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Term 2- Week 4 at Paynesville Primary

Breakfast Club every morning in the kitchen @ 8:30.

Mon 19th – Active After School Program

Mon

Wed 21st – Aussie Hoops 1:20pm to 2:00pm

Wed 21st – Active After School Program

COMING UP...

Leadership Camp – June 10 & 11 Coonawarra

Disco – Friday 13th June 2014

Camp Quality Puppet Show 21st June – Nexus Arts Program

Monday Green Eagles	Tuesday Red Swans	Wednesday Gold Kookaburras	Thursday Blue Seagulls
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Office Hours - 8:30am to 4:00pm - Monday to Friday

SCHOOL HATS ARE AVAILABLE – PRICE \$11.00



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

“Week of the volunteer”

This week is **Week of the Volunteer** and Paynesville Primary School would like to acknowledge and thank the many volunteers who support our students and our school. We have volunteers driving our van, assisting with reading, tutoring maths, helping with the kitchen program, working in the gardens and supporting sports programs to name just a few. A very sincere thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers.

Paynesville Primary School Maths

We are currently undertaking an upgrade of our maths program. While students are still learning to calculate and solve equations, parents may have noticed that children in classes are spending more time applying maths skills and strategies than they have before. We have extended our maths lessons to include a greater focus on applying the skills and strategies we have learned to problem solving situations. This Friday a number of our staff have been working with Professor Mike Askew and other teachers from Lucknow Primary and Bairnsdale West Primary to further enrich our classroom maths programs.

Parents of students in grades 3 – 6 would now have been working with their child(ren) for a year on the Maths Mate

homework program. The first page of the Maths Mate homework is designed to reinforce skills and strategies and then students are challenged to start to apply these. The final two or three questions each week are designed to really stretch children to reason out a possible solution – it is more process orientated than about getting the right answer every week. Finally this year in maths we have added an extension maths program for students who show strength in this subject area. We have a number of tutors who work with students in small groups or one to one. Our maths tutors are also upskilling their knowledge with Mike Askew to build on the work that is happening in the classrooms.

Gardening day

On Tuesday we held our first “Gardening Day”. This was an idea that came out of a parents and friends meeting last term and it has proved to be very successful. On Tuesday, parents, grandparents, students and staff joined forces to give our gardens a make over.

The trees at the front entrance were trimmed and mulched. The lunch eating area garden was tidied and mulched and the kitchen garden also received a tidy up. The area around the toy library was weeded, the roses pruned and the area mulched. The new gum trees by the sandpit received some love and care and the garden around the MADD building also had a tidy up.

A very big gardening thankyou to every one who volunteered and came along to help out on the day. We will be holding a garden day every term, so if there are any grandparents, mums or dads who missed out on gardening with their child(ren) ...you will have another opportunity.

Gardening Day Photos







Orchestra in Orbost



Next Week our School Orchestra is travelling to Orbost Secondary College on Monday

and Tuesday to rehearse for the East Gippsland Schools Music Festival. Our students will be joining orchestras from other schools across the area under the first class instruction of Gerry Ciavarella. They will be rehearsing a number of shared pieces for the festival. Thanks you to the parents and staff who are helping out with this excursion. They will be involved in the Gala Concert on the Thursday night. We wish them well with this project.

Disco Coming Up

Friday 13th June

6pm – 8pm Prep – Year 6

No cost – just please bring a plate per family.

Breast Cancer Fundraising

Last Week Paynesville Primary School raised \$300.00 for Breast Cancer Research which was a fantastic effort. The idea to support Breast Cancer came from two grade 6 girls Samara McDonald – Green and Shelby Heatley. The SRC and the PFA got on board and it was a fantastic day on Friday for Mothers Day and for Breast Cancer awareness. Thank you very much to everyone involved.

New Junior School Take Home Readers



I would like to thank the Parents and Friends Association for raising the funds to enable us to purchase a new set of junior take home readers. These readers are very exact in their focus, they are very effective and they are very expensive. Over the next two years we will update our entire reading books from grades prep to grade 4.

PFA (Parents and Friends Association).

The PFA would like to thank the following Grade 6 students for their help with the Mothers Day stall and morning tea: Maddi M, Trav M-L, Nikki W, Amanda H, Jaz S, Shelby H and Samara M-G. We would also like to thank the parents and staff who lent a hand throughout the morning. An extra special mention to Vicki Keys who put in a huge effort in the days leading up to and on the morning of the event.

