Diary Dates

Term 2
- Fri 19 - Grade 1/2 Trip to Raymond Island
- Wed 24 - 5/6 Open night 4-6pm
- Fri 26 - 5/6 Swimming
- End of term—1.30 finish

2009 Term Dates for students

Term 3 13 July—18 Sept
Term 4 5 Oct—17 Dec

Coming Up

Wed 5 Aug - School Photo Day
Tues 25 Aug - Parent info session 5/6 Human Development program
Oct 27-30 - 5/6 Camp
Dec 9-11 - 3/4 Camp

Reporting Conferences 1/2B
Ms. Buckwell’s reporting conferences are being held this Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. Notes have been sent home for parents to request times. Families who have returned these notes have been allocated a time and notes have been sent home with students. Please contact the office if you need to make an appointment time to see Ms. Buckwell.

Canteen

Today and next Thursday are our last full days of canteen. The canteen will be open next Friday for recess purchases only. We are running our stock out so some of our items may not be available. Judy will substitute items so students will not miss out. Please support the canteen in these last few days.
We would like to thank all the volunteers over the time the canteen has been operating, with a special thanks to Jodie Greenaway and Wendy Evans for their efforts in keeping the canteen running while Judy has been away. Thanks also to Tracey Seager for her voluntary time over the past couple of years.
Next week you will receive the menu and operating process for lunch orders. Check the school bags if you don’t have it by Wednesday.
The new menu will also be on the school website www.paynesville-ps.vic.edu.au.

Lost Property

We have had a lot of lost property accumulating in our lost property basket, if you are missing an item please come and check the basket located at the office.

End of Term

Term 2 ends next Friday, June 26th. Students will be released at 1.30 to return home for lunch. The canteen will be open at Recess only. Please feel free to pack extra fruit as students may snack on fruit and water at any time during class. I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing break. Term 3 begins on July 13th. Bus travellers will have received a note today outlining arrangements for the last day.

Volunteers on Camps and Excursions

We absolutely appreciate the support from those of you who are able to help out when we have camps and excursions. Having the extra hands and eyes really does help make the special trips more manageable and pleasant for all concerned. As the world changes however schools are required to meet more and more legal guidelines to ensure the safety of the students, staff and volunteers who take part in the activities. Two of our main requirements are that any volunteer attending needs to have a current Working With Children Check or a current Victorian Institute of Teaching Card and must be minuted in School Council Minutes as attending the excursion. This is done to ensure that all volunteers are covered by the school's insurance should something go wrong. Although our School Council meets twice a term we have an agreed process for approving volunteers. This process does require a couple of days notice and that is why we need to know the names of those attending prior to the excursion or activity. If you are hoping to attend but are unsure of other commitments, put your name down and we can go through the approval process and withdraw you if necessary. Organising and managing excursions and camps is quite an involved process with staff being required to follow explicit procedures set out by the Department. If you could help us out in this area it will go a long way to making the process run even more smoothly.

Winter Sports

Yesterday Paynesville Primary School welcomed schools’ from around the district to compete in the annual Winter Sports challenge. We had competitors from Lucknow, Clifton Creek, Nicholson, Bairnsdale 754 and Eagle Point Primary Schools’ competing with Paynesville Primary School in the netball, football, soccer and teeball. Thank you to Mr. Fraser for all the hard work in organising the winter sports and to the staff and parents who helped with supervision and coaching on the day.

Sick Bay clothing

If families are having a clean out over the school holidays the sick bay requires donations of boys and girls pants for those days when children need a spare change (from muddy puddles). If you can help out please leave your donation at the office.

Thought for the Week

Happiness depends on ourselves
Aristotle

Please keep in mind that we have three students who have a severe allergy to nuts and nut products.
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Circus Skills (8+)
Y-Tiny Tots (1-2 years; parent assisted)
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Y-Kids (4-5 years; parent assisted)
Adult Stretching & Core Stability

Enquiries:
estgippslandgymnastics@zoomshare.com
East Gippsland YMCA Gymnastics Club

Paynesville Neighbourhood Centre

The Neighbourhood Centre will be running a level 2 First Aid and CPR update with Dale Porter. Dates are as follows.

Level 2 August 15th & 22nd 9am to 5pm
CPR August 15th 9am to 12:30

Cost are Level 2 -$175.00
CPR -$70.00

If you interested in participating please contact Karen Fleischer on 5156 0214

Bairnsdale Golf Club

Are holding a Trivia Night
Friday 19th June
Starting time – 7pm
Tables of 6-10
$6.00 per head
Prizes
Bar Open BYO Supper
Humour supplied
Intelligence not required
All members of the community are most welcome.
For enquiries Please phone Bruce White 5156 6252 or Jan Dunlop 5156 6909 to book.

Lost
Sterling Silver Bracelet with belcher link, and dragonfly charm. Was a special gift. If found could you please return to the office.

Adventure Club Notice

Next Sunday is our last Adventure Club for Term 2. We recommence on Sunday July 19th. During Term 3 we will hold our very serious annual skipping competition with trophies to be awarded to the winners. We are very thankful for the great progressive lunch bike-hike to Raymond Island on Sunday, June 7th, more than 45 took part and it was a lot of fun. Adventure Club is for children aged 4-14 and is held at the Uniting Church, corner of Kings Street and Langford Parade.

