

#### Shaping lives, inspiring minds

ISSUE 5 Office Hours - 8:30am to 4:00pm - Monday FEBRUARY 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 9:00am to 3.3				
CALENDAR – The week ahead	Receive our newsletter by email, please send your request to: <a href="mailto:paynesville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au">paynesville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au</a>			
TERM 1	Term Dates 2020			
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> March – Assembly 9:00am Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> March – Bowls training 2:15pm Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> March – Division Bowls tournament Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> March – Labour Day Public Holiday Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> March – Gr 5/6 Art incursion	Term 1:January 28th to March 27thTerm 2:April 14th to June 26thTerm 3:July 13th to September 18thTerm 4:October 5th to December 18th.			
	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAYS</b> Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March – Labour Day			

## Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Lots of great things happening at Paynesville Primary School this week. On Thursday this week I thoroughly enjoyed a visit to Bairnsdale Secondary College (BSC). Trudie Nagle, Principal at BSC, invited all Primary School Principals to come and connect with the students from their school who now attend the College and are Year 7. The brief was to find out how our students had found the transition to Secondary School and how they are feeling now they have attended BSC for 5 weeks. All our students are loving their time at Secondary School so far and it was wonderful to see them all. The visit made me reflect on how important it is as a primary school that we prepare students well so they can thrive academically, emotionally and socially when they enter the next milestone in their education.

#### Student Council

Our new Student Council and School Captains met for the first time this week. Students had collected ideas from their classes about what events they would like to run and things they would like to see in our school. The student council have decided to organise a 'Dress Up Like an Animal' Day to raise funds for the wildlife affected by the bush fires (details are included later in this newsletter). The students will also organise a 2 square tournament before the end of the term. Other initiatives from our student council for this term are classes sharing at Monday morning's assembly and sun screen



available in classrooms for student use. I thank our student council for their ideas and enthusiasm.

## Division Swimming Carnival



Well done to all our competitors for their performance in the Division Swimming Carnival on Wednesday this week. Everyone had an enjoyable time and huge congratulations to Anzak for gaining third place in backstroke. Anzak is pumped to be representing our school at the Regional Swimming Carnival in Warragul in two weeks time. Good luck Zak! Thanks very much to the Oates Family for lending us your minivan to transport the team to the pool.

#### Lawn Bowls

Our lawn bowls team managed to fit in three training sessions at the Paynesville Lawn Bowls Club this week. Thanks very much to Marge, Faye, David and Ivan for your expert coaching. Our skill level is definitely improving and we are very excited about next Friday's competition.





## Therapy Dog

I would like to introduce Hugh Watkinson. Hugh is a therapy dog in training and he is looking forward to working at Paynesville Primary School. As part of Hugh's training you may see Hugh in the yard before and after school. He may also sit in classrooms as he becomes familiar with the school environment.

Hugh will always be leashed and under the control of his owner Julie. We have completed a full risk assessment for Hugh's time in school. If it is your wish that your child does not interact with Hugh please let us know.

We are really looking forward to the benefits a therapy dog can bring to our students. If you have any questions about Hugh or the benefits of therapy dogs, Julie or I will be very happy to answer them.

## Interschools Gymkhana 2020



On Wednesday this week Ella, Ella and Lacey competed in the Stratford Pony Club Gymkhana at the Maffra Showgrounds. Their results are below...

Ella M	2 <sup>nd</sup> Handler, Years 6 & 7 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ridden Pony, 12-13 hands
Ella K	1 <sup>st</sup> Handler, Grade 2 & 3 4 <sup>th</sup> Rider, Grade 2 & 3 3 <sup>rd</sup> Bending Race, Grade 2 & 3 4 <sup>th</sup> Pleasure Pony 6 <sup>th</sup> F Grade 1 Round Stakes Showjumping 6 <sup>th</sup> F Grade 2 Phase Showjumping

Lacey has stepped up a grade and rode very well but didn't bring any ribbons home this time. Elise (Ella and Lacey's Mum) was very proud of all three girls. She said they showed great sportsmanship and cheered and supported each other all day amongst some fierce competition. Well done girls, we are very proud of you too.

#### Division Golf

Today Maddison, Lachlan and Harper competed in the Division Golf Tournament in Lakes Entrance. The students played extremely well and Maddison and Lachlan will now represent Paynesville PS at the regional finals in May. Fantastic effort by all 3 competitors. Thank you to Maddison's mum Julie for the updates!

## Animal Dress Up Day

On the 20<sup>th</sup> of March there will be an event held to fundraise money for the animals that were injured in the bush fires. For this day you will have the opportunity to dress up as an animal. To fundraise money you will need to bring a gold coin donation.





