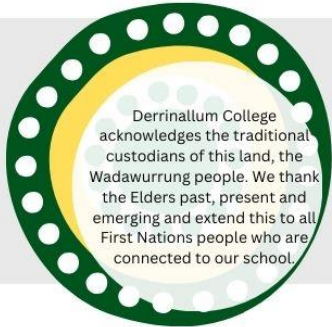


Derrinallum P-12 College



Edition 3 - February 15th, 2024



Try your best
Help others succeed
Respect our school



CARNIVAL SUCCESS

Students enjoyed a highly successful Swimming Carnival at the Lismore pool.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



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OH MY GOSH! After one of our most successful swimming carnivals ever, I am just bursting with pride! To see what our amazing students and staff are capable of was just terrific! It was not only our super fish that I was proud of but also the students who filled positions on relay teams, swam in the buddy races, helped with jobs, and cheered their teammates on. Every single staff member was busy supporting students and helping Miss O'Brien and Mrs Henderson contribute to the success. There was an unmistakable vibe at the pool. You'll see Lorelai's report about the day further on with some results and plenty of photos.

Welcome!

We are very excited to welcome Ms Polly Smith to our team for the remainder of Term 1. It's great to have her here! Ms. Smith will be team teaching with Ms Hunger in the 3/4 room until Ms. Grills Returns next term. I have checked in with the 3/4 class and Ms Smith has received rave reviews so far. Even being compared to Ms Honey from the novel, *Matilda*. Thank you to Ms Hunger and Ms Moloney for their wonderful recruiting!

Bus travel

Just a reminder to families that Mrs Marks is currently on leave and if you have messages about bus travel you need to contact the school directly to notify us. You can do this by calling the office or leaving a note in your child's diary. If we don't have notifications of change Also, it is expected that students display positive behaviour whilst on the bus. Negative interactions with other students and or the bus driver may result in students not being able to access the bus for a set time.

Annual Implementation Plan:

This week I tidied up the last of the annual Implementation Plan and shared the details with staff. We have two areas of focus in 2024. Improving teaching practice through effective implementation of our Instructional Model and implementing the Schoolwide Positive Behaviour Supports framework. Work in these areas has already begun and we feel good about what we can achieve for the students in these spaces. Tomorrow's staff training is especially relevant and relates strongly to both areas.

Change in Canteen Days:

From next week Mrs. Torney will be changing the canteen days to Monday for snacks, Tuesday and Fridays for lunches as we have more students and staff attend on a Tuesday.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL



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Bush fire ratings:

You may have seen in the news this week that the fire ratings resulted in the closure of several schools around the state. This happens for schools that are on the bushfire register when there is a Catastrophic day fire danger rating. This includes us but only when there is a catastrophic rating in the South West fire district. In the event this happens families will be notified the day before the rating. The school will be completely closed and all bus services will be canceled. It is important to know that even if the rating changes once the school has been closed it will remain closed for the day. This is to prevent confusion but don't worry we will keep you notified.

Flip Fitzy

This week we are kicking off our brand-new attendance reward system. Students who attend every day for two weeks have their names placed into a raffle. The student who is drawn out gets to select a card from the board. Each card has a staff member on the back. No matter who they flip they get to pick from the prize table. If the student "Flips Fitzy" and my face is on the card they get the major prize of a Frank Green drink bottle. We will share this on Instagram which will make for a little bit of fun!

Good Luck Derri Gold!

This week when I was out in the yard Charlie informed me that Derri Gold is playing off in the grand final this weekend against Linton. Unfortunately, I am already committed to something on Sunday so I can't go and watch but I hope to hear great news about the game on Monday morning.

Hats

Just a reminder that all Primary students are required to wear a hat when in the yard. If for any reason your child's hat comes home please make sure you send it back so that they can play outside.

Exploring Virtual Connections

We always work hard to try to ensure we provide the best options for our VCE students and this is true especially this year being able to offer English, Literature, Sociology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Maths Methods, and Religion and Society all face-to-face as well as Philosophy, Psychology by virtual schools. However, with teacher shortages going to continue to be an issue in the future I am exploring virtual connections with other schools to ensure that our students don't miss out on any opportunities moving forward. I'll keep you posted on what this means for Derrinallum.

Before I sign off an extra special good luck to Ms. Moloney who is running a half marathon this weekend to raise awareness for Breast Cancer! What an amazing thing to do!



Caitlyn Fitzgerald- Principal

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RESPECT OUR SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

NORTH YARD



Delivery

You can pick up a copy of our newsletter at the following locations:

- the Library
- the Post Office
- Foodworks
- Derri Take Away

Delivering the newsletter this week is Mrs Johnstone!



It's been wonderful to see the students engaging with each other and staff positively in the yard. Keep it up!



Fletcher



Mia



Benjamin




Bray

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

All About Me

A portrait of me



My name is:
Sharni Moloney

I am 27 years old.

My pet



Normie


I live in...

