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Newsletter

'We may be small but we've got it all!'

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**We respect and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and future.
We acknowledge the stories, traditions and living cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples on this land and
commit to building a brighter future together.**

TERM 1 CALENDAR 2022

**Thursday 7th April—End of term
celebration Sausage Sizzle**

Friday 8th April— End of term 1



EASTER RAFFLE

Thankyou for the donations so far—MUCH APPRECIATED.
Keep them coming in.

Hopefully your tickets are selling fast. If you want some more to sell, please do not hesitate to ask for more.

**The raffle will be drawn on
Thursday 7th April at 6.00pm**

I hope that you enjoy the BBQ on Thursday—I know Mr Boxall and Ms Schier have some fun activities planned. I wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday and look forward to getting back into another exciting term after the holidays.

CAROL

- ◆ Darraweit Guim Primary School is committed to safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making.
- ◆ Darraweit Guim Primary School has zero tolerance for child abuse.
- ◆ Darraweit Guim Primary School is committed to providing a child safe environment where ALL students are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives.
- ◆ Every person involved in Darraweit Guim Primary School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.



Just one more week and we end term 1 2022! It has been wonderful to be able to get back to some kind of normality and have the students consistently working onsite. Our nine foundations students have settled in really well and each and every one is special to us.

Some highlights of the term are:

- ◆ our students representing our school proudly at volleyball, tennis and the cross country—Asha came in 10th which qualifies her to represent our little school at the regional cross country event in Bendigo.
- ◆ Rob Mitchell visited and presented us with three new flags.
- ◆ Cat Melvaine joined the team to teach Auslan and African dance.
- ◆ We have made lots of scrumptious food with Mrs Bryan in the garden-to-Kitchen program.
- ◆ We have partnered with Mitre 10 Kilmore to develop our yarning circle in our garden.
- ◆ Hotdog lunch.
- ◆ Our before and after school care is building in numbers.
- ◆ Our years 4/5/6 enjoyed a day at the Victorian Space Science Education Centre at Strathmore Secondary College with students from Bolinda PS and Hesket PS. The students participated in the "Expedition to Mars Base" and "Tickle My Droid" Programs.
- ◆ And more!!!!

Thankyou to everyone for supporting the school, staff and students this term— we really appreciate the positive partnerships we have developed with everyone.



EXCURSION TO MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW

What a fantastic day we had yesterday. The students had a great day and were a credit to DGPS.

Recount by Jude Yean and the Senior Class

At the dawn of the day, when the light rolled over the hills, we found each other. The Wallan train station was the meeting place and all we saw were familiar faces. The school had lined up around the side of the building, and everyone was buzzing. We were all eager to ride the train, and when it came around the bend, the excitement grew, grew until it couldn't be contained. Some kids squealed, other yelled out, "TRAIN!!" Although, I had doubts, we all made it on the train, and tram without leaving anyone behind, at least I think we did... (Yes, we did)

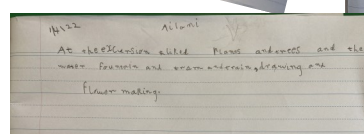
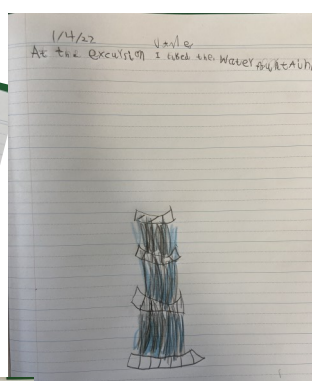
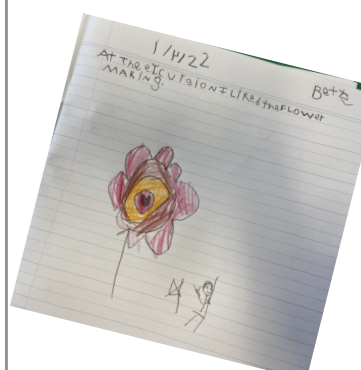
While the train ride flew past, we were greeted by the putrid smell of pollution. While some kids played games, others made jokes, as we neared closer and closer to Southern Cross Station, where we spent the next 20-30 minutes having toilet breaks and eating food.

As we huddled off the tram, we saw it, in all of its glory, The Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show. We set off, all of the classes separated and went different ways, but the senior class made a bee line straight for the BEEs!!!

