUTSIDE WITH A FRIEND  20 MINUTES LEGO TIME 	PIZZA MAKING WITH MRS HALLIDAY   A BAKING EXPERIENCE 20 MINUTES TECH TIME  15 MINUTES FREE CHOICE (OUTSIDE PLAY, READ, GAME) 	*ONCE A TERM* HOT CHIPS  LUNCHTIME DISCO 