



ISSUE 8 – 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2015

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		PFA FUNDRAISING EVENTS	
<b>MARCH</b>		May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers' Day Stall & Morning tea
Mar 20 <sup>th</sup>	P-2 Swimming Program	June 20 <sup>th</sup>	Dahlsens BBQ
Mar 23 <sup>rd</sup>	P-2 Swimming Program	July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Trivia Night.
Mar 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Harmony 8's Cricket	September 4 <sup>th</sup>	Fathers' Day Stall & Breakfast
Mar 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Grade 5/6 Leadership Camp 3:30pm	October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Dahlsens BBQ
Mar 24 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 5/6 Leadership Camp	October	2016 Fundraising calendar
Mar 25 <sup>th</sup>	School Council AGM 6:00pm	November	Art Show
Mar 25 <sup>th</sup>	School Council General Meeting 6:45pm	(Melb Cup w/end)	
Mar 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 1 – 3:30PM FINISH</b>		
<b>TERM 1</b> - Thursday January 29 <sup>th</sup> to Friday March 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TERM 2</b> - Monday April 13 <sup>th</sup> to Friday June 26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TERM 3</b> - Monday July 13 <sup>th</sup> to Friday September 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TERM 4</b> - Monday October 5 <sup>th</sup> to Friday December 18 <sup>th</sup>

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

It makes me proud to be a Paynesvillian when I hear that we have people in our school who are going above and beyond the call of duty to support families and people in need. We all have tough times when we need a hand – helping each other is what we do. Not judging or not gossiping but being understanding and supportive. Without getting personal I would like to thank everyone who is putting their own interests second and is helping someone else.

### I am a learner

Our 2015 student achievement data has put Paynesville Primary School above state and national averages in reading and maths. This is our core business - teaching children to be literate and numerate. To do this we will respect children as people, extend and enrich their learning and continue to support our children to see themselves as learners. At Paynesville Primary we are working hard to be the best school in the state and to do this we need our parents as partners. Thank you for all your good work and please continue to value your child's education and achievement.

### Formula One

Last Friday 19 students from the senior grades travelled to Melbourne to attend the Formula 1 Grand Prix Day 2 Session. We had fantastic weather and we were lucky to see the big name drivers out on the track. We left school at 6am and returned home at 9pm. It was an amazing day and the students were a credit to our town and their families. A special word of thanks to Martin Higgins, Anthony Goranitis, Chris Smith and Lauren Bills for helping us out on the day.

**Chicken Alert** – Our new chickens are making themselves at home and they love their new environment. The chickens are free ranging so you will see them out and about in the school yard.

**We are looking for volunteers to lock the chickens away (week nights) and to put them away and let them out in the weekends. Please call the office if you have time free.**

The free ranging chickens are also making a mess of the paths as they dig and scratch around. So we are also looking for a volunteer to blower vac the paths every morning – does this sound like you? 8.00 – 8.30am (Applications close asap, garden experience preferred – but not essential!).

### **Assembly Extravaganza**

Assembly on Monday will be an absolute extravaganza! Gerry Ciavarella and a number of PPS graduates will be performing. Gerry and his musicians will highlight the various instruments that make up an orchestra and play a few numbers for us. Our very own grade 5 scientist Miss Ayla Buckley will be leading a science lesson following on from the success of her famous “Exploding Volcano” demonstration last year. This is an assembly not to be missed.

### **Harmony 8 Cricket Tournament**

As soon as assembly is finished our cricket teams will jump on the bus and head to the Harmony 8 tournament in Bairnsdale. We have 3 boys team and 2 girls teams entered. Good luck everyone.

### **Leadership Camp**

Once the cricket teams return from Bairnsdale on Monday afternoon – our school leaders will pack away their cricket gear and head off to Coonawarra for their Student Leadership Camp. Our student leaders undertake some personal challenges including the climbing wall and will they head out on a horse trek.

### **Paynesville RSL Cenotaph Dedication Ceremony: Friday March 27<sup>th</sup> 2pm.**

Grade 5 and 6 students have been invited to attend this very special occasion in our town. We will be heading over the ceremony at 1.45pm and any parents, carers or grandparents who like to walk with us are invited to meet at the school office at 1.45pm.

