NEWSLETTER

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

Breakfast Club | Mon-Fri 8:30-8:50 in the Kitchen
Lunch Orders | Mondays
Assembly | Fridays 2:50 in the Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 2
Monday 12th October - Golf Clinics - all classes every Monday for 5 weeks
Friday 16th October - Pre Prep Transition - every Friday for 8 weeks

Week 3
Monday 19th October
Responsible Pet ownership incursion
Golf Clinic

Week 4
Wednesday 28th October
Seussical Performance 6pm
Thursday 29th October
Seussical Performance 6pm

Week 5
Monday 2nd November
Pupil Free Day
Tuesday 3rd November
Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Thursday 5th November - Grade 2 Sleepover

Week 10
Thursday 10th December - Christmas Disco

Week 11
Monday 14th December - Grade 6 Graduation
Tuesday 15th December - Grade 6 Activities Day
Tuesday 15th December - Final Assembly 2:15pm
Wednesday 16th December - Final day for students 3:15pm finish

Welcome to Term 4!

We hope you all had an enjoyable break and it has been great to see everyone again!

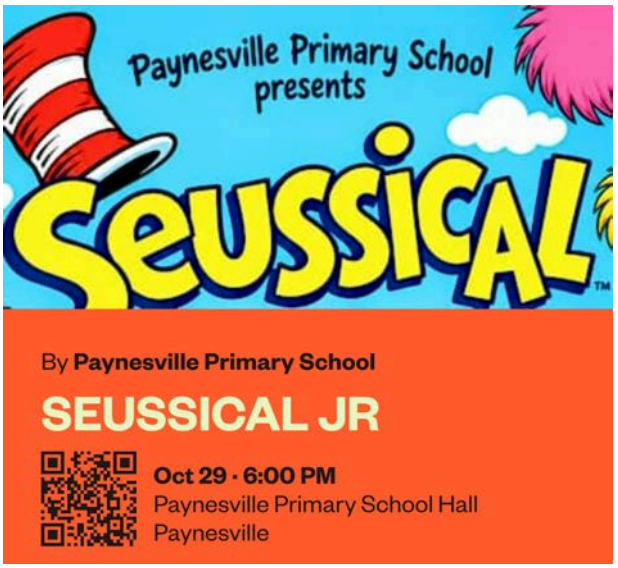
Seussical Jr. rehearsals are in full swing.

The team, led by Mrs Serena Jefferis are practising and refining their performances and it sounds wonderful. Costumes and props are being developed and adapted and backstage is becoming more professional every day!

We are proud of the way all the students are taking on their roles and characters and conducting themselves like stars!

Our shows are on Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th of October. Entry is free however please use the following QR codes to book tickets:





Principal's Report

Hi everyone,

Welcome back to term 4. It has been a great start. Students have been rehearsing and getting ready for their Seussical Jr performances on the evenings of Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th October. Our Summer Sports Cricket and Volleyball teams competed in Bairnsdale last week and represented themselves and the school demonstrating our school values and enjoying their day.Our Lawn bowls team is practising getting themselves prepared to go to the State Final on Wednesday 11th October at Deer Park. Our Regional Athletics team is competing in Newborough today and we look forward to hearing about and celebrating their results.

Our Preps for 2027 started their Pre-Prep transition last Friday which commenced successfully and was attended by excited and energetic students. The program is run by our Prep team and they do a fantastic job of getting the classroom structures and routines in place to support the learning and wellbeing of these students. We look forward to seeing them back again this Friday.

Regular school attendance is essential for students to thrive, both academically and socially. Every day at school provides valuable opportunities for students to engage in ongoing learning, build on their knowledge and skills, and develop the confidence they need to succeed.

Learning is a continuous journey, with each lesson building on the one before it. When students attend school consistently, they are better able to maintain their learning progress, participate in classroom discussions, ask questions, collaborate with others and feel a sense of achievement. Even occasional absences can make it challenging to keep up with new concepts and maintain a strong connection to classroom learning.

Just as importantly, **school is a place of connection and belonging.** Attending school regularly allows students to strengthen friendships, develop positive relationships with teachers and peers, and practise important social and emotional skills such as communication, cooperation, empathy and resilience. These daily interactions help students feel connected, supported and valued as members of our school community.