Further enquiries please call:
Keith Young 5156 0352 or Jackie Frieberg on 5156 7343
Bairnsdale Steiner Kindergarten is inviting enrolments for 2010

4- & 5-year-old Kindergarten, Thurs and Fri, 9am - 3pm
Steiner kindergarten teaches strong oral literacy skills, learning through free play, problem solving skills and encourages children’s imagination all in a nurturing, home-like environment. Our toys are made from natural materials. Plenty of outdoor play is mixed with quieter activities including cooking and crafts.

3-, 4- and 5-year-old Play Day, Wed, 9am - 3pm
The Steiner play day provides a day of singing, play, bread making, and art work has been used as an introductory day to kindergarten or as an additional kindergarten day for four or five-year-old children.

Free Kindergarten to eligible Health Care Card holders.

Bairnsdale Steiner Kindergarten, 72 Lucknow Street, Bairnsdale
For enquiries and application forms please phone 5152 2828 or email bairnsdale.steiner.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au

Winter Lecture Series
Bairnsdale Steiner Kindergarten presents

A series of talks on calm and compassionate ways to parent

Thursday, June 25: Compassionate communication and children: Daya Jepsen
Would you like to communicate with your children in a calm way that understands and respects their needs and feelings, but also gives space for yours? Here’s how. The talk includes workshopping some examples which will be led by trained Non-Violent Communication leader, Jason Miller. Daya is a primary school trained teacher who has been a Steiner playgroup leader for the past six years. She has three teenage and adult children.

Monday, July 27: Gentle parenting: Cyndie Bignell
In the first seven years of life children’s energy goes into growing their physical bodies and developing their will. This talk discusses strategies to maximise enjoyment of being with children during these years and managing behaviour in a calm, positive way. Cyndie is currently children’s services coordinator at East Gippsland TAFE. Cyndie previously worked in Steiner Kindergartens for 13 years and has four adult children.

Monday, August 24: Managing the challenging years: Cass Roadknight
About the time that children turn ages 3, 9 and 15, and in the lead up to it, are often challenging times for parents as children push their boundaries. A talk on what is happening for children at these ages and how to deal with it. Cass is a retired teacher who spent 30 years in government primary schools and another 11 in Steiner schools. She has four grown-up children.

All talks held at Bairnsdale Steiner Kindergarten, 72 Lucknow St, and start at 7pm. Gold coin donation.
For enquiries phone 5152 2828.

FREE PROPAGATING DAY
SUNDAY 21st JUNE
1:30pm
At Jan & Graeme Donnan’s “Oodnaduna”
40 Mathieson’s Road, Eagle Point

BYO Chair, secateurs/scissors and we’ll show you how to grow plants from cuttings.
As a bonus enjoy wandering around our large Australian Native garden.

Free tea/coffee available.
Sponsored by the Bairnsdale & District AUSTRALIAN PLANTS SOCIETY.

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Stephanie Alexander

Kitchen Garden Program
at Paynesville Primary School

In the Kitchen....

This week the children enjoyed preparing Tomato & Lentil Soup, & Pumpkin & Silverbeet Curry with Flatbreads. The Prep class also made a Lentil Soup, with a Potato & Rosemary Pizza. They love being in the kitchen! There are so many people to thank this week, James & Emily Seager for a dozen eggs, Doug & Nina Trigg for an electric pasta machine, Wendy Evans for 2kg lentils & tinned tomatoes, Sue (CRE) for 2 sets of scales, Pam (a volunteer in the kitchen & garden) for 2 stove igniters & 2 cans of Olive Oil Spray, India & Sunny Howlett’s uncle for limes & their Nan for homemade cumquot marmalade, & Jackie & Ross Frieberg for a large stock pot. Thankyou everyone! Thankyou also to all the icecream containers & egg cartons we have received. We now have enough egg cartons for the time being - thankyou.

In the Garden.....

With the weather looking a bit dismal on Tuesday, the Grade 5/6 children learnt about Bare-rooted Fruit Trees, inside their classroom. Each gardening group was then given the task of researching a particular fruit tree, using different sources of information. Great teamwork! The 3/4 children had great weather and enjoyed learning about the Winter Solstice, followed by varied tasks in the garden, planting Garlic & Rhubarb, sowing seeds of carrots, bok choi & spinach, composting, mulching paths & cleaning out the chook shed. The Prep class had a wonderful lesson, digging up potatoes & potato printing. Thankyou very much to Jasmine & Hilary Sharp’s Great Aunt for the Garlic plants & Rhubarb plants.

Produce For Sale...

Next Wednesday June 24th from 3:15pm, the 5/6 classes will be selling excess produce from the school garden, outside Room 2. Bring your wallet or purse with you to purchase some fresh vegetables, or seedlings at great prices! All money raised will go back into purchasing supplies for the Kitchen Garden Program at the school.

Gardening Tip.....

Plant garlic on the shortest day of the year (Winter Solstice - this weekend) to then harvest on the longest day - December 20-21. Garlic plants love a compost enriched soil.

Watering over holidays.....

If you can help out with the watering over the holidays could you please catch up with Deanne next week.