### **After School Program with Sam**

This program **will be** running on Monday and Wednesday of the last week of Term.

### **Basketball Results**

This week the boys had a bye and the girls played a ripper of a game. The girls went down in the end 24 – 14 but they really played with skill and determination. Well done girls.

The Bairnsdale Basketball Association is running a skills day in the holidays with Rhys Carter and Michelle Cosier. These are a couple of the best basketballers going around. Call ***Bec White 0403 838 781 to register.***



**BASKETBALL SKILLS DAY**  
**with Rhys Carter & Michelle Cosier**  
**Wednesday 1st April, 2015**

**BARC** Bairnsdale Aquatic & Recreation Centre  
**9am – 3pm • \$50 per child**  
**Full day of skills and games ages between 8-16.**

Includes full day of basketball with Rhys Carter (NBL 2014-16 Champion New Zealand breakers) and Michelle Cosier (Canberra Capitals)  
Prizes and Giveaways • BYO drink bottle and lunch

The poster features a basketball on the left and two basketball players, a boy and a girl, on the right. The boy is holding a basketball above his head. The background is white with green and yellow splatters at the bottom.



Highlights from the students who attended the Formula 1 excursion on Friday March 13<sup>th</sup>.

	<u>FACTS</u>	<u>HIGHLIGHTS</u>
<u>Ayla</u>	Formula 1 cars are really loud	Seeing the Roulettes
<u>Jorja</u>	It is not about winning but having fun	Looking at cars and learning about the old cars.
<u>Taylor</u>	Formula 1 cars are very fast and loud.	Free lanyards, lollies, bracelets, pens & pencils
<u>Dakota</u>	I learnt that the Nitro methane powered cars are little cars with gas canisters to make them fly along the track at 150km per hour	Seeing the Formula One cars doing the time trials, they were amazing.
<u>Aleksia</u>	V8 Supercars are louder than Formula 1 cars	Watching the F1 cars racing around the track
<u>Kyson</u>	The F1 cars aren't as loud anymore because they have different motors. They have electric motors.	Sitting in the race car and meeting some of the race car drivers.
<u>Jewels</u>	I saw old cars that used to race and I learnt how you can make a car go faster.	Seeing the robot and sitting in the cars that they race in.
<u>Hayley</u>	There were high school students who competed in model car competition.	The free things that we got.
<u>Taj</u>	Formula 1 cars do an average of 190kms around the race course and 270km along the home straight	Racing the nitro methane powered cars at the Innovations Precinct.
<u>Steven</u>	The mini cars that were made by high school students were so fast; they would travel the length of our school hall in less than a second!	Seeing the Roulette aeroplanes and all the free stuff.
<u>Sunny</u>	The F1 cars can get up to 300kmph. There were really old cars from the 19 <sup>th</sup> century.	Seeing all the F1 cars.
<u>Elizabeth</u>	I learnt not to take your ear plugs and ear muffs off!	Listening to the V8's and the Formula 1 cars.
<u>Callie</u>	I learnt that a school entered a competition that we may have a try at.	Tubby the Robot and the cars.
<u>Ben</u>	That the V8's are very loud if you don't have your ear muffs on.	Watching the V8's and Formula 1 cars and the small gas powered cars.
<u>Logan</u>	That wooden cars put in nitro gas by putting a hole in the end of the nitro gas can and it can go really fast.	Seeing all the cars and watching them race. Seeing all the old cars and navy helicopter.
<u>Mollie</u>	That normal cars can have a louder engine than Formula 1's.	Tubby the Robot and the wooden cars.
<u>Chloe</u>	That a 3D printed car could travel 50metres in 1.23 seconds.	Watching the Roulettes and watching the cars race around.