We recognise that there are times when illness or other circumstances make absence unavoidable. However, where possible, we encourage families to make regular attendance a priority and to plan holidays and appointments outside school hours.

Every day matters. Every connection counts. Every learning opportunity makes a difference.

Thank you for partnering with us to support your child's learning, wellbeing and sense of belonging. By working together to promote regular attendance, we can help every student make the most of their time at school and build strong foundations for lifelong learning and positive relationships.

Deb Mathers - Principal



Apply now to enrol your child in Foundation (Prep) for 2027

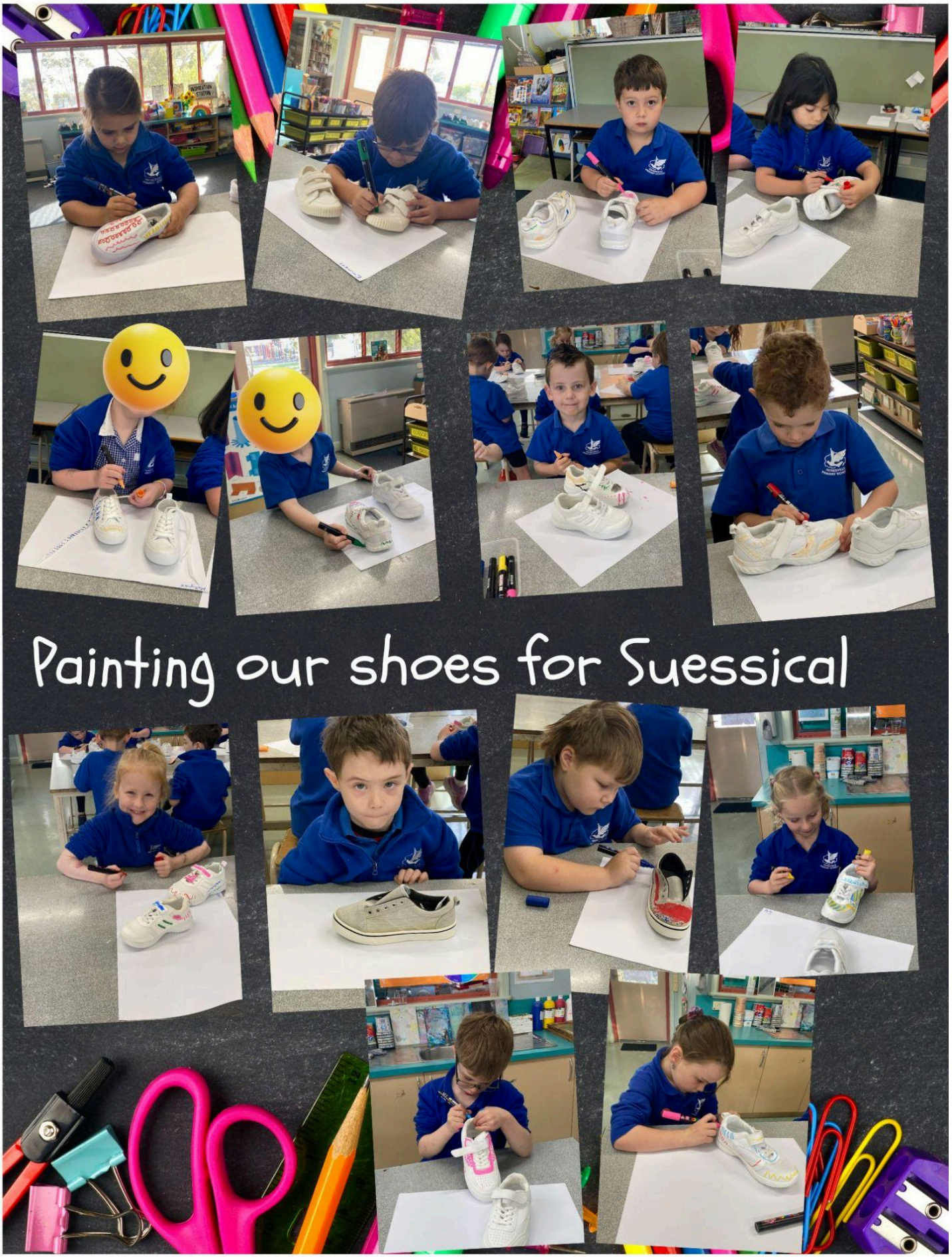
If you have a child starting primary school in 2027, **it's time to enrol**!

