NEWSLETTER

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 6
Wed 11th Nov - State Lawn Bowls - Melbourne
Week 7
Mon 16th Nov - Golf Clinic
Tue 17th Nov - Grade 6 Rotary Award Presentation Night
Week 8
Wed 25th Nov - Big Lunch
Fri 27th Nov - Pre Prep Transition last day
Fri 27th Nov - Bairnsdale Secondary College Transition Tour 9.30am – 11.30am
Week 9
Mon 30th Nov - Nagle College Transition Day
Tue 1st Dec - Nagle College Transition Day
Wed 2nd Dec - Nagle College Transition Days
Week 10
Tue 8th Dec - Statewide Transition Day 11:30am - 1:30pm
Tues 8th Dec - Bairnsdale Secondary College Transition Day
Wed 9th Dec - Bairnsdale Secondary College Transition Day
Thu 10th Dec - Christmas Disco - 4:15 to 5:15pm
Fri 11th Dec - Market Day 1:30pm
Fi 11th Dec - Prep Graduation 2:45pm
Week 11
Mon 14th Dec - Grade 6 Graduation
- Semester 2 Reports go home
Tue 15th Dec - Grade 6 Activities Day
- Grade 1 - 5 Movie Excursion
Wed 16th Dec - Grade 6 water fight
- Final Assembly 2:15pm
- Last day for students 3:15pm finish
Thur 17th Dec - Planning day **staff only** - student free day

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday, 11 November 2026, our school community gathered to observe Remembrance Day to honour the memory of those who have served, suffered, or passed away in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. Students and staff will observe our traditional one-minute silence.

This year, our service took place gathered around the Lone Pine on our school grounds.We encouraged all students to wear a red poppy on the day as a visual symbol of respect and hope for peace.

Lest we forget.

Our School values positivity, safety, respect and learning.Students receive acknowledgment from staff for displaying these values during the week.

We also acknowledge when students are doing their personal best by giving them a token and they enter the draw to win the PB Award for the week at assembly.



Principal's Report

Hi everyone,

We are already over halfway through Term 3. As always, we have lots happening around the school and in each classroom.

Grade 2 Sleepover



It was great to see the Grade 2s arrive and get themselves set up for their sleepover in our newly renovated library space. They all had a fantastic time. Thanks to Mary and Trinity for organising and supporting this for the kids. Also a big thank you to Paige and Lisa, our parents who stayed to help as well.

State Lawn Bowls

Our Lawn Bowls Team participated in the State Lawn Bowls Finals on Wednesday at Deer Park. What an outstanding group of students who represented themselves, our school and Paynesville with pride. They demonstrated fantastic sportsmanship and supported one another throughout the day. Thank you to the parents/guardians and families who came along and supported their child to participate in this event.

A massive thank you to John and Rhonda from Paynesville Bowls Club. They, along with a few others at times, have coached these bowlers throughout the year. They have been amazing.

Class Placement for 2027

We are currently organising the grade structures for 2027. If you have any parent/guardian requests regarding your child's classroom placement, please put them in writing and submit them to me by Friday 20th November. I will endeavour to accommodate these requests if I am able. There are, however, no guarantees.

Take care

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**.



Preps Cracking Eggs in Kitchen!



A day in the life of Grade 1/2

English

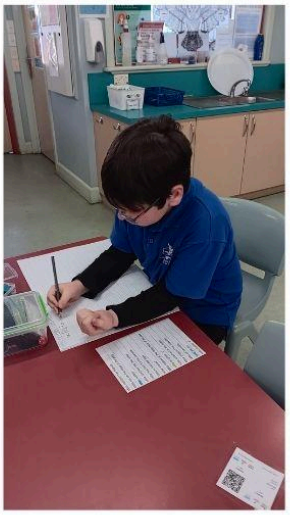








The second hour of our morning is English. We have a shared book that we focus on for 2 weeks. In the first half-hour we read the book and talk about many things: like how the characters feel, what the pictures show us, why characters act in certain ways, lessons we can learn from the story, and how to retell the story. In the second half-hour we learn about how to structure our sentences including learning about nouns, verbs, adverbs, joining words, prepositions and lots more. We often write sentences, learning how to combine these different words in different ways, and also ways to extend our sentences in our own writing.









