



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

The Oak Observer

Drouin West Primary School

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2023 TERM 2



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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 Preps do not attend Wednesdays in February
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 2	
Mon 8th MAY	Neerim District SC Information Evening at DWPS 6:00–7:00pm
Thu 11th MAY	Last chance to order a Mother's/Special Person gift! (Page 5)
Fri 12th MAY	Mother's and Special Others Afternoon Tea before assembly 2:15pm
Tue 16th MAY	Education Support Day
Tues 16th MAY	School Council Meeting 6:00pm
Fri 19th MAY	Year 6 Discovery Day at NDSC
Tues 23rd MAY	Cross Country Divisional
Tues 6th – Wed 7th JUN	Parent Teacher Conferences TBC
Tues 13th – Wed 14th JUN	Parent Teacher Conferences TBC
Fri 16th JUN	Year 6 Discovery Day at NDSC
Thu 22nd JUN	Prep & Year 1 Coal Creek Excursion 9:00am–2:00pm
Fri 23rd JUN	Last Day of Term 2
TERM 3	
Mon 3rd JUL–Fri 7th JUL	NAIDOC Week
Wed 26th – Fri 28th JUL	Sovereign Hill Camp (Years 5 & 6)
Fri 28th JUL	2024 Prep Enrolment Paperwork due back
Fri 4th AUG	Principal's Day
Fri 11th AUG	Student Free Day
Fri 27th OCT	World Teacher's Day
6th NOV	Assessment & Reporting Day (No Students)
10th NOV	Year 6 Graduation Photo Day

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



From the Principal

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

Dear Families,

Another fabulous week here at DWPS!

Our Year 3/4 Campers last week had a terrific time with lovely weather at Woorabinda. It was an action packed experience with many opportunities to develop new skills. A big thank you to our parents Andrew & Casey for volunteering to assist with camp and our staff who enjoyed their time with the students.

On Tuesday, thirteen of our students competed in the next level of Athletics with the Divisional Carnival held at Newborough. Once again, they represented themselves and our school well. Well done to Ainsley B, Reilley B, Chloe B, Jai C, Elyse F, Caleb G, Summer H, Remi J, Annabelle R, Brock U, Ruby U, Seth W and Hudson W.

This week we welcomed prospective families to our school for an Open Morning. The event saw a large number of families attend. The enrolment guidelines have changed statewide this year and we continue to follow the [Placement Policy](#).

If you have a sibling to enrol for 2024, please make contact with us as soon as possible to ensure we are aware of the enrolment.

Our Year Six students spent Thursday at Drouin Secondary College for a secondary school experience day. Events like these provide a 'taste' of secondary school and allow our students to gain further confidence for when the time comes to transition across to the secondary sector. We are very fortunate that our local schools provide these experiences for our students. Further discovery days are due to be held at Neerim District Secondary College.

Our Year 2/3's went off to the *Are We There Yet?* show performed at Warragul Arts Centre, this was a part of their inquiry studies and certainly enhanced the learning through an art program.

Have you had a chance to see the beautiful artwork displayed in our galleries.. WOW, aren't our students amazing? What they have created through individual pieces is just astounding! Ms Lisbeth Height our art teacher has also utilised the kiln and the students have created some beautiful ceramic pieces. Lis builds the piece with the students whilst studying the artist, so the students learn the techniques and unique features the artist uses along the way.

Take care, have a lovely weekend,
Kelly Halliday

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.



DROUIN WEST
PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Mother's Day & Special Others

FRIDAY 12TH MAY

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I love you
TO THE
MOON
AND BACK

Mother's & Special Others are invited to join us for an afternoon tea 2:15pm on Friday the 12th May before assembly.

A handmade cookie and succulent gift can be purchased via QKR, cash or EFT by Thursday 11th May. Limit of 2 per student. Gifts will be distributed Friday 12th May.



From Mrs Haynes

Drouin West Primary School Chaplain

Dear Families,

Every week in the newsletter you will have noticed this thing called *Breaky Club*.

Some of you have walked through the Year 2/3 gallery and enjoyed the fresh smell of toast on a Tuesday or Friday. Everyone though has a different impression of what *Breaky Club* might be so I thought I'd give you a little but more info. So what actually is breaky club at Drouin West Primary School? It is simply a time before school on a Tuesday or Friday where students can have some breakfast! We start at 8.30 and finish up around 8.45 when the music goes so that students can prepare for class.

It is a calm space for students to relax before they begin their day. It is a community space where students enjoy chatting over breakfast together. It is a food place where kids can fill a hungry stomach, sometimes with it being a second breakfast for the day! It is a safe place where anyone is welcome. We've got a couple of student helpers who join in with serving, cleaning and looking out for the younger kids. Breaky options are toast with honey or vegemite, there's also cereals. We've got milk primas that the kids really enjoy as well as small stewed fruit cups.

The conversations at breakfast are always amusing, consisting of some amazing creative stories as well as sharing excitements from the week. If you're interested to see how it works, please feel free to drop in and say 'hi'. If you'd like to help out we are looking for a volunteer to pick up some donated bread from Bakers Delight in Drouin. The new manager was very quick to offer support to our school and it would be really useful if there was a family that could pick it up once a week, at closing time, between 6.30pm and 7pm. If you can help please chat with myself, or Emma at reception.





Divisional Athletics







Whole School Cross Country







Our Vision

Empowering all students to be the best version of themselves

Year 7 at NDSC

- Small class settings
- Strong sense of community
- Peer support program
- Focus on wellbeing
- Focus on learning

2024 YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

Date: Monday 8 May 2023

Location: Drouin West PS

Time: 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Contact Us

03 5628 1455

www.ndsc.vic.edu.au

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Open Day

Saturday 13 May, 10am - 2pm



Time to choose a Secondary School?

Discover a place of learning that is committed to the growth, development and potential of all students, whatever their academic level and wherever their futures may take them. At St Paul's, we are dedicated to ensuring that all students are nurtured, feel a strong sense of belonging and are able to actively prepare themselves for the future.

Our students and highly qualified staff are ready to share with you our expansive grounds and purpose-built facilities, our curriculum and their lifelong love of learning. Delve into the many and varied service, co-curricular and leadership opportunities that assist each child to pursue their potential, developing resilience and confidence as they grow into independent and articulate young adults.

Register now: stpaulsags.vic.edu.au

Enrol Now for 2025 and beyond

Limited places available for 2024

Kinder to Year 12 - Warragul and Traralgon



**SCHOOL
BREAKFAST
CLUBS
PROGRAM**



**BREAKFAST
CLUB**

Tuesday and Fridays @ 8:30am





Congratulations!

To our Super Bee Recipients

Left to Right: Emily M 5/6A, Ashley R 23A, Summer D 5/6B, Emma S 4/5A, Dylan M n2/3C, Zachary F 2/3B, Nellie D 1B, Austin D PB and Ashlee O PA.



Golden Whistler Reserve

WELCOME

Community Planting Day

Come and help plant 1000 shrubs, trees and tubestock at this little gem of a reserve on the outskirts of Drouin

Date: Saturday 20th May

Time: 9.30 am start

until we finish

Come when it suits you

Official Opening 11.30 am

Sausage sizzle and water provided, toilet on site, BYO working clothes, gardening gloves, small spade or trowel



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