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Office Hours - 8:30am to 4:00pm - Monday to Thursday
 8:30am to 3:30pm - Friday

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		PFA FUNDRAISING EVENTS	
MARCH		May 8 th	Mothers' Day Stall & Morning tea
Mar 13 th	P-2 Swimming Program	June 20 th	Dahlsens BBQ
Mar 16 th	P-2 Swimming Program	July 23 rd	Trivia Night.
Mar 16 th	School Council Finance 4:15pm	September 4 th	Fathers' Day Stall & Breakfast
Mar 20 th	P-2 Swimming Program	October 10 th	Dahlsens BBQ
Mar 23 rd	P-2 Swimming Program	October	2016 Fundraising calendar
Mar 23 rd	Harmony 8's Cricket	November	Art Show
Mar 25 th	School Council AGM 6:00pm	(Melb Cup w/end)	
Mar 25 th	School Council General Meeting 6:45pm		
Mar 27th	LAST DAY OF TERM 1 – 3:30PM FINISH		
TERM 1 - Thursday January 29th to Friday March 27th		TERM 2 - Monday April 13th to Friday June 26th	
TERM 3 - Monday July 13th to Friday September 18th		TERM 4 - Monday October 5th to Friday December 18th	

Dear Students, Parents, Caregivers and Friends of Paynesville Primary School,

Today we had 19 senior students travel to Melbourne to visit the Australian Formula 1 Grandprix. The students will spend the morning in the Innovations and Technology Precinct. They will then complete a tour of the track and watch the Formula One cars undertake track testing.

On Wednesday we had a special morning tea at the Fickle Fig to thank our reading assistance tutors and our extension maths tutors. We have a team of 14 people who give their time every week to support our students' development in literacy and numeracy. Thankyou very much.

Helping your child to read.

Learning to read plays an important part in a child's schooling success. Children who learn to read in the junior grades are better placed to make the most of learning opportunities through years 3 – 6. With work and family it can be hard to find the time to read to your child, with your child or listen to them read to you. However – every minute you spend with your child and a book will pay off in the long run. It is a deposit into their learning account!! On page 4 of this newsletter you will find a list of actions parents and carers can take to help their child with reading.

Basketball Results from Tuesday Night

Another action packed round of basketball. Thanks to the supporters who keep coming out to cheer the teams on. The girls had a great game showing very strong defence finally going down by 14 points to 6. The boys had a comfortable win 55 – 14. Well done everyone.

Basketball Draw for this week

Girls 5.10pm (Bus leaves the school car park at 4.40pm)
Boys Bye / No Game this week



HARMONY 8s CRICKET

part can get information and permission forms from Mr Werrett in grade 5.

Boys and Girls in grades 4, 5 and 6 are invited to register for the Harmony 8's cricket tournament being held in Bairnsdale on March 23rd. Students will play games against other schools and the focus for the day is "Getting along with people from other Cultures". Students wishing to take

Student Leadership Team

Thank you to all students who put themselves forward to undertake a leadership role this year. I would like to congratulate the following people.

School Captains	Aleksia Watkinson & Logan Pask
Sports Captains	Dakota Holford and Chloe Higgins
Arts Captain	Zara Steenholdt
Academic Captain	Sunny Howlett

House Captains

Gold	Callie Smith and Indi Dalton
Green House	Ben Bockmann and Hilary Sharp
Red	Melody Tomkins and Hayley Johnson
Blue.	Jaime Fordham and Taj Duff

SRC Elections will be conducted by SRC chair Taj Duff in the last week of this term.

Thank you for your support, Tony Roberts.

TV or Books – which is Better? by Callie Smith

Do you prefer TV or books? I prefer books and here is why.

Firstly, books are very good and they tell you more than TV does. But TV is good as well because the news helps you too, for example The Weather tells you if it will be hot or cold tomorrow.

Secondly, you can have an adventure with books. With television you just watch the same thing, the same stuff again and again and again.

Thirdly, you can educate yourself with a book, but television is no good for education.

In conclusion, you can get an education by reading books. All you get from watching TV are square eyes!

UNSW University International Exams

Students in Grades 3 - 6 have the opportunity to sit the University of New South Wales Exams in the months of May, June, July and August.

These exams are held in school, during school time and are an excellent opportunity for your child to experience a serious exam situation. Many students enjoy the academic challenge and the feedback about which areas they were strong in and which areas they could improve. Students are also given results which are moderated with all the other students around the world who have sat the exam.

The table below highlights the exams offered, the test date and the cost. We ask that the students wishing to sit the University of NSW exams **return the form below with payment by Friday March 27th.**

<i>NSW University International Exams</i>			
Student Name: _____		Total Payment attached : _____	
Year level: _____			
	Test Date	Cost	Select subjects with a tick please.
Digital Technologies	May 19th	\$8.80	
Science	June 3 rd	\$8.80	
Writing	June 15 th	\$18.70	
Spelling	June 16 th	\$12.10	
English	July 28 th	\$8.80	
Mathematics	August 11 th	\$8.80	

I give permission for my child to participate in the UNSW Testing for 2014. I acknowledge that payment is required with the form on registration.

