

# Newsletter

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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.



- 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.

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

#### **TERM 4, 2021 CALENDAR**

END OF YEAR FAMILY PICNIC— 15th December

END OF TERM 4—CELEBRATION DAY @Kilmore Leisure Centre - Friday, 17th Dec

#### F/1 CLASS

TOMMY F—for bouncing back when the learning gets tough and understanding that mistakes help us learn.



#### 2/3/4 CLASS

CHARLY P —for working hard at solving worded problems in maths.

#### 4/5/6 CLASS

DOMINIC T—for showing a willingness to learn in all subjects.

#### SPORTS AWARD

CHARLOTTE P—for getting a whole in two on our oval golf course. She showed great golf skills.

#### PRINCIPALS AWARD

JUDE Y & CHARLY P —being dependable in everything that they do.

#### LAST DAY-KILMORE LEISURE CENTRE

Please return the consent forms and money for the last day celebrations at Kilmore leisure centre asap.

Students should be dropped off at Hudson Park in Kilmore @ 10.00 am and then picked up at the Kilmore Leisure centre at 1.00 pm.

If your child will not be attending this day, could you please let me know.

#### TO DGPS COMMUNITY

Thank you for another wonderful and productive school year. I can't thank everyone enough for the endless hours that we have received, supporting your students through remote learning, volunteering, contributing to fundraising, donations and organising special events to support the staff and students—both at school and at home.

Special thanks to the school council members who have supported us to work towards our vision to provide the best possible programs and opportunities for our students.

To the staff—you are incredible and together we have made it though another challenging, yet satisfying year. We say goodbye to Mrs Strange and Mrs Bloomfield (AUSLAN) and thank them both for their dedication and contributions in 2021. Julie Schier & Cat Melvaine (AUSLAN) will be joining the staff team in 2022.

To the Students—thankyou for all your hard work throughout the school year. I am so honoured to be your Principal—you make me proud, you keep me laughing and at times on my toes. I think that you all have your own amazing talents and I look forward to working with most of you again next year. Congratulations to our three graduates—Primrose, Isla and Dawoud. All the best for secondary college and beyond.

Best wishes to Katie, who will not returning in 2022. We are going to miss you. Have a safe and relaxing break—spend time doing the things that you love. 2022 classes will be published next week. Merry Christmas Carol



#### END OF YEAR FAMILY PICNIC

Next Wednesday our family picnic/BBQ will be taking place at school. Families can bring there own picnic OR buy a sausage and drink at school <u>The sausage</u> es will be priced at \$3.00 (onion free) and soft drink at \$2.00.

We hope to see all families attend as we have been prepared to entertain you with some Carols.

The Christmas raffle will be drawn at the picnic/bbq. We have 11 prizes up for grabs.

# **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**



Thankyou to Jakob and his family for donating the 'first prize' hamper.

Thankyou to all the families who donated to make up the other hampers.

<u>The raffle will be drawn on</u> <u>Wednesday 15th December @</u> <u>the family picnic.</u>











Other hampers include (hampers are not placed in prize order)



# **CLASSROOM NEWS**

## OUR VALUE OF THE WEEK IS: WILLING TO LEARN

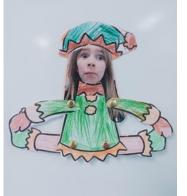
### Junior Class News

This week we started to get festive and have already completed so many activities. This week (with a big thanks to Mrs Strange), we turned our whole class into Elves! This

was, by far, a favourite with the students.







### Grade 4-6 News Term 4 Week 10

Well we're nearly to the finish line, which means that all senior class students are working hard to complete their lesson projects.

They are creating diorama's for their Climate Change projects and painting their Christmas paper-mache creations, getting ready for the Family BBQ next Wednesday afternoon.

Just when all the students thought that they'd finished their tests for the year, along comes the NAPLAN Readiness Test- this will assist NAPLAN to remove all the bugs in their system before next year.

The graduating Grade 6 students gave wonderful speeches (actually, the best speech of the night) and created PowerPoints to show what they achieved through their primary school journey.

The Grade 6 students favourite day was the day at FunFields! Absolute dare devils, going on some of those rides. Big thanks to Karen for being a part of the graduates day!









# **CLASSROOM NEWS**

#### GARDEN-TO-KITCHEN

This week we focused on coming together as a group to celebrate the school year and our time together in the Kitchen Garden Program. We baked gingerbread biscuits by creating the dough, kneading it, and then we carefully cut it into different Christmas themed shapes.

Natahlia and Lynton both took turns reading out the recipe to their fellow students and we listened to Christmas carols as we baked. The students all really enjoyed taking the time to decorate their biscuits and placed them into special bags to share with their families.

Some of the students preferred tradition decorations whilst others created some out of the box masterpieces. Katie created a turtle out of one of her biscuits, Thomas made a Pokeball and Declan created a Godzilla cookie for his brother Aidan.



We all came across a new ingredient today, Molasses. We took the time to learn about what it is made from (sugarcane) and used our senses to feel it, smell it and Charly even volunteered to taste it! The students all really enjoyed smelling all the spices and our personal favourite to smell is always the vanilla essence.

Our last cooking class of 2021 was certainly bittersweet, we have had a fabulous time in the Kitchen

#### MIDDLE CLASS

This week in the Middle class, we have begun practising our Christmas carols for the school BBQ next week. All the students are very excited to perform their 2 songs for you next Wednesday. Some students have even practised singing into a microphone!

The students have also enjoyed completing some fun Christmas activities through the week, including an Elf Yourself and Christmas cards. Great job Middle class!