Grade 234

WEEK 6 NEWSLETTER

HI FROM MISS SARGANT

HI EVERYBODY

We've had a busy start to our term! The kids have continued to enjoy golf lessons with Travis on Mondays!

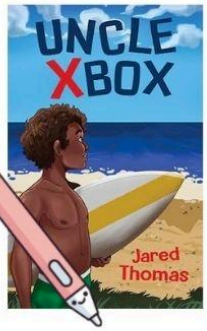
Seussical was INCREDIBLE and the kids were amazing! I can not praise their hard work, dedication and confidence enough and am so so proud.

Please make sure your child has a hat during these warmer terms!

READING

Students are continuing to read our class text - UNCLE XBOX and the kids are really enjoying reading along as a class and then exploring different vocabulary from the text.

We have looked at different books that are persuasive and tried to figure out how exactly they are persuading us! It's been a lot of fun reading books that tell us what to do.





WRITING

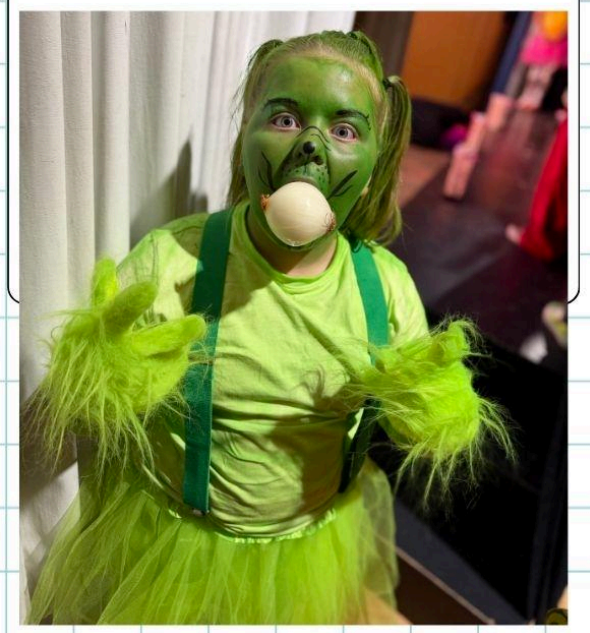
Students are currently writing persuasive texts! We have already done this at the start of the year but we're diving even deeper into what makes something persuasive.

The kids are also looking into making posters for a product that they've created from scratch - using their research in Reading lessons to pinpoint those exact strategies that make someone really want to buy something.



MATHS

In maths, we are learning about probability and statistics - which is always a popular and hands on topic.





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Term 4 2026



What we are learning

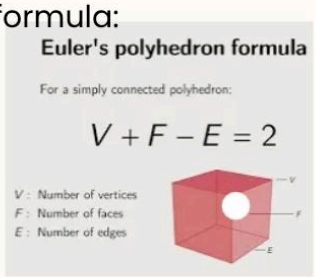
Literacy

This week students have been completing assessments for report writing! The positivity toward these assessments has been lovely to see in our class. We have read information about voting in Australia and learnt more about the Luritja people. We have practiced retelling narratives and are now working on analysing the main character, Ruby from our mentor text.

Mathematics

At the moment we are learning about the attributes of 3 dimensional shapes, including Eulers formula:





S.T.E.M

This week we looked at types of fossils and the conditions required for fossils to develop.

TRACE FOSSILS include footprints, burrows and copralites (dinosaur poo!)

Contact Info

Thankyou to those parents who have emailed in photos for graduation - keep them coming!!

Email:caroline.hudson@education.vic.gov.au

Cricket Clinic









Team Work







Grade 5/6 Floyd

What's Been Happening

What a performance! I was so proud of every child that performed in Seussical. To see how proud and excited they all were at the end was a highlight of the year for me!

Students have been excelling in their learning with great improvements in their learning. If you would like to know about your child's results feel free to come and see me.

Lots of events coming up. Our State Lawn Bowls team are competing. Students that completed their rotary awards will be presented with their certificate next week.