PARENT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____/_____/2015

How can I help my child with reading?

- Read to your child as often as you can.
 - Encourage your child to choose the books you read together and help the child to tell the story from pictures in the book.
 - Talk about the books you read and the people, things and animals in them.
 - Draw attention to the illustrations when reading to your child.
 - Enrol your child in the local library.
 - Select books that describe familiar experiences, concepts and objects as well as fairy tales and fantasy stories.
 - Make sure your child sees members of the family reading.
 - Buy books as presents. Let your child help you choose them.
 - Keep audio tapes of favourite stories and songs in the car to play on long journeys.
 - Help your child to recognise his/her own name. Write simple dedications inside the child's own books and encourage them to start building their own book collection.
 - Teach your child nursery rhymes and songs.
 - Make use of quality 'book and tape' sets during busy times in the daily schedule.
 - Select books that use repetition to capture the rhythm of language, e.g. *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*.
 - Tell stories on the way to the shop, at bath time, at bed time.
 - Always keep a selection of books in your bag.
 - Place labels around the home, e.g. 'These are Kim's favourite books.'
 - Hold the book so the child can see the pictures and writing.
 - Let the child hold the book and turn the pages.
 - Encourage the child to join in and 'read' too.
 - Leave the book handy for private readings to teddy.
 - Help your child to tell the story from the pictures in the book.
 - Talk about everyday print, e.g. "We are going in here to get a hamburger. See the sign. It says 'Harry's Hamburgers'."
 - Sometimes point to the words as you read.
- Talk about your plans, e.g. 'Today I am going to make a cake, let's look at the recipe.'
 - Before beginning to read, settle your child down and talk a little about the book, e.g. 'This looks as if it's going to be a funny story.'
 - Accept and praise your child's attempts to read.
 - Visit the local book shop.
 - Fill your child's room with posters, books, pictures, mobiles of book characters.
 - Make a cloth book bag to take books with you wherever you go.



Read to your child every day.

'THE NOTICEBOARD'

art for kids

After-school art classes with Dee

Creative art activities for kids - open up your imagination and have a hands-on experience to create artworks you can be proud of.

Explore a wide variety of mediums and learn new skills and techniques.

Thursdays 3:45pm - 4:45pm Beginning Term 2 - Week 1
Classes are suitable for children in Grades 3-6

\$165 for the Term - materials are supplied by Deanne
Please fill in the form below and include payment to ensure your spot.
Places are limited

painting . sculpture . drawing . printmaking . making . creating

every child is an artist

Pablo Picasso

art for kids

FORMS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE



Kids Learn to Sail with Tackers

Tackers is a Yachting Australia program aimed at getting kids aged 7-12 into sailing.

Each program includes 20 hours tuition from qualified YA Instructors & Assistant Instructors, Fun on-water & off-water games and a Tackers Kit & Certificate.

Where
Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club
Paynesville

When
29th March - 2 April 2015

Contact us now!
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YACHTING AUSTRALIA

Dr Will Randich Chiropractor at Todd Chiropractic will be presenting:

"6 simple ways to improve your child's health and development"

The focus of the presentation will be:

- Balance and coordination,
- Developmental delays
- Muscle strength and tone,
- Spinal, muscular and developmental assessment

Todd Chiropractic Bairnsdale,

289 Main Street, Bairnsdale

Saturday the 21st of March

10am for 30 mins

Followed by the Grand Opening at 11am.

There will be plenty of activities for children during and after the presentation including

Jumping Castle, Face Painting, Games and Activities, Sausage Sizzle

The team at Todd Chiropractic are also providing (no obligation) **free spinal checks** on the day and until the end of March for adults, children and babies.

Please book for a spinal check or the presentation (03) 5153 0447

Bairnsdale Netball Association

Net-Set-Go

BNA will be running it's NetSetGo Program 2015 in Term 2. The program will commence on Thursday 23/04/2015. NetSetGo is an introduction to netball where the children will participate in skills activities, minor games and generally have a good time. The program is open to boys and girls. The child must be turning 8 this year and up to 11 years of age.

Cost of the Program is \$75 and includes a Participate Member Pack, Netball Victoria Membership and Registration for our Season 2 Competition. Registrations will accepted Thursday 19/03/15, Thursday 26/03/15 and Thursday 16/04/15 at the WORLD Netball Courts at the Timekeepers Box or we can email out a registration form should you be unable to attend either of these nights. To register your interest and should you have any queries please email: bdale.n.a@hotmail.com