



## THE SEAGULL

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

<p><b><u>CALENDAR – Week ahead</u></b></p>	<p>Receive our The Seagull by email:  <a href="mailto:paynesville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au">paynesville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</a></p>
<p><b><u>TERM 1</u></b>  <i>Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Feb - Assembly 9:00am</i>  <i>Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Feb – 5/6 Lawn Bowls</i>  <i>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Mar – 5/6 Lawn Bowls</i>  <i>Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Mar – Relay for Life</i></p> <p><b>PLEASE NOTE THE PUPIL FREE DAY THAT WAS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 26<sup>th</sup> HAS BEEN CANCELLED.</b></p>	<p><b>Term Dates 2019</b>  <i>Term 1: January 29<sup>th</sup> to April 5<sup>th</sup></i>  <i>Term 2: April 23<sup>rd</sup> to June 28<sup>th</sup></i>  <i>Term 3: July 16<sup>th</sup> to September 20<sup>th</sup></i>  <i>Term 4: October 7<sup>th</sup> to December 20<sup>th</sup>.</i></p> <p><b>PUBLIC HOLIDAYS &amp; PUPIL FREE DAYS</b>      Monday March 11<sup>th</sup> – Labour Day</p>

### Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We have had a very busy week at Paynesville Primary School. On Tuesday 40 of our students attended a Hawthorn Footy Clinic at the Bairnsdale City Oval. The students really enjoyed the footy activities and meeting the players. We really appreciate and are grateful to Hawthorn for coming out to Regional Victoria and connecting with our students.



## Open Water Swim Experience

Our Grade 3 to 6 students completed the Open Water Swim Experience at the Paynesville Foreshore run by Surf Lifesaving Victoria on Wednesday and Thursday. It was lovely to be out and about in our community and enjoying our lakes.



## Central District Swimming Carnival

On Thursday afternoon our swim team represented our school at the Central District Swimming Carnival. It was a beautiful afternoon and Paynesville Primary School students were complimented on their excellent behaviour and team spirit. We were told we were the most supportive school. Well done team!

The results are as below...

Miranda Cooper	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Backstroke
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	10 year old girls relay
Tom Roberts	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Freestyle
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Backstroke
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Butterfly
Nathan Tough	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	12 year old boys relay
Andrew Jeffries	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	12 year old boys relay
Pablo Oates	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	12 year old boys relay
Dylan Boucher	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	12 year old boys relay
Amy Tough	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	10 year old girls relay
Emma-Lee Howard	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	10 year old girls relay
Rahni Grant	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	10 year old girls relay



# You're invited 'Relay for Life'- Save the Date

Paynesville Primary School are participating in the Relay for Life this year. Cancer Council's Relay for Life raises funds for research, prevention and support services for those affected by cancer. So come along or donate to support our school team!

## Event

**When:** Friday 1st March

**Where:** Paynesville Primary School (Oval)

**Time:** 1:30-3:10pm



**Description:** Purple & yellow dress up day, gold coin donation. Students are going to walk, jog or run laps of the oval to raise money for cancer research. Each student will need to find a sponsor/s to donate money for each lap completed. You could donate \$1 a lap or 20 cents a lap, every bit helps!

## Would you like to visit China in 2019?

### Information Evening Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm in School Library.

This year is the fourth time Paynesville Primary School students, parents and staff will travel to China. While we are there we visit the modern city of 28 million people that is Shanghai, we visit Suzhou, Venice of the East with its beautiful canals, laneways and markets. We visit Changshu where we meet up with our friends at our sister school. We travel by overnight sleeper train to Beijing where we visit the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square and the Great Wall of China.

There are many wonderful sights and sounds – but the highlight for me is meeting up with our Chinese sister school. The relationships we have developed are very special and there are many families in our school who remain close friends with Chinese families they have hosted when they visited us.

During the 10 day trip we stay in motels and eat out at local restaurants. It is a busy schedule – but China is a busy place. The history, the culture, the sights and the sounds are amazing.

Parents must accompany their child(ren). This trip is mainly for Grade 5 and 6 students – but families decide on whether their child(ren) are ready for the adventure.

We travel in the September school holidays. The cost of flights will be **approximately** \$1200 return and the cost of in country accommodation, meals, travel (coach and train) and sight seeing is **approximately** \$1000.

If you would like to hear more we are holding an information evening on Monday March 6th at 6:00pm in the Library.

## **Carpark Safety**

As we all know our school car park can get very busy before and after school. We are asking families to ensure that they are accompanying children to and from the car if they choose to park in the School Car park. We are very conscious of the fact that students can be smaller than the vehicles windows and drivers may not be able to always see if children are behind cars / 4wd's when reversing.

