



IS SUE 13 . Term 2 Week 3: 12th May, 2023

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 15th May

- Swimming Lessons
- Division Cross Country

Wednesday 17th May

- Grade 5 Kinder Connection group go on first visit to Uniting Kinder Paynesville

Friday 19th May

- Walk to School Safely Day
- Australia's Biggest Morning Tea – Cancer Council
- School Canteen is back
- Free Choice Friday 2 – 2.50pm
- Nagle College Expo 9am -1pm

UPCOMING WEEKS

Mondays for the term

- Swimming Program continues

Wednesday 24th May

- Grade 5/6 Winter Sports being hosted at Paynesville Primary School

Friday 26th May

- SRC: Dress Up as a Pirate Day. Gold Coin donation for Kids with Brain Cancer

Thursday 1st June

- Guest Speaker and Presenter: Scott Harris
Resilience: Whole school 12.30pm

Tuesday 6th June

- School Photos

Monday 19th – Wednesday 21st June

Grade 5/6 Coolamatong Camp

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 4:00pm
Friday 9:00am to 3:30pm

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**State Lawn Bowls: Paynesville Primary School
Runners Up. An Outstanding Achievement.**



TERM 2 DATES.

Term 2: Monday 24th April (Staff only) – Friday 23rd June.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS during term 2.

Monday 12th June: King's Birthday

Dear Parents, Carers, Families and Members of our Community.

Our Grade 3/4 students had an outstanding time on their camp at Coonawarra last week. Supported by many school staff, families and loved ones, as well people at the camp they were able to enjoy many new adventures and activities. Thank you to all who contributed to making this such an outstanding experience for all. The students were so lucky to be able to engage in such rich experiences and have the opportunity to build relationships with their peers and adults from school who were all wanting to support them in developing themselves through a range of positive as well as challenging situations moving forward. Camps are integral to growth and they only happen when dedicated and caring staff put themselves in situations where they leave their own families and lives to ensure this happens for the young people they live for and love each and every day. Such special connections are built in these experiences. Thank you all.

Our student leaders went to Sale for the GRIP Student Leadership Conference on Monday. They had a fabulous time and loved being part of such an awesome conference/event. As one student said "It was not so much a conference but an experience to guide us to be rockstars of change". As leaders they developed their thinking and skills and were able to better understand what they need to do to be the best they can as a leader. They certainly came back with many ideas and have presented some of these to me so I can support them in their endeavour to positively enact these within the school. Well done everyone and thank you to Jarryd and Robert for supporting them in attending this conference. Changes will be coming because of the vision and hard work of these students. Student agency and voice is paramount here at Painesville Primary School. Just watch this space on the changes they have envisioned!

The Swimming Program has continued to run this week and the students have loved partaking in their lessons. We all know how important it is for our children to be able to swim and have good understanding of how to be safe when in and around water. These lessons will continue on every school Monday throughout the term along with the Wednesday on the last week of term which will conclude the lessons.

Nexus Arts "Aboriginal Survival Technology" was an outstanding incursion which had every student involved in a hands on and engaging experience with Phillip Green on Wednesday. The students loved this and all had a fantastic experience with it.

As we know Mother's Day is this Sunday the 14th of May. The Mother's Day Breakfast/Morning Tea was such a beautiful time today and it was because of Sarah, Fraise and Sam who organised and cooked to ensure everyone was catered to. So many students and mums, grandma's/grandmothers, aunty's and special ladies in the lives of our students came and celebrated together the importance of acknowledging the love that each has for each other. Every one of these people is so important and needs acknowledgement on such a special occasion. Happy Mother's Day to you all for Sunday.

The Mother's Day Stall was well attended by many students who purchased gifts for their mums. Thanks to Bec for organising this and those who supported her in ensuring all kids had the opportunity to purchase something if they wanted to. Big surprises on Sunday morning mums/grandmums and special ones!!!

The Parents and Friends Group organised the Mother's Day Raffle and today the raffle will be drawn at Assembly. Good luck to all. Thank you to all those involved in organising these things and who have donated for us to celebrate Mother's Day this year. It has been a special time because of you all.