If you are enrolling the sibling of a student at our school for Foundation in 2027, and both children will be attending our school at the same time, your child is prioritised for a place at our school.

It is important to submit your enrolment application to us as it will ensure your child is included in all **transition activities** if offered enrolment at our school. This also allows us to plan our classrooms, staffing and transition activities, and ensures your child has the best start to school.

For more information, please read about how to enrol your child in Foundation at vic.gov.au/enrollingfoundation-prep.

If you would like to enrol your child in Foundation (Prep) in 2027, please contact our school office on **5156 6334** or **paynesville.ps@education.vic.gov.au** to book a **school tour** or request an **application form**.


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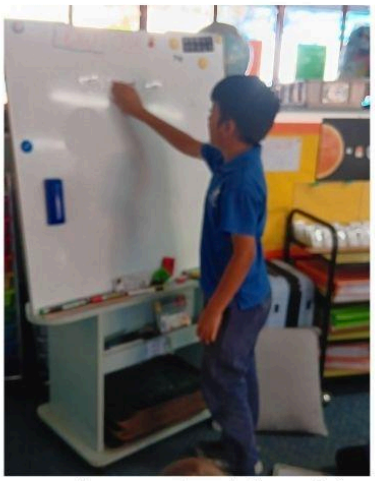
A day in the life of Grade 1/2

phonics









This term we thought we'd give you a glimpse into what we do each day in our classroom. Grade 1-2 s tarts each morning with a phonics lesson. We sit on the floor with our whiteboards and do lots of different activities to help us read and spell words correctly. This year we have mainly focused on learning different ways to spell the vowel sounds in words. We practise writing words with new spelling patterns on our whiteboards; make words on the big whiteboard; build words by adding prefixes and suffixes; write dictation sentences and learn spelling rules for the new spelling patterns.







GRADE 234

WEEK 1 NEWSLETTER

HI FROM MISS SARGANT

HI EVERYBODY

Welcome back to TERM 4! I can hardly believe it!

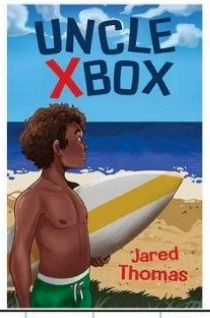
We have a big term ahead with Golf clinics starting on Mondays, progress testing of students, a school disco coming up and of course - practise practise practise for our production in a few weeks.
Well done to Frankie, Wyatt, Jaylen & Jay who accompanied us to Summer Sports in Bairnsdale - you all played really well.

Don't forget to bring in costumes if you need to still!

READING

After looking at our NAPLAN data, our senior area has found that students needed practise in inferring emotions of characters based on clues in the text such as body language or things that they are saying. Often books don't say "he was feeling sad" but instead "he shrugged his shoulders as he looked away with tears filling his eyes" - and without the extra practise, it can be very tricky to pinpoint emotions in a piece of literature.

We have begun reading our text this term - UNCLE XBOX and the kids are already really enjoying reading along as a class and then exploring different vocabulary from the text.



WRITING

We have started off the term learning how to write factual recounts - using the British Colonisation of Australia as our topic. It's been very interesting and the kids are enjoying learning more about our history.



MATHS

We are throwing ourselves into fractions to start off the term! We have talked about where fractions are used along with building our own fraction walls to look for equivalent fractions in the future.

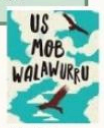




5/6 H CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

October 2026

What We Learned



Literacy

Our mentor text this term is 'Us Mob Walawarru' by David Spillman and Lisa Wilyuka. Events in the story connect to the 1967 Referendum for First Nations rights in Australia.

Mathematics



We are currently learning about time. Telling time on analogue clocks and converting between 12 and 24 hour time can be difficult to learn. What you can do: Support your child by having them tell you the time!!

S.T.E.A.M

This week our students took on an engineering challenge - which shaped paper column is the strongest? They made a circle, square and triangle column and tested the strength by seeing which column would hold the most books!!

Reminders

Lunch Orders
Please make sure your child's lunch order is clearly labelled with **5/6 H and student name**! All lunch orders are being delivered to classrooms and this will make sure they get to the correct classroom!