Transition events are happening! Students attending Bairnsdale Secondary College will be attending a school tour on 27th of November. If you need to contact me please feel free to email me on Jarryd.Floyd@education.vic.gov.au

What We've Been Learning

Students have been completing assessment. They recently completed all reading, writing, maths and spelling assessments.

We continue to read our class novel Us Mob Walawurru.
In writing we have written character analysis pieces on the main character of our class text, Ruby.

In maths we have been learning how to identify types of 3D shapes and their properties.

Upcoming Events

11th Nov- State Lawn Bowls

17th Nov- Rotary Awards

27th- Gr 6 BSC Tour

14th Dec- Gr 6 Graduation

FOOD TECH



Measuring practice has continued, and students are demonstrating good knowledge and use of our measuring cups and scales to measure grams correctly. We made mini-quiches last week, but this week we HAD to have a Halloween-themed recipe, so students put together some Monster Marshmallow Balls.



Values Award Winners for Term 4, Week 3 and 4

Students identified by staff as demonstrating our school values

Oliver McLachlan Nathan McGrath Jaxson Collins Zephaniah Prasad

Jakoby Saunders Matilda Miller Ari Tavai

Well done to all these students who have successfully shown our school values.







Nominate someone great

2027

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Scan the QR Code

This is your opportunity to nominate someone who makes an important contribution to our local community or a community group that's held an outstanding event that deserves recognition. Award categories are:

- **Citizen of the Year**
- **Young Citizen of the Year**
- **Community Event of the Year**

A copy of the nomination form can be found on our website or at any of our Service Centres.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER 2026

For enquiries call 5153 9500
or email civicevents@egipps.vic.gov.au

Australia Day
Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

Our Community, Our Young People

LOGO DESIGN SKILLS TWO-PART WORKSHOP

Turing your ideas into a logo for the Our Community, Our Young People event logo competition

Free Workshop for Young People

Lee Nickless along with the team from SkillUP, will lead a two-part workshop to help you to turn your ideas into a logo for the Our Community, Our Young People event logo competition (please see over page for details about the competition).

Workshop Dates

Part 1 - Friday 13 November 2026, 4.30–6.00pm
Part 2 - Friday 20 November 2026, 4.30–6.00pm

Workshop Location

Paynesville Neighbourhood Centre, 55 The Esplanade, Paynesville

What you'll do

- Explore logo design ideas and the design process
- Create a digital logo using iPads, Apple Pencils and a digital drawing app (iPads & Apple Pencils will be available for use during the workshops)

Who is the workshop for

The workshops are designed for young people aged 12 and up.

To register -

Scan the QR code or click here to go to the registration page

For further information contact Rachael -
0409 355 043 or rachael.ccc@outlook.com

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.

SCHOOL NURSING NEWSLETTER



FREE HEALTH, WELLBEING & DEVELOPMENT CHECKS FOR PREP STUDENTS

The Primary School Nursing Program is a free health and wellbeing service offered to all Victorian students in their first year of school.
The program aims to assist with the early identification of children with potential health, wellbeing or development concerns which may impact on their education and offers screening which may include:



Hearing | Vision | Speech | Dental | Motor Skills | Behaviour & social skills

The Primary School Nurse also provided advice, information & other health & support services



1 FINDING THEIR VOICE: SPEECH DEVELOPMENT

Communication skills are the building blocks for success. Engage in conversations with your child and encourage them to express themselves verbally. Reading aloud together and singing songs are fun ways to boost speech development!

2 CLEAR VISION FOR BRIGHT FUTURES

Healthy eyesight is essential for your child's academic success and exploration of the world around them. As parents, we can support their vision by encouraging breaks from screen time and facilitating outdoor play, giving their eyes the rest they need to thrive. It is recommended for all children commencing school to have an eye check at the optometrist. These assessments are typically free with a Medicare card at any optometrist. To find your nearest optometrist and book an appointment, visit www.optometry.org.au.

SCHOOL HEALTH PLANS

DO YOU HAVE YOUR CHILD'S HEALTH PLANS READY FOR SCHOOL?

Allergies & eczema plans available at: www.allergy.org.au
Asthma plans are available at: www.asthma.org.au
Please discuss your plans with your Family Doctor and once completed give a copy to your school.



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