



THE SEAGULL

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

<u>CALENDAR</u>	Receive our The Seagull by email: paynesville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
<u>TERM 4</u> Mon 10 th to Wed 12 th Grade 6 Doxa Camp Wed 12 th – School Council Finance 5:15pm Wed 12 th – School Council Meeting 6:00pm Fri 14 th – Pre-Prep transition	<u>Prep Transition Dates</u> December 14 th <u>SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS</u> Thursday December 20 th – Pupil Free Day Friday December 21 st – Pupil Free Day
CANTEEN LAST DAYS FOR 2018 ARE: WEDNESDAY 12TH, THURSDAY 13TH & FRIDAY 14TH DECEMBER.	

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Steven Fletcher Visit - International Disability Day

At assembly on Monday local disability advocate Stephen Fletcher came to assembly to speak to the school as a part of International Disability Day. Stephen has cerebral palsy and he had a strong message to our students and adults. If people see a person with a disability out and about in our community, please treat them with respect and if you know them- then say "hello". Stephen has contacted me later this week to say that one of our students did come up to him in town and thanked him for coming to assembly. Stephen did not get the student's name, but he really appreciated this act of kindness.



2018 Volunteers

On Thursday morning we held out volunteers' morning tea to say thank you to all of the people who give up their time to support our children. People volunteer at our school in many ways. To the prep reading Nanas and mums, the camp helpers, the sports coaches, the weekend gardeners and everyone else who gives to the school – a very big thank you!

Vegie Garden Club 2019

Just planting the seed at the moment - We are looking to start a Vegie Garden Club (VGC) next year and we are looking for a parent group to lead the way. If any parents who are interested in joining this group can please let me know via the school office by the end of next week, I will be in touch to frame up the work. Hope you can dig it!!!



Student Reports go home today

All students will bring home their reports today. Please take the time to read the report, celebrate achievements (attitude, skills and knowledge) and set goals for any areas needing future support. Please remember that these reports are not the finishing line – rather they are indicators of where your child is on their journey. Attached to every child's school report is their 2019 class list and their teacher for next year.

2019 Teaching Staff

Carol Roberts	Principal	
Jarryd Floyd	Grade 6	Leadership Team
Carey White	Grade 5	
Kate Ingram	Grade 3 & 4	Leadership Team
Kathleen Callow	Grade 3 & 4	
Mary Sowa	Grade 1 & 2	Leadership Team
Rachel Smith	Grade 1 & 2	
Kate Radford	Prep	Leadership Team
Angela Stringer	ICT	
Mallory Gray	Kitchen Classes	
Deanne Howlett	Art	
Nick O'Brien	Physical Education	



Grade 6 Camp

Next week the Grade 6 students will be heading to Melbourne to attend the Urban Camp on Elizabeth St. From Monday to Wednesday they will explore the highlights of our State capital. It is a lovely opportunity for our senior grade to farewell each other as they head off to high school next year. Many of our students have been together since kinder, so this is a wonderful opportunity to spend some time together.

School Captains

Congratulations to every Grade 5 student who put themselves forward to be one of our 2019 school captains. We often hear people talking about the importance of having 'resilience' or 'bouncing back' but as parents we can be reluctant to put our children in positions where they may not be successful. On this occasions 15 students threw their hat in the ring with four being elected. Learning to 'have a go' and learning to cope when things don't go our way are important and we are very proud of every one of these students.

Congratulations to our 2019 school captains;

Grace Oldfield

Averil Watkinson

Nathan Tough

Zane Marsh



Canteen 2018

We are very grateful for all the work that Ian and Jacqui do with our school canteen. We are fortunate to have access to such wonderful lunches. Thank you for the service you provide.

A message from Ian;

Thank you to the students who have helped in the canteen this year and good luck to those who will be leaving us this time. The canteen will operate as per normal next week (Wednesday 12th to Friday 14th December).

The last day for school lunches is next Friday December 14th. See you in 2019 with a new canteen menu.

Paynesville PS Calendar Nov/Dec

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
TERM 4						
<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>
	ASSEMBLY 9:00am Grade 6 Camp BSC Transition	Grade 6 Camp	Grade 6 Camp School Council EOY Meeting		Pre-Prep Transition	
<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>
	ASSEMBLY 9:00am GRADE 6 GRADUATION EVENING PREP GRADUATION		STUDENTS LAST DAY. GRADE 6 AWARDS ASSEMBLY 9:00am Christmas Carols at Assembly	PUPIL FREE DAY	PUPIL FREE DAY END OF TERM 4	



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Metal Straws are the future.

By Vannan Coull-Barnes

What type of straws do you use? Plastic straws? Turtle killers. Paper straws? Forest killers. Metal straws? You are saving forests and turtles plus a little bit more money in your wallet. Plastic and paper straws are a one time use. Metal straws can last one hundred years.

Plastic straws. They get stuck in turtle's noses. One in each nostril is deadly. Who wants to kill turtles? Cruel people. You don't want to be a cruel person do you?

Paper straws. People take down forest after forest to make paper. Taking down forests kills wildlife. That means animals can become extinct from people making paper. How would you feel if your house was knocked down to make paper?

With metal straws none of the bad stuff happens. You can wash them in a dishwasher. You can buy them to raise money for stopping turtles dying and to stop forests being cut down. How would you feel if you saved a turtle's life? How would you feel if you saved an animal from extinction?

You see, by making it this far into this persuasive, you must really care about the environment. You care about turtles dying of suffocation and forest wildlife that are in danger of dying from loss of habitat.