Student Attitudes to School Survey will be completed by students in grades 4 – 6 between Tuesday 16th May and Friday 26th May. The Information letter should have come home last week explaining the survey and what it entails for your child. If you would prefer your child does not take part then you would need to email the school on the school email address to opt out. Please feel free to come and have a chat if you have any further questions.

ICAS Assessments and the International Maths Olympiad Challenge are coming up later this term and in term 3. Please see the section in this newsletter with all details for you to enrol your child/ren if you would like.

Deb Mathers – Principal

[3/4 Coonawarra Camp.](#)

Our Grade 3/4 students and staff and parent helpers went to camp last week and had a ripper of a time.

This is what some of the students had to say about it;

"At camp the flying fox was my favourite activity. When I hopped on it it felt like was flying and free." - Iley Trease

"The activities were my favourite thing because like the flying fox made me feel like I was a bird flying. The giant swing was fun to pull people up high but when it was my turn, I went the max! When they counted down 3, 2, 1 I had to pull a yellow rope to go down. It was so scary!" - Paige White

"I was really sad the first night because I missed my family. The next day I was fine. I loved the flying fox and the giant swing. It was fun. I'm very thankful that the teachers took us to a really nice camp. I was scared on the giant swing and the flying fox. The climbing wall was okay. It was a little bit scary." - April Wyntjes

"For the giant swing I was one of the last people to do it. When you were on it everyone had to pull the rope until you said stop. I went half-way. You had to pull the yellow wire to swing. It was the best activity to do!" - Sophia Terrick

"The food at camp was great. The activities were fun and canoeing was my favourite. Walter, Nathan, T.J and Harley were in my cabin." - Ollie Gaffney

"Camp was fun. I liked the giant swing and the rock climbing wall." - Mayhem Ngwhika

"We went on the flying fox and I felt nervous to go on it because it was high in the middle and you dropped down when you jumped off the platform." - Jayden Barley

"My favourite thing at camp was canoeing because Nate splashed water at me. I tried to splash him back but I flipped the canoe!" - Ziya Kara

"I loved the giant swing because I went really high and it was scary!" - Elijah Owen-Marchbank



Swimming Program GOING ALONG SWMMINGLY.

These two Grade 6's say....

Prep Re-enactment!! Haha.



GRIP Student Leadership Conference in Sale.

ON MONDAY THE STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM WENT TO SALE WITH MR FLOYD FOR A LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. WE LEARNT ABOUT HOW TO BE A BETTER LEADER, HOW TO GET MORE IDEAS READY SO WE CAN HAVE CLUBS AND NEW ADDITONS TO OUR SCHOOL. WE ARE EVERY HAPPY TO BE ADDING TO OUR SCHOOL SO WE CAN HAVE A BETTER TIME AND ENJOY IT LOTS.

BY MADDISON AND SYLAH



WALK TO SCHOOL SAFELY DAY.

Next Friday the 19th of May is Walk Safely to School Day!

At 8:30am, students can meet at the playground at the Ashley Street end of Coast Avenue. We will walk to school with Trinity and Jaime and a few other adults and family members. We will be leaving shortly after 8:30am. Students can be dropped off at the playground by their carers or walk there from home if they live nearby.

Parents, carers, and other family members are welcome to join in the walk to school. Temporary Walk to School tattoos will be given to all who participate to help promote this important day.



This event seeks to promote better health, road safety, and caring for the environment. Walking to school encourages a more active and healthy lifestyle, and can help concentration and learning. Walking to school helps students to learn important road safety skills and rules.

Please inform Trinity or Jaime, or your classroom teacher if you would like to participate.

SCIENCE WITH ELEANOR IN 5/6

On Wednesday a person came into the 5/6 classroom to do science, that person was Charlotte's mum (Eleanor). Eleanor showed 5/6 about how our bodies process food and we had to make a poster about the inside of our bodies. We then did an experiment. First, we mashed up banana and some crackers together then added water and orange juice. Next, we put it into a bag and added some food coloring. Last we put the mush into the stocking and slid it through till it came out. The stocking acted like our small intestine. Our small intestine is 5 meters long.

