DRUMMOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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SEWSLETTER SO. IV - Thursday 29/06/2013

CALENDAR

JUNE

Fri 28th: End of Term 2 – 2.30pm Finish

JULY

8-12 July: Kyneton Toyota Swimming Program

Tue 16th: First Day of Term 3

Tue 16th: Gr 6 Dinner meeting at DPS 2.20-3.20pm

All Welcome

Mon 22nd: School Council Meeting 6.30pm

Wed 24th: Parent –Teacher interviews after 1.00pm.

Students to attend.

AUGUST

PUPIL FREE DAYS:

Mon 15th July, Wed 20th Nov, Fri 6th Dec

	TERM DATES 2013
TERM 1	30 th Jan – 28 th Mar
TERM 2	16 th Apr – 28 th Jun
TERM 3	16 th Jul – 20 th Sep
TERM 4	7 th Oct – 20 Dec

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Reports are being distributed tomorrow. Please note as the new Australian Curriculum subjects are introduced and taught in AusVELS, your child will receive an achievement grade only at the end of this first semester and an achievement grade as well as a representation of six months progress will not occur until the end of the year.

Please take the time to sit with your child and discuss this very extensive report and assist your child in setting learning goals for terms 3 & 4.

Also, you will received a Parent/Teacher/ Student interview time next term and therefore will need to have set aside Wednesday 24th July for Parent /Teacher/Student interviews. There are no formal classes in the afternoon so as to allow both the child and

parents to attend the P/T/S interview at a pre-arranged time.

Our Winter Raffle raised \$2,100 covering costs for the Grade 6 Dinner. Thank you everyone who supported the raffle. Well done and great job by the Grade 6 parent committee. Sincere thanks to all those parents.

As I look back on Term 2, I see many, many highlights. Highlights such as; the real learning that has occurred across the school, the strong partnerships that are well established between the students and their teachers, the 3/4 camp, the 5/6 camp, Annex camp, Somers Camp, kitchen/garden sessions, XC at Goldfields, Melbourne Excursion, sustainability units, and Major Games Day to name but a few.

Based on those highlights, the excellent reports which I have read and much, much, more I would therefore like to acknowledge the outstanding work of the staff and the excellent partnerships which are in place between home and school.

A reminder that term three starts on Tuesday 16th July, as Monday is a Pupil Free Day. All the staff are involved in Professional Development on the Explicit Teaching of Writing. We are combining with the local Secondary College and other local primary schools.

Have a great holiday everyone.

Peter Burke

Important news! School Kids Bonus

The second installment of the Schoolkids Bonus for 2013 will be paid by Centrelink from **4 to 17 July**. Eligible families who have not updated their child's education details with Centrelink have until 29 June to do so to ensure they receive the correct payment in July. Eligible families who have updated their child's education details with Centrelink do not have to do anything. If you haven't received your payment by 18 July, but think you're eligible, please contact Centrelink to discuss your personal circumstances.

If you receive Family Tax Benefit as a lump sum the Schoolkids Bonus will be paid after your Family Tax Benefit claim is assessed

Parent -Teacher- Child Interviews

Parent, Student and Teacher interviews are being held on <u>Wednesday July 24th between 1.15pm</u> and 5.15pm.

Interview times will be distributed by Meg in week 1 of term 3. If your time does not suit, please come in to see Meg so an alternate arrangement can be made.

Children will be dismissed at 1.00pm, however they will be required to attend the interview with their parent/s during the afternoon.



Thank you to all those parents who have been returning library books.

For your convenience, we have created a short cut to our library catalogue on the desk top of the library computer. This can be accessed to find the Author and Titles of our fiction library.



Jock assisting Kyah with the ricer



Queenie adding egg to Jock & Sammy's gnocchi

COOKING

Our children really enjoyed making gnocchi with Jock and Sammy and certainly enjoyed eating it. Many thanks to jock and Sammy for being so generous with their time and to Sammy for allowing us to share his yummy homemade Italian tomato sauce, that complimented the gnocchi so well.



Archie & Taylor enjoying the delicious gnocchi

As are Damon and Georgia



"WINTER COMFORT HAMPER" FUNDRAISER For Grade 6 Dinner

Congratulations to the following Raffle Winners:

1st Lillian Blanch

2nd Sandra Melen

3rd Indigo (1W)

4th Mrs. Gunn

5th Deanne Greenwood

6th Ebony (34P)

7th Jonas Paar

8th Tim

9th Ava Nance

Farewell to Queenie

I would like to take this opportunity to say farewell to Queenie, Brigid and Jock. It has been lovely having you as part of our school community for the term. We hope Queenie has had a valuable experience and enjoys settling back into life at Albert Park. We will miss you and hope you can visit us from time to time.

A big thank you to everyone who contributed in many ways to the success of this fundraiser - over \$2,100 - led by our team of Michelle, Claire, Monique & Shane and Mariah.

Tabloid Event

Sunny and Rio's cousins from N.Z., River and Tasman enjoyed their stay at Drummond last week.



River

Recycling Project



Georgia presenting her Recycling project model



Damon enjoying elastics with Georgia and Tayor

Long Service Leave

Dianne will be on long service leave for week1 of term 3 and Meg will be replacing her.