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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 3 CALENDAR 2022

NOODLE DAY — WEDNESDAYS only

CANTEEN—Every FRIDAY

1st August—Student vs teacher basket-ball game

3rd August—F-2—Free incursion—Incredible Invertebrates.

8th August - Tree Planting

9th August—Cobaw basnetball

15th—19th August—Science week.

19th August—Athletics Sports Day—Bendigo

19th August—Bush Kinder visitors.

23rd August—Story Quest incursion.

25th August—Camp information session.

25th August—Dress Up day—favourite book character

26th August — School Photos

1st September—Fathers Day afternoon

16th September—End of term 3

◆ 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.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Words of wisdom—Have a Go

Never let fear of failure stop you from having a go. If you feel it will work, you want it to work,, and you've done your home-work—Just do it!!!

TREE PLANTING EXCURSION—On Monday 8th August the whole school will be attending Hanging Rock to learn about biodiversity of the area. Hanging Rock has a rich history and its stories form part of Victoria's mythology. To this day, Hanging Rock remains a place of significance for the Dja Dja Wurrung, Taungurung and Wurundjeri nations.

Our students will be guided on walks through the rocks and bushland learning about the importance of protecting the natural biodiversity and will then plants some trees.

The students will leave school at 9.15 am and return at about 12.45 pm. School uniform should be worn and appropriate footwear e.g gumboots.

BUSH KINDER—Our friends from Journey Early Learning centre, will be visiting us on 19th August to participate in environmental activities. Mrs Bryan and the junior class will be organising some great activities.

SAVE THE DATES:

ATHLETIC SPORTS—YEARS 3-6 STUDENTS ONLY

On **Friday 19th August**, all year 3-6 students will be attending the regional Athletics Sports day at Bendigo. The students will be travelling to Bendigo by bus. More information and consent forms will be sent home to parents next week.

BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY

Book week is fast approaching and I want to give you all plenty of notice to get you dress up outfits ready to go!!!! This year book week theme is "Dreaming with eyes open"

On **Thursday 25th August** we will be dressing up as characters from our favourite stories.

SCHOOL PHOTOS—will be taken on **Friday 26th August**.

TRIVIA NIGHT—For all the trivia buffs out there—our next fundraising event will be a trivia night. On **Friday 9th September** we will be hosting this gala event at Hogan's Hotel.

The costs and times will be published in the net few weeks, however there will be limited tickets. If you would like to get in early and secure tickets, please contact Mr Boxall—Simon.Boxall@education.vic.gov.au to ensure that you don't miss out.

THE CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA'S ANNUAL BOOK WEEK RETURNS IN 2022 WITH THE THEME "DREAMING WITH EYES OPEN..."

THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN AUGUST 20-26.



Due to having fortnightly newsletters the

Student of Week—Superstars will now be displayed on the Notice board each week.

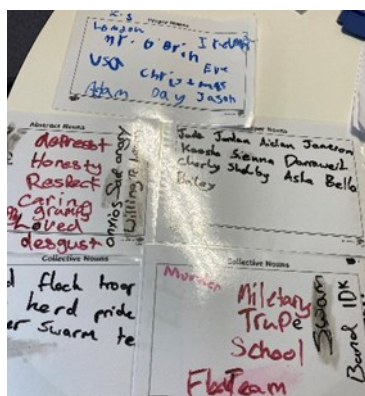
100 Days of School – Teddy Bear's Picnic

Last week we celebrated 100 days of school with a Teddy Bear's picnic. It was a lovely sunny afternoon and a great opportunity to sit together in the fresh air for lunch.




SENIOR CLASS

The students in the senior class have been working hard in class by; writing down the different types of nouns (collective, common, abstract and Proper), comparing two different themes within a text, measuring the area, surface area, volume and perimeter of 3D shapes that they created, writing information texts about a sustainability topic and completing their homework!



MIDDLE CLASS

In the middle classes we have been looking at non-fiction texts. We have learned about choosing topics, adding subheadings and writing an introduction. Together we produced a class information reports about unicorns.

