



THE SEAGULL

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Office Hours - 8:30am to 4:00pm - Monday to Thursday
9:00am to 3.30pm - Friday

<u>CALENDAR – Week ahead</u>	Receive our The Seagull by email: paynesville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
<u>TERM 1</u> <i>Mon 11th Feb - Assembly 9:00am</i> <i>Mon 11th Feb – Swim Trials 4:30pm</i> <i>Wed 13th Feb – Meet the teacher</i> <i>Thur 14th Feb – Meet the teacher</i>	<u>Term Dates 2019</u> <i>Term 1: January 29th to April 5th</i> <i>Term 2: April 23rd to June 28th</i> <i>Term 3: July 16th to September 20th</i> <i>Term 4: October 7th to December 20th.</i>
	<u>PUBLIC HOLIDAYS TERM 1</u> Monday March 11 th – Labour Day

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We have had a fantastic week at Paynesville Primary School as students settle well into their new classrooms. Students are learning their new classroom routines, as I have been visiting classrooms this week; it is great to see students filling out their home reading diaries and handing in their homework. Teachers have been busy getting to know their students as individuals and learners. Teachers are looking forward to meeting parents at our Meet the Teacher afternoons on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th February. Please make an appointment online if you would like to speak with your child’s class teacher about your child. Details on how to make a booking are provided in this newsletter.



CENTRAL DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL TRIALS

A reminder to students in Grades 3-6 that our swimming trials will be held at the Bairnsdale Outdoor Pool on Monday 11th February. Apologies for the two times in last week's newsletter. Students may arrive from 4:30pm for a prompt 5:00pm start. Students can try out for freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly.

Students will need to pay the \$4.50 entry to the Bairnsdale Outdoor Pool on entry.

The District Swimming Carnival will be held on Thursday 21st February. Notices will be sent if your child is selected.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Students have the opportunity to learn a musical instrument at PPS. Vacancies exist for the following: Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Bass Guitar, Drums, Keyboard & Guitar. Please note lessons on keyboard and guitar take place on Thursday afternoons from 4pm. Contact our music teacher Gerry Ciavarella on 0409142240 if you have any questions.



MUD KITCHEN

The Men's Shed has been busy again completing a project for Paynesville Primary School students. On Thursday this week Neil Sach (President) and Kevin Svenson (committee member) delivered a mud kitchen to our garden. Junior school students will have a lot of fun in this area once it is up and running. Many thanks to Laura Owen initiating, coordinating and purchasing gear to make this project happen!



GARDEN UPDATE

We are very happy to have two very enthusiastic families who have volunteered to look after our school garden. Austin and his family cared for our school chickens and garden over the holidays, thank you very much for all your hard work. Ingrid Jennings and Laura Owen are taking the lead with our garden this year and have lots of amazing ideas. Please contact either Ingrid, Laura or the school office if you would like to help out, there is always plenty to do in a garden!

STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to our Student Council Representatives for Term One. The Student Council plays an important role in promoting Student Voice in our school. Classes hold regular meetings where students discuss the activities and events they would like to see happening in our school. As a Student Council we discuss these ideas and work to implement them.

Our Student Councillors for Term 1 are:

Xavier Wright-Smith, Emily Melrose, Dixie Clack, Harry Bramhall, Mitchell Roberts, Ebony Oldfield, Zane Smith, Maddie Goranitis

PARENTS AND FRIENDS 2019

Bec Pyke, wonder Mum, continues to do an amazing job leading our Parents and Friends Group. The role of this group is to organise fundraising and special events for our students. Last year the Parents and Friends organised raffles, the disco, our Family Movie Night and special events for worthy causes such as Red Nose Day and the Cancer Council just to name a couple!

If you are interested in helping out our Parents and Friends group please let Bec or the school office know. We would love to hear from you. This term our major project is the Easter Raffle which will take place on the last day of the term. We would love your help with this project if you are able.

PREP BUDDIES

Our Grade Prep and Grade 6 Buddy Program is going very well. It is lovely to see these students connecting as the Grade 6's support our Prep students throughout their first year of school.





MEET THE TEACHER

On Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th February we will hold 'Meet the Teacher' afternoons. This is an opportunity for parents to connect and communicate with your child's teacher for 2019. If these times do not work for you and you would like to schedule an alternative time, please contact your child's classroom teacher to arrange another time.

BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN AT: <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=3nkwr>

The screenshot shows the 'School event code' section with the code '3nkwr' and a 'Go' button. Step 1 is 'Enter your details' with a person icon. Step 2 is 'Choose teachers' with a dropdown menu icon. Step 3 is 'Choose times' with a calendar icon and time slots 4:30, 4:40, and 4:50.



When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.



PAYNESVILLE LIONS CLUB

The Paynesville Lions Club invites all members of the Paynesville community to our monthly market this **Sunday 10th February**

The event is a well established market held on Gilsenan Reserve on the second Sunday of the month from 8.00am to 1.00pm

A host of stalls including :- Household Items, Fresh Produce, Arts and Crafts, Cakes, Tools, Plants, Hot Foods and much more.

New stallholders are welcome.

To book a stall Ph **0400 327 526**



EAST GIPPSLAND UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

JUNIOR SOCCER TRYOUT DATES

BOYS 14,15th Feb @ HOWITT PARK
U12 register 5pm, trials from 5.30.
U14 register 6pm, trials from 6.30.
U16 register 7pm, trials from 7.30.

GIRLS 12,14 Feb @ WEST BAIRNSDALE OVAL
U13 register 4.45 pm, trials from 5.00.
U16 register 4.45 pm, trials from 5.00.

REMINDER

Paynesville Sea Scout Joeys will recommence on Monday 11th February.

Hope to see you there..

Drought assistance information

We have had many queries lately in relation to the drought assistance packages that are now available. East Gippsland has been declared a drought affected area and this has led to the creation of these packages.

Paynesville Primary School families have the ability to access both packages.

OPTION 1 – UNIFORM & SCHOOL TEXTBOOK ASSISTANCE

OPTION 2 – CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS (*Blue form sent home with last week's newsletter*)

Families are eligible for both packages and do not require a health care card or other benefit to apply.

If families have any questions or would like further information, please speak with Lauren or Jenny in the office. Jenny is available Monday to Thursday and Lauren is available on Wednesday and Friday's.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors; excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum. CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child. The annual CSEF amount per student is: \$125 for primary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at Paynesville PS in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **New student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- **Changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Please see the office if you have any questions regarding this application process.

Paynesville PS Calendar TERM 1

Please note any changes to the calendar have been highlighted in **RED**.

TERM 1 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u> Swim Trials 4:30pm		Meet the teacher 3:45pm 6:00pm	Meet the teacher 3:45pm to 5:00pm		
<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u>	Hawthorn Football Clinic	Open Water Experience School Council Finance 5:15pm School Council meeting 6:15pm	Open Water Experience District Swimming Sports		
<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>1st March</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u>					
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>
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<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
	<u>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</u> <u>SCHOOL CLOSED</u>					
<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u>		School Council Finance 5:15pm School Council AGM 6:15pm	Prep, Gr1 & Gr2 Forge Theatre excursion		
<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u>					

TOM CURTAIN

Speak Up TOUR

Multiple **Golden Guitar** winner and horseman extraordinaire **Tom Curtain** will be performing his **Katherine Outback Experience** show of real horse training and working dog demonstrations followed by a live music performance.



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BAIRNSDALE CITY OVAL
FRIDAY 15TH FEB- 6PM
GO ONLINE TO GET BBQ & BAR AVAILABLE
NO BYO

GO ONLINE TO GET
YOUR TICKETS!

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