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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 4, 2021 CALENDAR

MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY—2nd November

END OF TERM 4— Friday, 17th December

## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



TOP EFFORT



### CONGRATULATIONS TO

#### F/1 CLASS

Jhett S—for his brilliant piece of writing about the zoo.

#### 2/3/4 CLASS

Lynton P—for his creativity when working on his narrative.

#### KITCHEN/GARDEN:

Christian A & Allyson S—in recognition of excellent performance in the Kitchen Garden program.

## WELCOME BACK

We welcomed back half of our students this week and it is fantastic to get back to a bit of normality. Hang in there for those who are working from home!!!

In week 4, we are looking forward to having all of the students back onsite to finish off what has been another very challenging year. The students at DGPS are amazing and have become more resilience and independent—which will help them as they grow and learn.

## FAREWELL AND WELCOME

At the end of last term we said farewell to the Vocale family, who have moved to a small town near Noosa in Queensland. Although we will miss both Austin and Reuben, we wish them all the very best at their new school.

One leaves and one arrives—we welcomed a new grade 2 student this week—Issa S. Issa started at DGPS three years ago and then moved to a inner city primary school. We are very glad to have him back.

## SCHOOL REVIEW

All of the prework has been completed and submitted for our upcoming review. The review panel and challenge partners will be meeting on Tuesday 19th October and Tuesday 26th October to completed the review discussions. Wednesday 20th October is set aside for fieldwork—this involves the reviewer and SEIL interviewing Parents, Students and Staff.

*We are looking for about 6 parents who would be willing to be interviewed. This will be done via WebEx. If you are interested in being part of the interviews please give me a call asap.*



## COMING EVENTS

We have planned some exciting events for term 4 in the hope that after October 25th, restrictions will be eased and we will be able to engage in some extra-curricula activities.

- Oct 26th, Nov 9th, Nov 23rd & Dec 7th—'First steps to Foundation' transition program
- Oct 29th—Cup day activities at school.
- Nov 2nd—Public holiday—Cup day
- Nov 9th, Nov 16th, Nov 23rd, Nov 30th & Dec 7th—Golf program
- Nov 8th, Nov 10th & Nov 11th—3 way conferences.
- Nov 15th—Nov 17th—years 3-6 camp @ Sunnystones School camp.
- Dec 2nd—Excursion to Quantum Victoria—STEM activities.
- Dec 7th—State-wide transition day
- Dec 8th—year 6 graduation
- Dec 13th—Celebration day @ Kilmore Leisure centre—TBC
- Dec 15th—End of year Family picnic—with Christmas Carols.

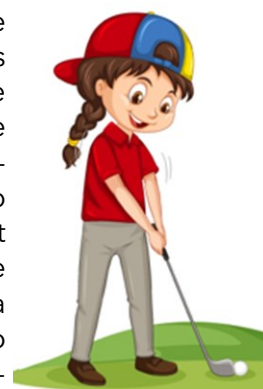
What an exciting looking term!!!!!!

Hopefully we will be able to welcome our new foundations students 2022 to our school for the transition program.

We currently have five foundation students enrolled.

Prep 2022  
Enrolments  
now OPEN!

As part of our PE program the student will learn the basic skills in golf. We are very fortunate to have a local golf pro come and work with Mr Boxall to deliver a five week 'Introduction to Golf' program. All equipment will be provided at school. We were lucky enough to obtain a grant to pay for this program so there is NO COST for our families.



We will be holding 3 way conferences in week 6, beginning November 8th. We are hoping that parents will have the options to attend these conferences on-site OR virtual. Mr Boxall will be setting up the booking system. A message will be sent out via UeducateUs informing you **when the bookings open**.



The year 3-6 students will be attending a three day camp on Monday 15th Nov–Wednesday 17th Nov.



The students will participate in a wide variety of activities, each individually designed to suit the needs of our group ensuring that everyone involved gets maximum benefit.

Information notes have been sent home. If you have not received a note, please contact asap.

Quantum Victoria is a statewide facility equipped with cutting edge technology. That breathes life into Science, technology, engineering and mathematics education for teachers and students. Quantum Vic offers innovative programs that will immerse our students in technology.

Permission forms and cost details will be send home in the following weeks.



# CLASSROOM NEWS

## JUNIOR CLASS

It is so awesome to see all of the Junior Class back ready to start term 4 with a BANG!

This week we have been looking at fun ways to do our spelling. This week we have been building word cup towers and they did an absolutely amazing job!

Theo and Jhett worked together to build a tower that was five levels high!

Next week they are going to try for six!



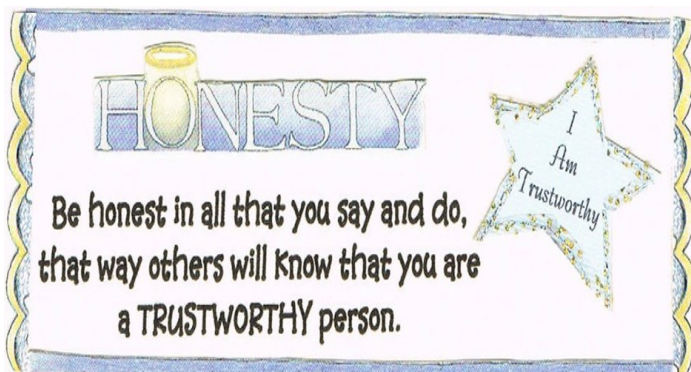
## MIDDLE CLASS

Welcome back to term 4! The Middle-class students have had a very productive week, both at school and as part of remote learning. I have been very impressed with student engagement in activities. Well done to Charlotte who can now confidently tell the time. The students have begun exploring a variety of different authors as part of our reading program, including J.K Rowling, Roald Dahl and Andy Griffiths. In writing the students have begun planning their narratives, in preparation to begin writing next week. In maths we are exploring time. The students have mastered o'clock, half past and quarter to and past times. Well done Middle class on such a great week!

## SENIOR CLASS

Welcome to the start of term 4! It's been great to see all the students faces, I've been working with all the students who are remote learning and their narratives are going to be very detailed with interesting and varied beginnings. From Term 3, it has been amazing to see everyone's detailed description on how the digestive system work! Special congratulations to Isla for her 8 pages of work!

## OUR VALUE OF THE WEEK IS



## CHILD SAFETY

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 children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability.

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.



Our gardens are looking amazing at the moment and yesterday the students learnt about composting and how to set up a good compost bin. Perhaps they could set you one up at home?

We have also grown plenty of mint—if you want some, we will send some home with your child.