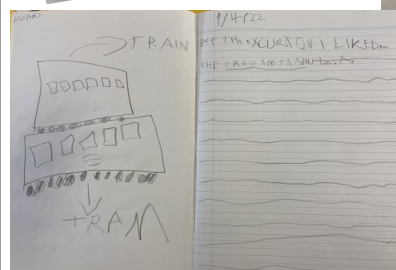
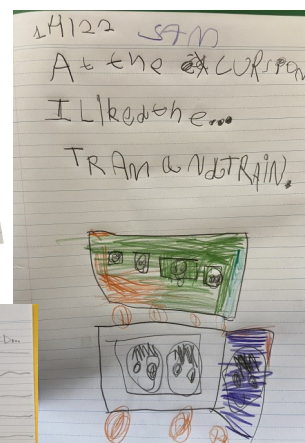
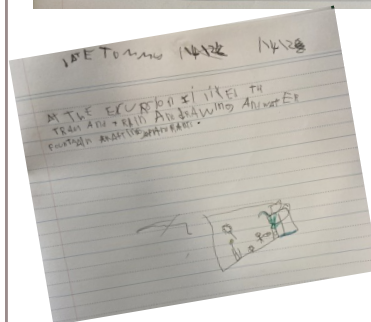
We had a look at some artificial bee hives, and even got free honey samples!! We then walked over to the plant and bug stall, where we got to pot a plant and keep it for free!! We then looked at a tent full of bugs!! We got showbags with a comic book about pesky bugs that inhabit our land, for instance, one of them are the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug!!

We then made our way towards the fun activities area where we played a whole class giant snakes and ladders, and footy!! Then we walked over to the make your own flower stall, where we made paper flowers. It was really fun!!

After that, we went to the sculpture area, where we got some free limestone. We also got to paint, but of course Mr Boxall forgot to grab them before we went!! All of it was heaps of fun, but the one thing we didn't get to do, was the tasting!! Better luck next time!



Recounts by the Junior Grades



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EXCURSION TO MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW

Photos



END OF TERM CELEBRATION AND BBQ

Only 6 more sleeps to go!!!! We are really looking forward to hosting the end of term celebration on Thursday 7th April @ 4.30 pm. Please return your attendance form by Monday for catering purposes. We don't want anyone to miss out.

CANTEEN RETURNS

Our Friday canteen will return in the first week of term 2. An updated canteen menu and ordering instructions will be sent home in the first week of term 2.

ANZAC DAY

On Monday 25th April, DGPS will be attending the Wallan Anzac Day Service and laying a wreath. It would be great if students could be in attendance at this service to represent the school. Some staff will also be in attendance. A note will be sent home next week regarding this.



LAST WEEK OF TERM 2

Next week is our final week of Term 1. It is a very busy week with a lot of things happening.

- Monday - Essendon Football Club meeting with the students on Zoom
- Tuesday- Leadership excursion to Hesket Primary School
- Wednesday - Yrs 3-6 Bendigo Discovery Centre presents: Electric currents and Circuits Incursion
- Thursday– RSL visitors talking with students about Anzac Day
- Thursday– Celebration BBQ 4.30pm to 6pm
- Friday– Last Day of Term. School finishes @ 2.30pm

JUNIOR CLASS NEWS

In the Junior Grade, we have taken a deeper look at our digraphs. The focus of this week was the double o ('oo'). We practiced spelling with our letter cards and had a small competition with our partners on who could spell the words the fastest. Next week, even though it is the last week, we are continuing to focus on our digraphs and doing our final review of everything we have worked on during the term.



Garden-to-Kitchen

This week we were fortunate enough to attend the Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show in the city. A big thank you and shout out to Miss Schier who organised the whole excursion for us. It linked nicely to our Kitchen Garden program as we were able to see some amazing gardens in action. We even got to learn about bees, how they communicate and why they are beneficial for our garden.

On Friday, we collected some sunflower seeds and planted the rest of our garlic cloves. The junior students weeded the garden and watered the plants. They used the mini wheelbarrows to transport the garden waste into the large FOGO bin.

Next Tuesday, eight of our students will be participating in the Kids Teaching Kids Program and will be travelling to Heskett Primary School via mini bus along with Mrs Bryan. We will be learning how to present our Yarning Circle project and will be delivering a presentation to other primary school students in September.



*The Kitchen Garden Program is proudly sponsored by Kilmore Mitre 10.