<p style="text-align: center;">Unicorns</p> <p>Did you know that unicorns are the national animals of Scotland? Unicorns are mythical creatures that were once believed to be real. Nowadays we (sadly) know that unicorns are mythical, but they are still interesting to learn about. Read this article to learn all about unicorns.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is a Unicorn? <p>A unicorn is like a <u>horse</u> but it has a horn on its head. Unicorns can be sparkly and colourful. Unicorns live under the rainbow. Unicorns like candy. Unicorns are not real. They are a myth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Why are Unicorns magical? <p>Unicorns are so magical that they can fly and run and gallop. Unicorns can make</p>	<p>rainbows and sometimes spells. Unicorns can see if something is good or bad. A unicorn has the power to challenge even the Hulk. Unicorns can make your wishes come true.</p> <p>What do Unicorns do?</p> <p>Unicorns are untameable, they cannot be your pet. Unicorns can fly. They are loveable and help the good people. Unicorns make people happy and can save people.</p> <p>Conclusion:</p> <p>There are many interesting facts about unicorns. To learn more, check out other books and articles about unicorns!</p> 
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We have also been enjoying reading non-fiction texts and looking at the texts features of titles, headings, captions and graphic features.





KITCHEN GARDEN AND ENVIRONMENT NEWS

We have started this term with some exciting experiences. In week 1 the Kids Teaching Kids team set off to Journey Early Learning in Wallan to connect with children in our local community. We sat around a fire pit to yarn, toast marshmallows and make new friends.



Our proud sponsor, Jeanette Laffan from Nutrien Harcourts Kilmore attended our first assembly to officially present us with the sponsorship



In week 2, Loretta from Earth Watch Australia visited the Kids Teaching Kids team and helped us unpack the upcoming workshop. The students were excited to take her on a creek walk.



Homelessness Week 1-7 August 2022
"To end homelessness we need a plan"

FREE Soup Kitchen

Tuesday 2 August
 12pm-2pm
 Kyneton Mechanics Institute,
 81 Mollison Street Kyneton



Raising Awareness on Homelessness in Australia

FREE lunch, activities, performance by CUPS - Cobaw Ukulele Players and information on how to support members of the community

Thank you to our wonderful community sponsors







In Australia there are over 116,000 people experiencing homelessness on any given night. Homelessness Week aims to raise awareness of the impact of homelessness on Australia via national and local community events, including providing information on the importance of housing as a solution and educating communities on how they can make a difference.



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND WELLBEING

Top 10 Homework Tips

1. **Know the teachers — and what they're looking for.** Attend school events, such as parent-teacher conferences, to meet your child's teachers. Ask about their homework policies and how you should be involved.
2. **Set up a homework-friendly area.** Make sure kids have a well-lit place to complete homework. Keep supplies — paper, pencils, glue, scissors — within reach.
3. **Schedule a regular study time.** Some kids work best in the afternoon, following a snack and play period; others may prefer to wait until after dinner.
4. **Help them make a plan.** On heavy homework nights or when there's an especially hefty assignment to tackle, encourage your child break up the work into manageable chunks. Create a work schedule for the night if necessary — and take time for a 15-minute break every hour, if possible.
5. **Keep distractions to a minimum.** This means no TV, loud music, or phone calls. (Occasionally, though, a phone call to a classmate about an assignment can be helpful.)
6. **Make sure kids do their own work.** They won't learn if they don't think for themselves and make their own mistakes. Parents can make suggestions and help with directions. But it's a kid's job to do the learning.
7. **Be a motivator and monitor.** Ask about assignments, quizzes, and tests. Give encouragement, check completed homework, and make yourself available for questions and concerns.
8. **Set a good example.** Do your kids ever see you diligently balancing your budget or reading a book? Kids are more likely to follow their parents' examples than their advice.
9. **Praise their work and efforts.** Post an aced test or art project on the refrigerator. Mention academic achievements to relatives.
10. **If there are continuing problems with homework, please get help.** Talk about it with your child's teacher. There may be another reason that is impacting on your child's ability to engage in the homework.