



ISSUE 30
November 27th, 2020

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

DATES TO REMEMBER:

DECEMBER

Wed 2nd – School Council Meeting
Mon 7th – Prep Graduation (online)
Thurs 10th – Grade 6 Sailing
Fri 11th – Grade 6 Sailing

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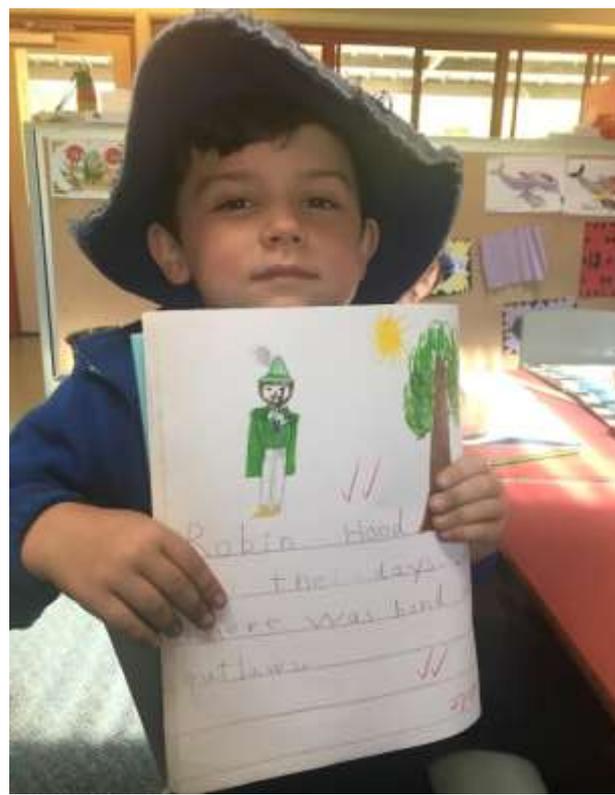
Mon 14th – Grade 6 Graduation Lunch
Tues 15th – Grade 6 Prizegiving
Wed 16th – Last day for students
Thurs 17th and Fri 18th – Pupil Free Days

**From Monday 30th November our school will resume to normal drop off and pick up times.
All Students will attend from 9:00am to 3:30pm.
Parents and Carers will also be allowed to enter the school from this date.**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What a lovely week we have had as we race into December and all the exciting things we look forward to at this time of year. The Grade 1/2 students have been drawing beautiful Christmas sketches on their advent calendars this week in preparation for the advent season. This week we enjoyed the final of the Paynesville's Got Talent competition, more information later in the newsletter. In other exciting news our school sandpit upgrade began, made possible by funds from the Bendigo Bank, Paynesville. On Friday, during lunchtime, the teachers battled it out against the Grade 6 students in basketball.

This term our Grade 1/2 students have focussed on the theme 'Under the Sea'. They have all learnt so much about marine life and everyone has enjoyed this topic. I just had to share Charlotte's outstanding diorama, I totally love it! I enjoyed some time in the Prep room this week and Zealan showed me his favourite page in his writing book, well done Zealan this is so impressive.



Paynesville's Got Talent

On Monday this week we were treated to a fantastic concert with the final of Paynesville's Got Talent. The competition has run for the past few weeks and was organised and run by our Grade 6 students. Competition to reach the final was fierce and it was an accomplishment to make the semi finals and finals. All in all we had more than 20 acts and it was wonderful see our students perform with confidence and skill. Due to COVID restrictions there was no singing, just lipsyncing. Shout out to our audience of students who were very supportive of all our performers. Thanks very much to everyone who took part and special mention to judges; Judge Judy, Jude Will-Donte, Judge Sheldon and Judge Maurice and host Isabee Hutson. I think you did an amazing job!

The final results were:

Highly Commended - Slater (Chicken Dance)

Katie (Let it Go, Frozen)

3rd Place

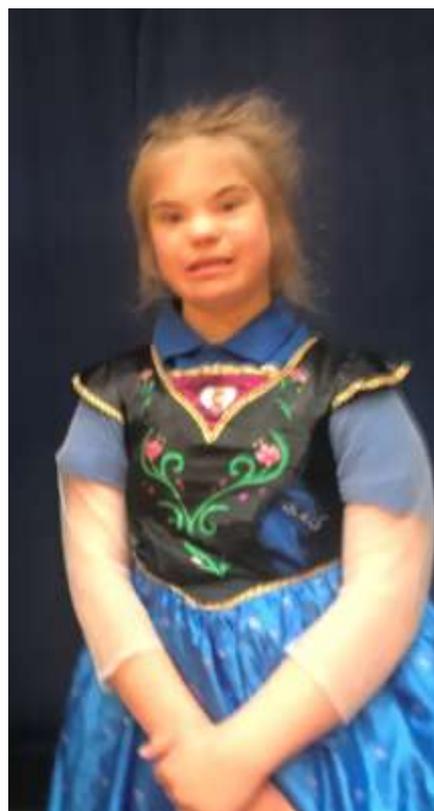
Will (Savage Love)

2nd Place

Abbey and Emily (Conga)

1st Place

Sara, Rahni, Amy with Mr Floyd special guest appearance (All the Single Ladies)



University of NSW - ICAS Assessments

Earlier this term a number of students took part in the UNSW ICAS online assessments. ICAS assessments are designed to recognise academic excellence, students are assessed on their ability to apply classroom learning to new contexts using higher order thinking and problem-solving skills. The results are back and I am very excited to share these results with you. Congratulations to all students who received an award.

English	Angus McCaskill	Distinction	Maths	Charlotte D'Amore	Distinction
	Charlotte D'Amore	Credit		Maddison Kelly	Credit
	Bonnie McCaskill	Merit		Tom Roberts	Credit
				Angus McCaskill	Merit
Spelling Bee	Charlotte D'Amore	Credit	Science	Charlotte D'Amore	Credit
	Angus McCaskill	Credit		Angus McCaskill	Credit
	Liam Carmichael	Credit			
	Harrison Bramhall	Credit			

Bendigo Bank Sandpit Upgrade

I am very excited to announce that Paynesville Primary School have been the recipients of a \$25000 community grant from the Bendigo Community Bank, Paynesville. We submitted an application to upgrade our sandpit and we were successful for the full amount! Our new sandpit will be bigger and will include a shed to store all our sandpit play equipment, a water pump and lots of interesting borders including rocks, logs, plants and a small mound. Excitement began to build this week when the works began, the sand pile was so popular we had at least a third of the school playing on it! We are obviously very grateful to the Bendigo Bank, Paynesville for their generous donation and we are looking forward to the works being completed before school begins next year.



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From the Art Room

This week in art, Dee focused on World Kindness Day, which was earlier this month. The students brainstormed the different ways that kindness could be displayed and created chalk displays in the courtyard to share their message. Check out Iley and Hopes' gorgeous robots, well done Grade 1/2 students they look very cool!



Transition

Next year's Grade 3/4 students working on visualizing. One partner read while the other drew their visualisation. Photos of everyone hard at work.