Terang

The 3 best things about Derrinallum College

- THE STUDENTS!
- The staff
- Incursions & excursions

My favourites

-  **AFL team**
Carlton - the greatest team of all!
- Food:**
Pasta, pasta & pasta
- Keeping healthy:**
Pilates & camping



7/8 STEM

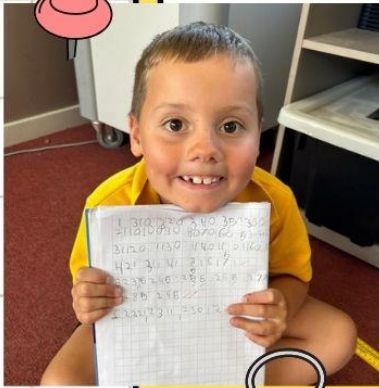
The 7/8 STEM class dived into the world of engineering recently. Engineers are professional problem solvers and use the Design Thinking Process to firstly “Ask and Empathise” when presented with a problem. The class is challenged to build a prosthetic leg that can be worn to complete an obstacle course, so they met with former teacher Rod Rantall to hear all about his experience as an amputee and ask what makes for a good prosthetic.



Student-free day

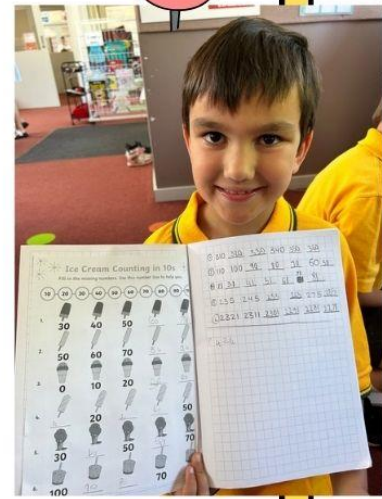
Friday 16 Feb

GRADE 2 MATHS



NUMERACY

In numeracy this week we have started our skip counting journey! We have been reviewing our 10s, and students were looking for a challenge. All the students gave maths a good crack this week, they should all be proud of their achievements!



NEXT WEEK

Students are going to be upping the anti with their 2s and 3s and continuing their number of the day antics. Keep an eye out on seesaw for more photos to come!

STUDENT ACTIVITIES SWIMMING CARNIVAL



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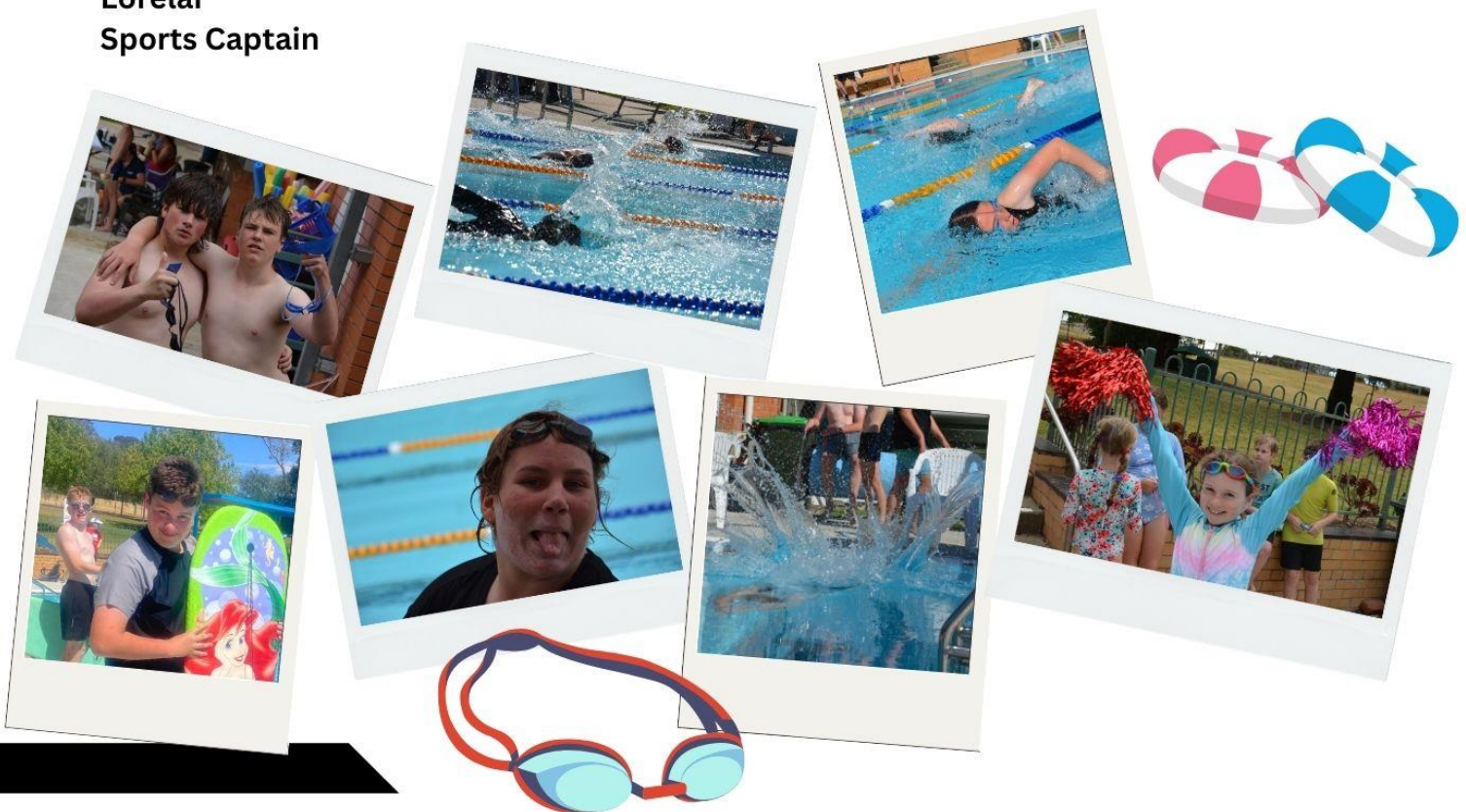
On Tuesday Derrinallum held the annual school swimming sports. Throughout the day students were able to participate in individual races and relays. We had several records broken on the day by Patrick, Eddie, and Jake across multiple strokes. Congratulations to the age group champions Matilda and Eddie for junior primary, Lexi and Patrick for senior primary, Natasha and Bailey for junior secondary, myself and Jake for Senior secondary, and Banogill Larra, the winning house.

