



ISSUE 20
July 22nd 2022

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

CALENDAR – The week ahead

TERM 3

Monday 25th July

- Assembly

Tuesday 26th July

Wednesday 27th July

- Wheels Day
- Grade 3/4 Softball Clinics

Thursday 28th July

Friday 29th July

- School Athletic Sports, Grade 2-6 - 9:30-3pm,
Junior School 11:30-1pm

Receive our newsletter by email, please send your request to: paynesville.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Term Dates 2022

Term 1: January 31st to April 8th

Term 2: April 26th to June 24th

Term 3: July 11th to September 16th

Term 4: October 3th to December 20th

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

29th August – Professional Practice Day (Pupil Free)

No Lunch Orders 5th July - 2nd August

Dear Parents and Carers

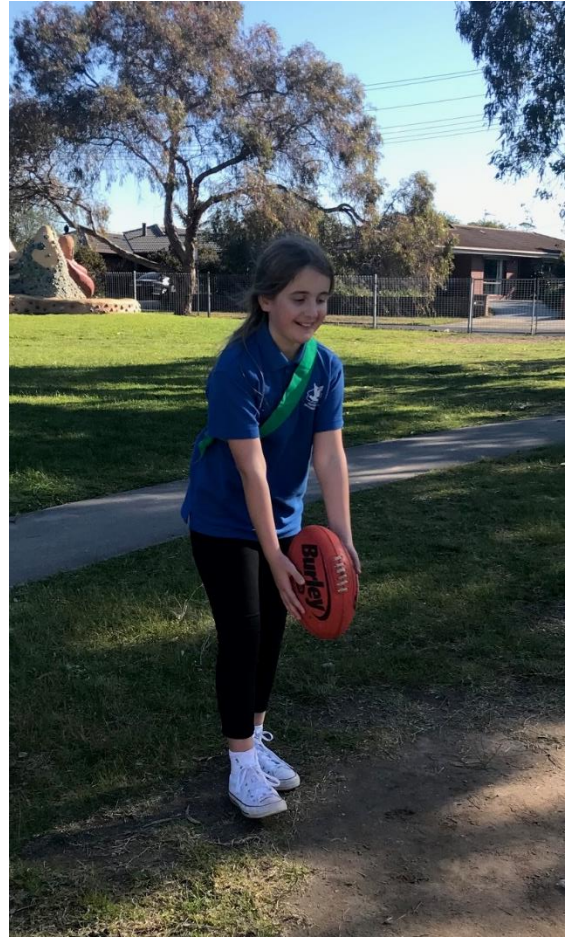
Another lovely week at school with lots of exciting activities. We enjoyed two incursions this week, one from Responsible Pet Ownership and another from the Science Guy. We welcomed back our Student Choice afternoons today, more about all of these events later in the newsletter. Next week is the last week of school lunch orders for 5 weeks as Ian and Jacqui are going on holiday.