I thought the experiment was fun but some people in the class got grossed out.

By Tera



OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACADEMIC COMPETITION AND ENGAGEMENT BEYOND THE CLASSROOM.



ICAS ASSESSMENTS

ICAS Assessments will return to Paynesville Primary School this year for students in grades 4 – 6 who wish to be part of these. We encourage you to consider entering your child in ICAS. This fantastic assessment program allows students to challenge themselves and be recognised for their academic efforts. The assessment is now fully online and sitting dates will commence in Term 3. Learn more by visiting [icasassessments.com](https://www.icasassessments.com). Notes have gone home to these students this week. Parents will be responsible for signing their children up and paying for the tests they wish their children to take part in.

ONLINE SIMULATED MATHS OLYMPIAD (OSMO)

The Online Simulated Maths Olympiad (OSMO) conducted by the International Maths Olympiad Challenge (IMOC) is available for our students this year if they would like to take on the challenge. It will be conducted online on June 3-4, 2023. (This is on a weekend so your child would need to have a device and do this at home). Since we are a Selected School, our students can take the Olympiad without fees. There are a couple of value-added services the Olympiad provides, which attract a fee, but you can opt for the 'Olympiad only' free version. To do so, you must first create a [login](#) and enrol at <https://www.international-maths-olympiad.com/fees/> using the code (PPS@IMO) in the [fees](#) section. This code reduces the fees of any of the 4 Selected School courses by \$27, making the first course ('Olympiad only') a free version.

You can find all details regarding the Olympiad here www.international-maths-olympiad.com/selected-schools. For any queries, you can directly write to support@international-maths-olympiad.com

Staff Member of the Week

As staff we are living our school values everyday and acknowledging the work each of us as staff does to promote and show these values. The staff member of the week for this week is Brianna Tomkins.





Paynesville P.S. Values Awards.



Value of the Week: RESPECT.

Students identified by staff this week to be demonstrating our School Values.

Amelia Longey. P/1... Is always respectful of her classmates feelings.

Zahara Terrick. P/1... Is always respectful of her classmates.

Annabell Longey. 5/6... For showing respect and resilience around all others at the Lawn Bowls State Championships.

Charlie Stein. 2... For great sportsmanship in P.E.

Ricky Rowed. 2... For always being kind and respectful.

Mia Payne. 2... For showing respect and kindness while helping other students.

Nate Carpenter. 3/4... For the respectful way he asked to have the sandpit shed opened.

Paige White. 3/4... For always being polite and respectful to staff and her classmates.

Elijah Owen-Marchbank. 3/4... By being independent on camp. You were a pleasure to have in our group.

Japleen Kaur. 3/4... For showing herself kindness and overcoming her fears to complete the high ropes course on camp.

Amelia Cipak. 3/4.... For respectful language and behaviour.

April Wyntjes. 3/4.... For being respectful by speaking politely in class.

Spencer O'Riley. 5/6... For always showing respect to adults and students.

Mahlia Owen-Marchbank. 5/6... For always doing her best and showing respect to everyone at Paynesville Primary School.

Austin Burke. 5/6... For being respectful to his peers at Tee-Ball practice.

Issabell Longey. 5/6... For always listening carefully and following instructions.

Lacey Kiss. 5/6... For using good manners at all times.

Well done to all these students as well as so many others across the school that have worked to display actions showing our value of Respect this week.

COME & PLAY!

 Netball Australia's Official Introductory Program

Woolworths NetSetGO Centre:
Paynesville Football Netball Club

Session Day & Time:
Tuesdays - 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Location:
A.J. Freeman Reserve, Paynesville

Contact:
Katie Garth - 0406 713 890

Further Information:
<https://netball.com.au/netsetgo>



Want \$500 to help you with school costs?



Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- ✔ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card **AND** an eligible Centrelink payment*
- ✔ Be studying yourself **OR** have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- ✔ Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- ✔ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:

Jade or Sharon

enquiriesp@berrystreet.org.au

1300 610 355

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