As well as congratulations to

- the best-dressed winners Grace and Jackson.
- Ripley and Chris for the try your best award,
- Seth and myself for helping others succeed,
- and Neave and Wednesday for respecting our school.

Special mention to the Prep-2s who swam amazingly in the buddy races and the secondary students who helped out. Great job to everyone who got involved in the day and a huge thanks to the parents and staff who made it possible!

Lorelai
Sports Captain



SWIMMING CHAMPIONS



Eddie



Matilda



Lexie



Patrick



Natasha



Bailey



Jake



Lovelai

STUDENT ACTIVITIES SWIMMING CARNIVAL



SHOUT OUTS!



We've noticed and appreciated some super efforts!

CATHY B
Volunteering at the swimming carnival all day!

MRS WESTMORELAND
Making herself available for the swimming carnival

MRS NIBLETT
WORKING HARD TO SECURE WORKPLACEMENT FOR OUR STUDENTS



MS CODY-DAVIS
SWIMMING IN THE STAFF RELAY ON A CRT DAY

Emily & Scarlett

TAKING AMAZING PHOTOS AT THE CARNIVAL

Lorelai

Doing an excellent job as Sports Captain

Sim G, Sally T, Jess N & Charlene K
Swimming in the parent team

Ms. Smith
AGREEING TO CRT WITH US FOR THE REST OF TERM

ERIN & LIONEL

Supporting our secondary students

MISS O'BRIEN

For organising an outstanding swimming carnival!

MRS HENDERSON, MR GREEN & MS WIFFEN

For all their help and support setting up the swimming carnival

COMMUNITY NOTICES



ANZ HOT SHOTS tennis

WEDNESDAY
14TH
February

Start @ 4.00 pm
Derrinallum
Rec Reserve

6 WEEKS
GOLD
COIN / WEEK
kids will be moved to the
group that best suits their
skill level

FUN, FRIENDLY &
WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT

GREAT INTRODUCTION TO
TENNIS & CONTINUING TO
STRENGTHEN
THEIR SKILLS

Small groups
of 4, delivering
a more
personalised
program.

AGES 3-12 YEARS

Please bring
along a drink
bottle & a hat

TO REGISTER PLEASE CONTACT
SIMONE. 0417114624
LEANNE 0400030432

Bulb
FUNDRAISER

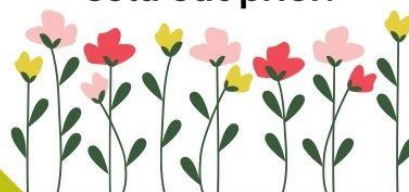
We are fundraising through Tesselaar
for improvements to the North Yard.

Go online to place your order at:

www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/DERRCOLL

Campaign end date: 22/3/2024

Products are available to order until this date unless
sold out prior.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

CALENDAR



Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7
Monday 19th February	Monday 26th February	Monday 4th March	Monday 11th March Labour Day Public holiday
Tuesday 20th February	Tuesday 27th February	Tuesday 5th March VPC/VM Field Days Excursion	Tuesday 12th March MWD Triathlon
Wednesday 21th February School Council	Wednesday 28th February Learning Conversations	Wednesday 6th March	Wednesday 13th March NAPLAN starts
Thursday 22nd February	Thursday 29th February	Thursday 7th March	Thursday 14th March
Friday 23rd February MWD Swimming	Friday 1st March	Friday 8th March Principal Area Forum SALT careers incursion	Friday 15th March Careers Expo yrs 9-12