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December 4th, 2020

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

9:00am to 3.30pm – Friday

DATES TO REMEMBER:

DECEMBER

Mon 7th Prep Graduation, 9am, School Hall

Tues 8th Grade 4/5 Lawn Bowls trials

Thu 10th Grade 6 Sailing

Fri 11th Grade 6 Sailing

Grade 4/5 Lawn Bowls trials

Mon 14th Grade 6 Graduation Lunch

Grade 6 Graduation evening, 6:00pm

Tues 15th Grade 6 Awards, 9am, School Hall

Grade 4/5 Lawn Bowls trials

Wed 16th Last day for students

Thurs 17th and Fri 18th – Pupil Free Days

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

On Monday this week we enjoyed our first whole school assembly since the end of term one. It was wonderful to be all back together and celebrating student achievements. We have all enjoyed welcoming our families back into the school, so nice to have parents visiting us in our classrooms and catching up with teachers. Unfortunately our parents are still not able to join us for assembly as indoor school events involving visitors are capped at 150 people.

We have a lot of exciting events coming up before the end of our school year. With the recent changes to the DET Operations Guide we will be able to have families attend both our Prep and Grade 6 Graduation ceremonies. The Prep Graduation ceremony will be held on Monday 7th December at 9am and the Grade 6 Graduation ceremony will take place on Monday 14th December at 6pm. We look forward to celebrating these special occasions with our students and their families.

Rotary Awards

Congratulations to Isabelle and Tom for completing their Rotary Award this year. This year presented some challenges but adjustments were able to be made to enable these students to complete the tasks. Highlights for Isabelle included learning new skills in cooking, learning how to play golf, volunteering at PJ's Childcare Paynesville and attending a school council meeting. Tom's highlights were learning how to read music, developing his skills in table tennis, volunteering at the Paynesville Neighbourhood Centre Child Care, and commemorating ANZAC Day in a driveway service. Well done for completing the award,



it is a significant achievement and involved a lot of hard work. Our thanks to Lorna Hawkey of the Mitchell River Rotary club for your commitment to providing this opportunity to the Grade 6 students of this area.

Hands Up to Change the Story - 16 Days of Activism

The students in Miss Bould's class have had their art turned into posters and a banner for our school to raise awareness for the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence campaign. Our Grade 5/6 students were also given T-shirts on Monday and they looked fantastic wearing them.



Bendigo Bank Sandpit

Upgrade

Our sandpit upgrade continues. We have been busy sourcing supplies and today we took delivery of four truckloads of sand. These piles of sand were very popular with our students! Here are some grade 1/2 students having a lot of fun together. The next steps in the project are to form a border, install a water pump and construct a shed for our sandpit equipment.



Grade 5/6 Writing

In writing our Grade 5/6 students have been using a writing matrix where students select a writing activity to complete. Bohdan has done a fantastic job this week, selecting to write a poem and learning to publish it on the iPad.

Flying through the starry night
filling the world to the brim with
fright, Giant wings and shiny
scales these scary beasts are in
so many tales, Giant teeth and
spiting flames, Flying faster than
so many planes. Sometimes
they're red and sometimes
they're blue so that is why I
believe I shrink that it's true.



Paynesville Op Shop

Our thanks to the Paynesville Op Shop who have donated almost \$7000 to our school for the purchase of outdoor table tennis tables and 2 '9 Square in the Air' games. We really appreciate their generosity.

Movember

This gorgeous photo missed out last week, so even though it is no longer Movember I've had to include it. Looking fantastic everyone!



Grade 6 Students vs Staff 2 Square

Well done to our Grade 6 students who took out the 2 Square competition today. It came down to a one on three to decide the winner and the students had the glory! I love this action shot!



2021 Grade 1/2 students

Last week in transition the Grade 1/2 students completed shape pictures in maths. Well done everyone they look very cool.





Please keep sending us your Book or Children's Week photos!

All 2020 book or children's week photographs received will receive a free CBCA 2020 bookmark and also, either a CBCA Pen, CBCA Lanyard or CBCA Badge.

To enter, please ensure your photos are sent to Reading for Kids Gippsland (RFKG) Facebook page, stating the child's name, book character and their school (optional).

For more details, inbox RFKG or contact Schoolworks Supplies, 147 Macleod Street, Bairnsdale, ph 51524086.

Supporting the charter of CBCA (Children's Book Council of Australia), the CBCA VI Branch website is a Victorian-centric resource for children's book information.

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