The PFA need your help. The PFA is an integral part of the school community and provides the opportunity for parents to meet and connect with each other and the principal, or a school representative, in order to ensure that everything necessary is being done for the school, its

community and most importantly the students. In this way, the parents and school staff are able to assist each other greatly and contribute to the life and welfare of the school. The PFA regularly organise social and fund raising events, such as the Mother's Day Stall and morning tea. In order to make these successful we rely on parents, grandparents, carers and friends. If you can assist us or are interested to find out more, please see a PFA member, leave your details with Lauren in the office or feel free to come to one of our meetings on Wednesdays from 2:30-3:30 in the staff room. If you would like to assist with the Breakfast Club (providing students with some toast and a warm drink) any school morning in the kitchen from 8:30 – 9am, please put your name on the roster located on the desk at the front office.

Grade 6 News.

Report by Trinity and Jaime.

The Nagle Expo

Last week was the Nagle Expo. Students from local schools came to Nagle to see if they wanted to go there. My group was only students from Paynesville but the other group was mixed. Jaime, Connor and Charlie went in the mixed group.

First two captains from Nagle took us to the Japanese classroom. In the Japanese classroom the teacher taught us all the colours in Japanese. Ao, murasuki, pinku that means blue, purple, pink.

After that the captains took us to a big green hill where all the students ate. We saw lots of old students from Paynesville there.

After recess we went to PE. At PE we played Thunder Hockey. There was a red team and a yellow team. I was on the red team. I really enjoyed Thunder Hockey. I

am sure everyone else enjoyed it too. Our last class was Food Technology. Food Tech was really fun. I was partnered with Hilary N. and we made fruit platters on sticks. Mine had mandarin, apple, grapes and banana. Hilary and I both had two fruit sticks each.

I really enjoyed the Nagle Expo and I am definitely going to Nagle next year.

Trinity Fordham



Grade 1 News.

Next week grade 1 will be learning about trucks. They will be making a truck too.

By Oska M.



VENUE: Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club
The Esplanade, Paynesville

DATE: Thursday 22nd May, 2014

TIME: 10.00 a.m. till 11.30 a.m.

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00



Includes Lucky Door Prize, Tea or Coffee with Sandwiches and Cake.

Tickets are limited to 140 places.

Book early to secure a seat.

Tickets available at Paynesville Neighbourhood Centre

55 The Esplanade, Paynesville during office hours

Monday to Thursday 10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.



This year, Meg Murphy in Grade 4, has taken on some new and exciting experiences:

“Sailability” in Term 1

Horseriding fortnightly throughout the year.

Meg says “I’m excited” about these programs and chats to her friends about what she does using her Ipad.

This week she trotted her horse called Circles (a brumby who had an eye condition when found and walked in circles – hence his name).

Riding for the Disabled (RDA) volunteers who run the program at the Pony Club facility in Bairnsdale say that Meg has excellent posture in the saddle and is a natural rider.

Circles gives Meg an affectionate nudge at the end of the ride and Meg gives him an apple.

Well done Meg!



Don't forget to register for the Premier's Reading Challenge!

Rotary Community Service Awards

On Thursdays Sophie, Shelby and Simone go to the Raymond Island Koala Shelter for their rotary community service award. Susie Pulis runs the Koala Shelter and right now in the shelter she is looking after Nel (a baby koala), Rocky (A male koala) and Arly (the baby kangaroo).

If you were to see an injured animal make sure to call Susie on: 0447470905.

To tell if a koala is injured they won't be climbing the trees or eating they will be on the ground. Last year 57 koalas went to the shelter unfortunately 37 of them passed away from starvation because of the amount of trees being cut down.

NO TREE..... NO ME!!



Mystery Host Pink Cooking Party!

Featuring **THE CHEFS toolbox**

Come along and try the Chefs Toolbox products, sample some delicious food and enjoy a glass of bubbly or a cuppa.

Help us raise money for the **NATIONAL BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA**, with 10% of all Chefs Toolbox sales and 100% of money from raffles going to this fantastic cause.

YOU could also be the lucky winner of our Mystery Host draw and win yourself a Chefs Toolbox item for only \$75.

Thursday 29th May, 2014
from 7pm
3 Hakea Crt. Paynesville

For catering purposes please
RSVP by 25th May 2014
Di - 0408065278 or Amber - 0422822533

Thanks for your support
Di Higgins and Amber McAlpine
Chefs Toolbox Independent Consultants

"The East Gippsland Choral Festival is celebrating it's 20th anniversary this year, with an expanded program - including workshops and concerts - aimed at involving more of the community. Detailed programs are available at front office."

A CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY VOICES
23RD TO 25TH MAY 2014
EAST GIPPSLAND SINGS
Festival Program

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