Upcoming Events

- Suessical Performance

  October 28 & 29th



Contact Info

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Grade 5/6 Floyd

What's Been Happening

Term 4 is here! Students have made a great start to a busy start to our new term.
Rehearsals for our Seussical Performance have ramped up and it has been great to see students work together positively during this experience.
Students that competed in Summer Sports were fantastic throughout the day. Everyone was supportive and gave their chosen sport their best shot.
Our training continues for State Lawn Bowls competition.
If you need to contact me please feel free to email me on Jarryd.Floyd@education.vic.gov.au



What We've Been Learning

In reading we have been learning about character emotions and how to use clues from the text to infer these. We have started our class novel for this term, Us Mob Walawurru.
Students have been writng a factual recount about the 1967 Referendum.
We have started our unit on time. Students have been learning how to tell the time on an analogue clock and converting between 12-24 hour time.



Upcoming Events

28th & 29th October- Seussical Performance

2nd Nov- Pupil Free Day

11th Nov- State Lawn Bowls

FOOD TECH





It is wonderful to be back in the kitchen!

To start this term, we are focusing on the use of measuring spoons and cups. Working on correctly reading, filling, and converting between the different sizes.

Cheese and Bacon Scones were our first creation this term, and they were delicious!






Values Award Winners for Term 3 Weeks 10 and Term 4 Week 1

Students identified by staff to be demonstrating our school values

Angus Unthank **Vera Cooper** **Frankie D'Arcy**

Evelyn Korhecz **Arabella Guarnaccia** **Frankie Molinaro**

Levi Reinke **TJ Tavai** **Wyatt Radnell**

Well done to all these students that have worked to show our school values.

Eventbrite link for bookings:
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/seussical-jr-tickets-2002977065321?aff=oddtdtcreator



Late Arrivals Add Up

The beginning of the school day is used to set students up for academic and social success and support their wellbeing and behaviour.

The start of the school day is used to...

Get students settled in and ready to learn.

Go through daily routines, expectations and timetable.

Build relationships with between students, their peers and staff.

Model, explain and teach the first learning experiences before independant learning time.

You can support your child to get to school on time by...

Making sure they get to bed early and get enough sleep.

Supporting them to develop a consistent morning routine.

Sending them to Breakfast Club at school 8:30-8:55 every day.

Contacting the school to discuss how we can support you and your child to get to school on time.



Affordable School Uniforms program

Our Affordable School Uniforms program ensures that Victorian government school students have access to the clothing, footwear and items they need to participate fully in school life.

By supplying essential items directly to schools, we remove barriers to engagement and help students feel included from day one. The program reaches approximately 85 per cent of Victorian government schools and supports families experiencing financial hardship with discreet, school-based delivery.

East Gippsland Children's Expo 2026

Friday 23rd October • 2pm - 6pm • Bairnsdale Squash & Table Tennis Centre

64 Great Alpine Road, Lucknow

Children's Week 2026



Free Entry, Activities & BBQ plus Giveaways & Prizes!

- Welcome to Country
- Cultural Connect Dance Group
- Jumping Castles & Soft Play Area
- Face Painting
- Designated Quiet Space
- Stalls & Entertainment
- Coffee Van ($)
- Games & Activities
- Dance & Gymnastics
- Library - Reading for Kids









Ages 0 - 12

Meet & Greet with Bluey & Fireman Sam! 2.30pm, 3.30pm & 4.30pm

Children have the right to use their own language, celebrate their culture, and practise their religion

For more information contact
Rachael: 0409 355 043

Learn to Skate – Social Skate – Roller Dance

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TERM 4 DATES

OCTOBER

SATURDAY 10TH 10:30AM
SUNDAY 18TH & 25TH 9:30AM

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY 8TH 9:30AM
SATURDAY 14TH 10:30AM
SUNDAYS 22ND & 29TH 9:30AM

DECEMBER

SATURDAY 12TH 10:30AM





$15 PER SKATER PER SESSION

COURT 3, BARC BAIRNSDALE

SKATE HIRE $5 - PRE BOOKING RECOMMENDED

2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH 10:30 - 11:30AM
MOST OTHER SUNDAYS 9:30 - 10:30AM

Arrive 10 minutes early to allow for maximum skate time!

Join us for the best fun on wheels! Suitable for most ages. Family Friendly!
Skate Victoria Insurance required.