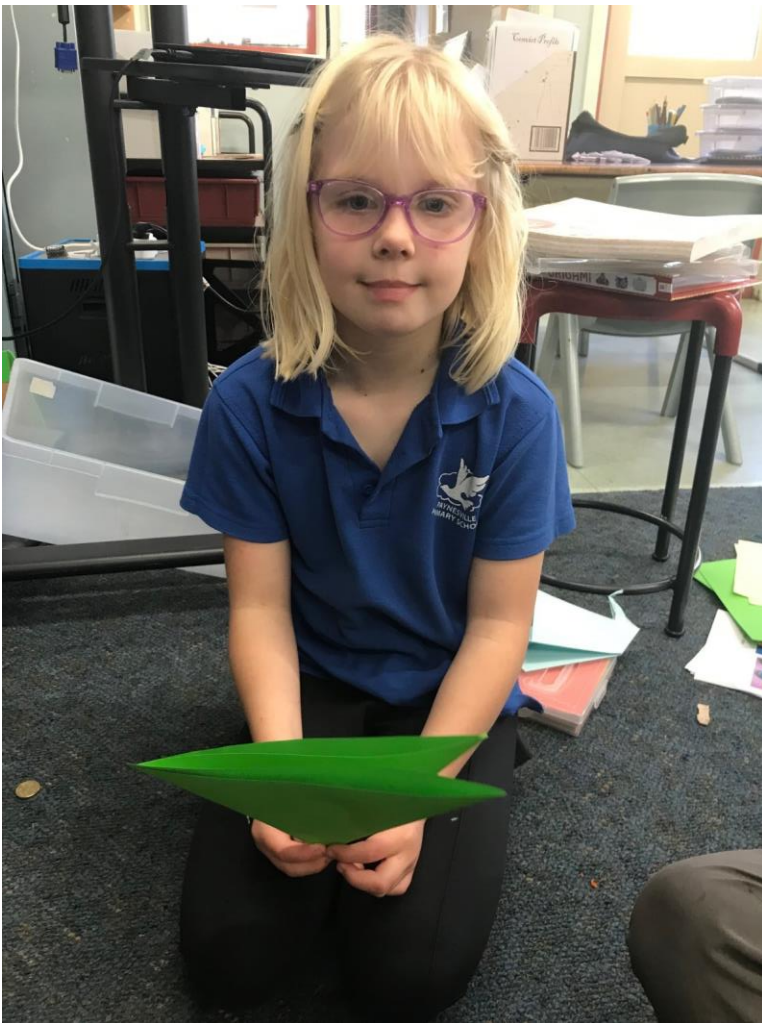
Below is a photo of our new Student Council for Semester 2. I would like to thank our outgoing student council for their great work, I really enjoyed working with you all. These students will receive their badges at Monday morning's assembly. Missing from the photo is Frankie from Prep.



Student Choice Afternoon

It was a very exciting afternoon today as we welcomed back our student choice afternoons. The staff provide a range of activities for our students to choose from. Options today included origami, ICT, mindfulness colouring, footy, soccer, parachute games, leatherwork, dancing and basketball. Many students joined the lines before the lunchtime was over to be sure of their spot in their favourite activity.





School Athletic Sports are next Friday. Students in Grades 2 - 6 will be competing from 9:30 - 3pm. Parents are welcome to attend. Junior school student's events will run between 11:30 and 1pm.

Immogen enjoying leatherwork and Angus acing it at basketball.



Science Guy Wows!!!

On Wednesday afternoon we enjoyed an amazing show by the Science Guy. He wowed us with feats of science in his action packed, fact filled performance. Highlights included bubbles, flames, elephant toothpaste and a vortex.



Responsible Pet Ownership

On Tuesday the junior school enjoyed a visit from Sweep, the dog from the Responsible Pet Ownership program. Sweep taught our junior students about safe and appropriate behaviour around dogs and how to look after a dog responsibly. Everyone enjoyed the session and it was a wonderful opportunity to spend time with Sweep at work.



Scholastic Book Fair 2022

Scholastic Book Fair is back!

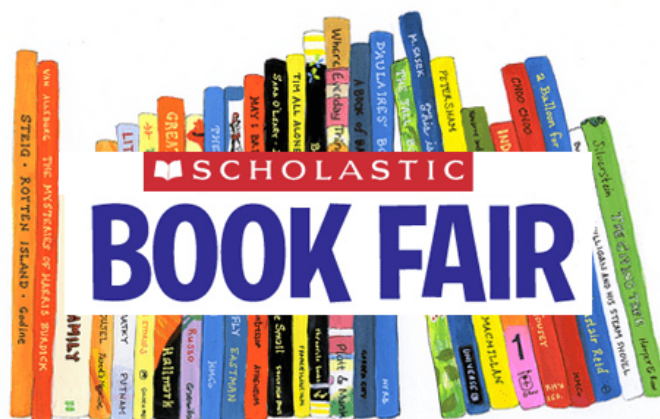
After a two year break due to covid, we are very pleased to let families know that Paynesville Primary School will again be hosting the Book Fair in early August.

The books will arrive late next week and the Book Fair held the following week.

Children will have a chance to browse the Book Fair with their classroom teacher so that everyone can enjoy looking at the books on offer.

There will be a chance for before school and after school purchasing for families wishing to assist their children with book choices. A timetable will be written up next week with days and times available to do so.

We hope that you will all be able to enjoy the experience.

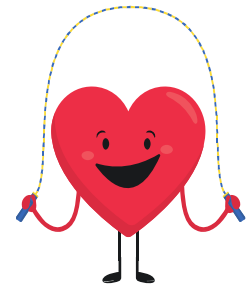


Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term at Paynesville Primary School!

