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PRIMARY SCHOOL



Shaping lives, inspiring minds

ISSUE 20 July 15th, 2020 Office Hours - 8:30am to 4:00pm - Monday to Thursday 9:00am to 3.30pm - Friday

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wednesday August 19th - School Photos

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone! During these challenging times we are all very grateful to have been able to return to onsite teaching this term. Again I am thankful to live in such a beautiful part of Victoria. Our students have settled into the routine of school very well and have taken a few wet days this week in their stride. It is not very often we get the chance to experience getting wet from the rain!

This term we will open up our library at lunchtimes for our students. The library is a beautiful space and it will be lovely to be able to utilise it during this time. Activities on offer are the reading and issuing of books, games including chess, draughts and connect 4, jigsaw puzzles, duplo and lego, colouring and craft activities. Below are some photos of the students who enjoyed being in the library today.













Premiers' Reading Challenge

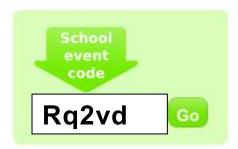
For those students involved in the Premiers Reading Challenge, just a reminder that the challenge closes on the 4th September. If you need your child's log in again please ask. I have ordered some lapel badges that students will be able to wear on their school uniform when the challenge is completed. Please contact me if you have any questions. If you would like your child to be part of the challenge it is not too late to join up, please let me know.

Parent / Teacher Interviews

Parent / Teacher interviews will be held after school on Monday 27th July and Tuesday 28th July. Due to COVID-19 restrictions the interviews will be held online via WebEx this term. Please book your time using the School Interviews website below. Bookings will close on Friday 24th July. Meeting invites will be sent via email.

At these interviews, parents will have the opportunity to ask any questions they may have about their child's school report which went home last term and your child will share their Semester Two learning goals.

BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN AT: https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code?code=6tmpg











When you click *finish*, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

Paynesville Junior Football

TRAINING HAS STARTED BACK FOR U10, U12, U14

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5–6pm on Thursday nights at A.J. Freeman Reserve, Main Rd, Paynesville A shortened 6 week season will run with the first game being Sunday 26th July.

Everyone welcome!

Enquiries to Chris Cook 0409 356 777

University of NSW ICAS Assessments

We are delighted to inform you that Paynesville Primary School will be participating in the world-renowned ICAS Assessments this year. ICAS is developed by UNSW Global, a wholly owned subsidiary of UNSW Sydney, with over 35 years' experience in educational assessments.

ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Digital Technologies.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition. Every student will receive a printed certificate and an online result report. Top performers will be eligible for medals and are invited to attend special award ceremonies to have their academic excellence publicly recognised.

We encourage you to consider entering your child into ICAS this year. The assessments are suitable for students wishing to extend themselves academically and take up the personal challenge of competing in an international assessment. Your child will be presented with high-quality, expert-developed questions, allowing them to apply their learning without the need for prior study or revision.

ICAS Assessments are now online, a move that reflects a sector-wide transition to online assessments. This allows greater accessibility for students and faster delivery of results.

Learn more about ICAS here: unsw.global/ICAS

These assessments are designed to recognise academic excellence for high potential students. The emphasis is on challenge and extension.

These exams are held at school, during school time and are an excellent opportunity for your child to experience a serious exam situation. Many students enjoy the academic challenge.

In 2020 students have the opportunity to participate in the following subjects:

	Sitting Dates	Cost
Digital Technologies	Monday 24 August to Friday 28	\$15.95
(Not available to Grade 2 students)	August 2020	
Science	Monday 17 August to Friday 21	\$15.95
	August 2020	
Spelling Bee	Monday 31 August to Friday 4	\$15.95
	September 2020	
English	Monday 24 August to Friday 28	\$15.95
	August 2020	
Mathematics	Monday 31 August to Friday 4	\$15.95
	September 2020	

If you would like your child to participate in any of the subjects listed above, please visit the new online Parent Payment System to make a direct payment to UNSW Global. The Parent Payment System is a simple and secure online payment service specifically for parents to purchase ICAS Assessments.

The web link is: https://shop.unswglobal.com.au/pages/pps

Our school's unique access code is: KLZ388

Online parent payment closes Sunday, 2 August 2020.

IMPORTANT: Please enter your child's name accurately into the System as it will appear on their ICAS certificate. Students must sit the assessments designed for their school year level.