## **School Exclusions due to illnesses**

Whilst we encourage students to have minimal absences, sometimes students develop illnesses that have certain guidelines attached. These exclusions are based on advice from Department of Health Victoria. A list of exclusions is available at <https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/infectious-diseases/school-exclusion/school-exclusion-table>

The most common illnesses that affect school students are;

**Chicken Pox – Exclude patient** until all blisters have dried. This is usually at least 5 days after the rash appears in unimmunised children, but may be less in previously immunised children **Exclusion period for contacts** (e.g. siblings or parents). Any child with an immune deficiency (for example, leukaemia) or receiving chemotherapy should be excluded for their own protection. Otherwise not excluded

**Diarrhoea – Exclude patient** until there has not been a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. **Exclusion period for contacts** (eg:siblings or parents). Not excluded

We just ask that families be mindful of ill children and that to follow their doctors advice.

## **Medications at School.**

If your child requires medication during school hours, parents/guardians are required to lodge the medication at the office and sign a “medication administration authority”.



## **HANDYMAN CORNER**

From time to time we have little jobs that need fixing at school and we don't always have the expertise. If you are able to help out in anyway could you please let the office know.

Helpers will require a Working with Children Card. These can be applied for at <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/> or provide a copy to the office.

# 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>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> March</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u>	5/6 Lawn Bowls			5/6 Lawn Bowls Relay for Life	
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u>		5/6 Lawn Bowls China Information evening 6:00pm		District Lawn Bowls	
<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
	<u>PUBLIC HOLIDAY 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>					
<u>31</u>	<u>APRIL 1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
	<u>ASSEMBLY 9:00am</u> Easter Raffle Drawn				Term 1 ends	



# Sunset Cove Upgrade

Sunset Cove was identified as a key Precinct Area within the Paynesville Foreshore Management Plan, adopted in 2017 following significant consultation with the Paynesville community.

The Sunset Cove Precinct which is on a significant pedestrian route currently consists of an aging playground, semi formalised car park, picnic/shelter/BBQ amenities and a toilet block. The 2017 Paynesville Foreshore Management Plan consultation identified a number of areas that could be enhanced:

- Improvements to park and playground equipment, open space, and other amenities including shade
- Pathway connection improvements between the foreshore and the township precinct, and existing Newlands Backwater
- The opportunity to enhance the connection between the shore area and the water
- The provision of a restructured & defined carpark to reduce pedestrian and vehicle conflict, and improve manoeuvrability and usability

In order to reaffirm the community's aspirations for the precinct, council officers met with key stakeholder groups in January 2019 to review the draft Plan. We are now asking you to help us shape the Precinct by providing feedback on the draft Plan and your preferred equipment options to feature in the park.



**Have your say by completing the short survey on Your Say East Gippsland:**

<https://yoursay.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au/sunset-cove-upgrade>

Alternatively, hard copy surveys and documents are available at Council's Service Centres. Completed surveys must be received by the closing date back to the Paynesville Community Centre or in the post. Please allow up to five (5) days for postal delivery.

**The feedback process concludes at 5.00pm, 4 March 2019.**



## Parenting is one of the most important jobs we do ..... sometimes it isn't easy!

Do you have children aged between 2 and 12 years?

Would you like to:

- Learn about how you can reduce your child's challenging behaviours
- Have strategies to increase the behaviours you would like to see
- Build your child's self-esteem and positive social skills
- Learn how to give your child the attention they need in positive and fun ways
- Introduce household rules that support positive behaviour and relationships
- Learn from and with other parents who want these things too

**Yes! Then the FREE 'Incredible Years' Parenting Program is for you!**

### What is The Incredible Years Parenting Program?

- An evidence based, proven program that strengthens parenting skills and confidence and improves children's social and emotional behaviour
- A safe, friendly environment
- Facilitated by experienced Early Childhood Educators and Family Support Workers
- A series of 14 weekly sessions that run for 2.5 hours each

**WHERE:** Eagle Point Primary School, 43 School Road Eagle Point, 3878

**STARTING:** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> of March 2019

**TIME:** 9.30 to 12 noon

**This program is FREE! Refreshments provided  
Free supervised children's activities for younger siblings**

For more  
information  
or to  
register  
**PLEASE SEE  
OVERPAGE**



Limited  
places  
Register  
**TODAY!**



**Uniting**



*The Incredible Years Program is supported by Communities for Children East Gippsland. The Communities for Children program is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services and is facilitated in East Gippsland by Unitine Gippsland (previously UnitineCare Gippsland)*



**To find out more or register in the  
Incredible Years Program...**

The friendly facilitators will be at Eagle Point Primary School in the Open Learning Centre so you can drop in and have a chat about the program or register:

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**from 9 to 10.30am**

Come in and say hi to Cathy and Jo

**Be quick, register your interest in **The Incredible Years Program**  
today as places are limited!!**

You can also enquire or register by emailing Cathy on  
[cathryn.wade@savethechildren.org.au](mailto:cathryn.wade@savethechildren.org.au)

Or mobile

**0437 839 304**



**Nagle College**  
Bairnsdale

**Closing date for Scholarships: 1 March**

Scholarship Applications for the 2020 Academic Year will close on Friday 1 March, 2019. Scholarships are offered across all year levels in the following categories: Academic Excellence, The Arts and Sport.

For more information or to apply for a scholarship please visit:  
[www.nagle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/scholarships](http://www.nagle.vic.edu.au/enrolment/scholarships)