Jump Rope for Heart is the Heart Foundation's primary school skipping challenge that helps kids move more, have fun and raise funds for lifesaving research and programs.

This year is the 40th year of Jump Rope for Heart! To celebrate this milestone, we've got an audacious goal to see our student Heart Heroes at Paynesville Primary School to log 40 hours of skipping throughout the program!



[Register your child online](#), so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started. www.jumprope.org.au/parents

Students will be skipping *before school and lunchtime, as well as during Student Choice on Friday afternoons in weeks 3-10 of term 3 and any other time dedicated by classroom teachers*, during this time you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on *Thursday 15th September*, this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!



Student Led Conferences

Parent / Teacher interviews will be held after school on Monday 1st August and Tuesday 2nd August. The interviews will be held online via WebEx. Please book your time using the School Interviews website below. The School Interviews website is the same website we would use for face to face interviews so it can be a little confusing, as it gives the classroom number of each teacher. After you have made your booking through the School Interviews website, your child's classroom teacher will send you a WebEx invite via email so you can connect online at the interview time.

Bookings will close on Friday 29th July.

At these interviews, parents will have the opportunity to ask any questions they may have about their child's learning. We please request that your child attend as well, as the students will be sharing samples of their learning with you.

If you would prefer a face to face interview at school please do not use the School Interviews website, instead contact your child's teacher directly to arrange a time.



BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN AT:

<http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/37xjf>



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.

University of NSW ICAS Assessments

We are delighted to inform you that Paynesville Primary School will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS Assessments this year. ICAS is developed by UNSW Global, a wholly owned subsidiary of UNSW Sydney, with over 35 years' experience in educational assessments.

ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition. Every student will receive a printed certificate and an online result report. Top performers will be eligible for medals and are invited to attend special award ceremonies to have their academic excellence publicly recognised.

We encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year. The assessments are suitable for students wishing to extend themselves academically and take up the personal challenge of competing in an international assessment. Your child will be presented with high-quality, expert-developed questions, allowing them to apply their learning without the need for prior study or revision.

ICAS Assessments are now online, a move that reflects a sector-wide transition to online assessments. This allows greater accessibility for students and faster delivery of results.

Learn more about ICAS here: <https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas>

These assessments are designed to recognise academic excellence for high potential students. The emphasis is on challenge and extension.

These exams are held at school, during school time and are an excellent opportunity for your child to experience a serious exam situation. Many students enjoy the academic challenge.

In 2021 students have the opportunity to participate in the following subjects:

	Sitting Dates	Cost
Science (Grade 2 -6 students)	Monday 22 nd August to Friday 26 th August	\$19.25
Spelling Bee (Grade 2 -6 students)	Monday 22 nd August to Friday 26 th August	\$19.25
English (Grade 2 -6 students)	Monday 15 th August to Friday 19 th August	\$19.25
Mathematics (Grade 2 -6 students)	Monday 29 th August to Friday 2 nd September	\$19.25
Writing (Grade 3 -6 students)	Monday 8 th August to Friday 12 th August	\$23.65

If you would like your child to participate in any of the subjects listed above, please visit the new online Parent Payment System to make a direct payment to UNSW Global. The Parent Payment System is a simple and secure online payment service specifically for parents to purchase ICAS Assessments.

The web link is: <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

Our school's unique access code is: JXQ582

Online parent payment closes Sunday, 1 August 2022.

IMPORTANT: Please enter your child's name accurately into the System as it will appear on their ICAS certificate. Students must sit the assessments designed for their school year level.



Paynesville PS Calendar TERM 3

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

<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>
			G3/4 Softball Clinics		School Athletics	
<u>31</u>	<u>1 AUGUST</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
	Student Led Conferences	Soccer Clinics Student Led Conferences	School Council	Regional Girls Footy Forge Theatre Grade P/1/2		
<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>
<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>
	Vic Spell @ Nagle				Central District Athletics	
<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>1 SEPT</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
	Pupil Free Day (Professional Practice)	RACV Safety Squad		Division Athletics	Father's Day Stall	
<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
Father's Day						
<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>
				Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off	Last day of Term 3	
School Holidays 17th September – 2nd October						
<u>2 OCT</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>