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PRIMARY SCHOOL



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REMOTE LEARNING WEBSITE: sites.google.com/view/pps-remote-learning

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Congratulations to everyone for completing their sixth week of remote learning! Next Tuesday Preps and Grade 1 and 2 students return to school. This is very exciting and we look forward to seeing you all back. Students in Grades 3 to 6 continue with their remote learning for 2 more weeks. I encourage our students in Grades 3 to 6 to continue to put in your best effort into your remote learning, the teachers always look forward to marking your work and seeing your learning progress. Our remote learning website will continue to be an important aspect of remote learning, please encourage your child to use this platform to support their learning. I have included last week's key information about returning to school below.



The key dates are listed below:

Monday 25th May Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 26th May Prep, Grade 1 and 2 students return

Tuesday 9th June Grade 3 – 6 students return

Afterschool programs commence

Our return to school does come with some changes which are outlined in detail in an accompanying letter. Please read through the Return to School notice carefully for all the details. Key changes include:

- Parents and carers will drop students at one of our school gates. Student drop off times in the morning are naturally staggered so there will be no change to the time to drop off your child.
- Respectfully, please only enter the school grounds if absolutely necessary as the number of adults in the school must be restricted.
- Adults must maintain physical distancing and not congregate at any time.
- Pick up times in the afternoon will be staggered as outlined below. If you are unable to collect your child at the time below please let me know and we can change this on an individual basis.

Students with surnames A - G will be collected from the school gates at 3:10pm. Students with surnames H - P will be collected from the school gates at 3:20pm Students with surnames Q - Z will be collected from the school gates at 3:30pm.

- Students who walk or ride to school independently will depart from school at 3:30pm.
- If you child is ill or is feeling unwell, they must not attend school. They must remain home and seek medical advice.
- These arrangements will be in place from 26th May until further notice.

Please talk through these changes with your child prior to their return to school. It is important that your child knows which school gate they will be collected from in the afternoon and it is important that these times are adhered to as closely as possible.

School water fountains are unable to be used, so **please ensure your child comes to school with a drink bottle**. Regular hand washing is required so **I encourage students to bring a small towel** with them to school to dry their hands after washing them in the classroom.

School Assembly - Tuesday May 26th 9am

Next week's assembly will be held on Tuesday morning as Monday is a Pupil Free Day. The log in details remain the same. Next week's assembly theme is how we have been keeping active during COVID-19. On the front page of our newsletter you can see an image taken from River and Darkodas' video, thanks very much for sharing.

Meeting Number: 786 481 790

Password: Paynesville

International Education Support Staff Day

On Saturday 16th May it was International Education Support Staff Day. This day provided us with an excellent opprtunity to say thank you to our amazing Education Support Staff for all the work they do to support the students at our school. They enrich our school in so many ways and we are very grateful to them. Pictured below are the ES staff working onsite today, role modeling excellent physical distancing. Thanks also to Brianna (she is in the in the photo via the phone held by Kerry), Connor and Dee who are not onsite today.



Food Parcels

We do have a few food parcels available in the school office for any families who think they may benefit from one. Please just pop in and ask, they are behind the counter and ready to go.

Art

This week Dee challenged our students to make a colour wheel out of different objects they can find in their home. Thanks to Mitchell for sending us a photo of your colour wheel creation using Lego. It looks awesome. Well done to Lexie for your amazing Recycled Cardboard Cityscape, I love it!





Congratulations to Zaxton for the outstanding job you did of your clock, what a great resource to learn to tell the time. Wonderful work Slater with the Noughts and Crosses game, that looks awesome. How delicious does dinner look at Aimee's house?! Check out the roast pork with crispy crackling, duck fat potatoes and pumpkin and honey carrots.