# CLASSROOM CAPERS...



*Persuasive Writing by Jaime Fordham – 5W*

*Come on who wants to be lazy all day with a cat, when you can be outside with your DOG. I think a dog is better to have as a pet than a cat, here's why.*

*Dogs are playful and fun, they are always waiting to play outside in the sun. They are always in a good mood for playing. If your family is too busy to play with you, your dog is always there.*

*Cats have sharp teeth and claws. As soon as someone annoys a cat its claws are out and its soooo lazy. Some people say that cats are afraid of dogs but my dog is afraid of cats. I think cats are too scratchy.*

*It's disgusting how cats eat birds and rats. They catch them out in the yard and bring them inside and the worst thing is they leave the dead animals inside the house for us to clean up. It's just plain old disgusting!*

*So I hope I have proved to you that dogs are better than cats. Dogs are playful and don't hurt you but cats are lazy and gross. So this is why I think dogs are better than cats.*

## '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**

**MONDAY YOGA WILL NOT BE RUNNING DURING  
THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. FIRST CLASS WILL BE  
MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL.**



**Paynesville Junior Footy 2015**  
**There is Still Time!!**

There is still time to register if you want to play Under 10's, Under 12's junior footy in 2015.

Just go to [www.gullskids.info](http://www.gullskids.info) and "Click Here To Register" at the top right of the page. Follow the instructions and you are registered. Rego fee is \$90 for the season to be paid in person.

Training in Thursday nights 5-6pm. Call Chris Cook 0409 356 777 or Ross Freiberg 0427 568 586 with enquiries. Go Gulls !



## Holiday Sessions

Easter Holidays April 7<sup>th</sup> – April 10<sup>th</sup>

Preps to Grade 2..... 10 am. to 11 am.

Grade 3 to Grade 6..... 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm.

Painting, collage, printing, woodwork, sculpture, paper craft,  
Cost of session \$ 8 per child. Limit of 8 children per session.

Sessions held by qualified teacher of art.

Sessions held at Studio at 61 Newlands Drive Paynesville.

For more information and to Register your child before the start of  
the sessions in each term call 0419578412

## Bairnsdale Netball Association

### Net-Set-Go

BNA will be running it's NetSetGo Program 2015 in Term 2. The program will commence on Thursday 23/04/15.

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](mailto:bdale.n.a@hotmail.com)



## WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!!!

To whom it may concern,

**This Friday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of March, 2015 the Bairnsdale Little Athletics Club will hold its Annual (and likely last ever) General Meeting at 4:30pm at the Howitt Park Pavilion.**

*The Club seems destined to go into recess or closure on Friday despite its long proud history, a healthy financial position, state-of-the-art equipment and despite the fact that Little Athletics offers Bairnsdale children a fantastic space to run, jump, throw and learn how to win and lose.*

*The likely demise of the Club is a tragedy for our local kids (now and in the future) and is especially sad given how important we all know it is, to encourage our children while they are young, to "have a go" and form habits for a fit and active lifestyle.*

*The Club's not insignificant funds will be taken over by Little Athletics Victoria and the Club's equipment (including computerized timing gates) will be dispersed to other clubs in the State.*

*A band of parents have kept the Club running for over 40 years now, but it has been impossible to attract new parents to the management committee.*

*Too few parents are willing to volunteer their services and it is now at the stage that there just aren't enough adults willing to be involved (notwithstanding that there are still plenty of Bairnsdale kids who want to continue with Little Athletics).*

*The apathy of Bairnsdale parents has been profoundly disappointing to the Bairnsdale Little Athletics Club management committee.*

*The situation was dire last year and the Club only survived because parents who had already given years of time and effort, and whose own children were ready to move on from Little Athletics, felt compelled to continue for the sake of (other peoples') kids.*

*Little Athletics has, over the years, quietly supported hundreds of Bairnsdale kids in developing skills that they have taken to their primary school physical education classes, their junior football clubs, their junior netball clubs and into their lives generally; not just athletic skills but life skills.*

*With the winding up of the Little Athletics Club, that supporting role that has been played will be lost to future generations. It seems like the last little kid has been cheered on as he or she ran along last on a Friday night at Howitt Park and we'll all be poorer for that.*

**It doesn't have to happen, the Bairnsdale Little Athletics Club just needs some adults to come forward and volunteer to join the management committee – maybe it could be you.**