lıkent Drouin West Primary School

Hours of supervision: 8.45am—3.45pm

10th October, 2012

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Student Banking
We will have 2 prize claiming days in this term. If you wish to trade your tokens for a prize in this term please put your orders in before the 6th November and 3rd December. Prizes will be ordered on those 2 dates. Remember to save each week to increase your token tally. The more tokens you have the more prizes you can acquire.

Operation Christmas Child
Please remember to return all boxes to the school by Friday, October 12th.

Dancing
Thursdays
Drouin West Primary School - Multi Purpose room
For students in Year levels P — 3
Supervisor: Paul Mahoney
Time: 3.15 - 4.15pm

Summer Sports
Wednesdays
Drouin West Primary School oval
For students in Year levels Prep to 6
Dates: Oct 24th, 31st, Nov 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and Dec 5th.
Supervisor: Paul Mahoney
Time: 3.15 - 4.15pm

Flippa Ball
Fridays
Drouin Secondary College Indoor Pool
For students in Year levels 4-6
Dates: Nov 23rd and 30th. Dec 7th and 14th.
Supervisor: Paul Mahoney
Time: 4 - 5pm

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Welcome Back to School!
The week has started off on a positive note with renewed energy levels and enthusiasm for a new term. While travelling is a wonderful experience and a great opportunity to learn about the history and everyday life in other countries, it is lovely to be home.

Thanks to all the staff in our team who took on different roles and responsibilities in my absence, particularly Karyn Thomas who stepped into the role of Acting Principal.

Staffing Update
It is with some sadness that we will be saying good bye to Ms Tracey Stubbs during this term. Tracey started in a voluntary capacity at Drouin West in 2008 to complete her practicum component of a course in Social Work. After she was qualified, Tracey accepted a part time position at Drouin West to support the children and families following our successful application for a grant through the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal. During this time Tracey has undertaken various roles including counselling support, playgroup sessions for new preps and parent courses.

It has been a privilege to have worked with Tracey during this time as she has supported many individual students and parents in our community. We will all miss her bubbly presence, her big smile and the conversations she has around our school. Tracey will be starting her new position with Anglicare family services from the week beginning October 29. Tracey's regular days at Drouin West are Mondays and Fridays.

Active After School Communities
Plans for term 4 programs are well underway with many families taking up the opportunity to be involved in active programs after school.

We are fully booked for Wednesday’s program. There are vacancies for both dancing and Flippa ball. Please ensure you have your name down if you would like to join in the fun. Don’t forget your drink bottle each week!

A new and super exciting option for our senior school (years 5 & 6) students to get involved in AASC this term is: Flippa Ball on Fridays: A fun and safe version of water polo for boys and girls.

Flippa Ball is an exciting, aquatic team activity which promotes water confidence and helps to develop participants’ water skills.

Flippa Ball benefits include:
- It's exciting!
- Helps develop teamwork and leadership skills.
- Helps develop ball skills.
- Enables boys and girls to interact.
- It's a fun and safe addition to a child’s aquatic education.

Day: Friday’s
Dates: Nov 23 & 30 and Dec 7-14
Times: 4.00-5.00
Venue: Drouin Secondary College Indoor Pool.

Wanted
Our family leaves the school at the end of the year, so I need 2 parents to take over my section of the garden at the front of the school. Do your bit to contribute to the up keep of the school in your own time and space. Very little work required, approx. ½ hour per month in total.

Contact me and I will explain to you the very easy maintenance throughout 4th term.

Adele Richardson 56267030, 0417373690 or agrichardson@dcsi.net.au

HATS! HATS! HATS!
It’s time again to protect our skin and wear hats outside. All students are required to have their own hat to wear. Due to health and hygiene reasons we will not be lending out hats at school from classrooms or the office. Parents please ensure your child’s hat is clearly named.

Head Lice and Holidays
From our experience, head lice become a significant issue at school for families after we have had school holidays. Parents are strongly urged to check their child’s hair before returning to school. If we can all be vigilant, hopefully head lice will not become a huge community health issue. Please let us know if you can assist with head lice checks. With a team of volunteers we will be able to address this issue for our community.

Assistance Needed in The Art Room
This term we are embarking on the study of “Threads and Textiles”. The children will be learning about threads and the many ways that threads can be used to create textiles and other art forms. They may be exploring finger knitting, rope making, plaiting, collage, winding, weaving, knitting or felting.

If you have any knitted, woven, crochet or felt articles at home which may be valuable for the children to see, please bring them along to share. This unit of work is very labour intensive and many hands are needed to support the children with their learning. If you have any spare time and would like to assist, it would be greatly appreciated.

If you or anyone in your family would like to help children to learn to knit, crochet, weave or sew it would be great. Knitting, crochet and perhaps felting will be taking place on Wednesdays with the upper children. We are in need of lots of wool and knitting needles. If you have any to spare, could you please send it along.
We also need wood or strong cardboard for weaving frames. Please talk to me if you think you can help.

Thanking you.
Anne Cope
Chaplaincy News

Hello Everyone!
Hi Everyone
As the grade 4 children have headed off to camp I found this little story that you might enjoy.

The Inspection  Author Unknown
Submitted by Glenn Van Ekeren in "Chicken Soup For Mother’s Soul"

The Scouts were in camp. In an inspection, the director found an umbrella neatly rolled inside the bedroll of a smart scout. As an umbrella was not listed as a necessary item, the director asked the boy to explain. “Sir, answered the young man with a weary sigh, did you ever have a mother?”

As I was watching the pre match entertainment at the grandfinal I noticed the Olympic and footy stars being chauffeured around the MCG in the back of the utes, with an umbrella. I wonder if their mother had anything to do with that? Take care! Don’t forget your brolly!

Wendy Ronalds (School Chaplain Tuesdays/Wednesdays)

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Happy Birthday !!!!!!!

Happy birthday to the following students who celebrate/celebrated their special day during the weeks of Sunday, 23rd September to Saturday, 13th October

Brydie Allan, Jared Mills, Riley Earl, Jayden Zelley, Jack Smith, Rachael Willig, Madison Burrows, Blake Roberts and Tahj Osseweyer.

Remember to come to the office and collect a birthday sticker.

Spring/Summer and the sun!

It is important to remember your sun safety tricks;

**Slip, Slop, Slap!**

Remember to put sunscreen on the tops of your ears, back of your neck and nose.

Avoid being out in the sun between 10am-4pm.

Pop some sunscreen in your school bag

If you are swimming or sweating lots reapply sunscreen every 2 hours.

Make sure you drink water regularly.

http://kidshealth.org/kid/watch/out/summer_safety.html#

Spring Badminton!

For junior players of all ages
(including those from the ‘Active After Schools Program’)

Beginners welcome!

(Please note - these are not training sessions, beginners will be expected to learn the game through playing matches)

Friday evenings, 12th October—30th November (8 weeks)
6.00—8.00 pm

The Warragul Badminton Centre,
Galloway Street, Warragul.

$5 per evening per player

For further information please contact Ray Throup on 0412487322
or email roscoandbron@dcsi.net.au