## State School's Relief - Getting kids back to school

Every Government School student whose family has been financially impacted during the current bushfire season can receive assistance with the cost of their return to school at the beginning of Term 1, 2020. This support covers uniform items including school shoes, books and stationery, and other essential items for school. The amount of support is \$500 for each student affected. Application forms are available at the office for those families who wish to apply.





Easter Raffle -**Donations** please...

Families are asked to donate an *Easter item via the* school office to support our Easter

raffle. We will try to have many prizes so that we can have lots of winners. We will spend the next few weeks collecting donations – raffle tickets will be coming home towards the end of next week. Raffle will be drawn on Monday March 23rd, 2020 at Assembly.

#### Easter Hat Parade

Our annual Easter Hat parade will be held on Friday March 27th, 2020. This is the last day of the term and we felt it was a great way for families to start the School Holiday break.





#### **PAYNESVILLE JUNIOR** FOOTBALL CLUB

#### **AFL AUSKICK**

16<sup>th</sup> April till 25<sup>th</sup> June

5 – 6pm on Thursday nights at

A.J. Freeman Reserve,

Main Rd, Paynesville.

Come and be apart of the fun! Everyone welcome!

Auskick Registration & Payment is online at www.aflauskick.com.au. Enquiries to Julie Kelly 0438 372 264

## Playgroup Networking Event For pre-school aged children with additional needs

## Wednesday 4th March 2020

## Bairnsdale Sporting and Convention Centre 117 Great Alpine Rd, Lucknow 10.00am - 3.00pm

- See Wacky Wombat Entertainment and experience the wonderful world of Circus activities.
- Experience fun sensory play activities in a culturally safe environment
- Receive information from local service providers for children with additional needs
- Meet other families in similar circumstances
- Receive information on how your playgroup can be easily adapted to support children with additional needs.



#### Hosted by PlayConnect

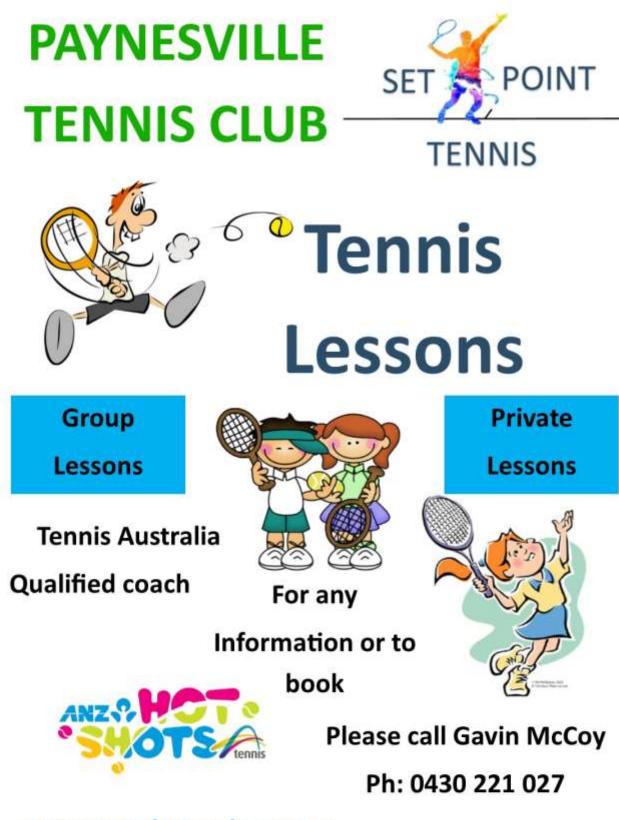
PlayConnect is a national program of playgroups that offer play-based learning opportunities for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) or who display ASD like characteristics. The program also creates extended social support networks for their families and carers.

The Playgroups aim to connect families and carers to resources available in their local area. At PlayConnect, families can gain support, meet other caregivers, and relax in a safe, understanding environment. The sessions are facilitated and provide activities and programs specifically to cater to the children's developmental and behavioural needs.

> For enquiries about this event please contact Vicki McDonald at Playgroup Victoria on 1800 171 882 or at vmcdonald@playgroup.com.au This event will be facilitated by Rose McKenna



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# Paynesville PS Calendar TERM 1&2

Please note any changes to the calendar have been highlighted in RED.

<u>TERM 1 2020</u>									
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
<u>MAR 1</u>	2	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	Z			
Boat rally	ASSEMBLY 9:00am Bowls Training 2:15pm		Home made Ice Cream \$1		Division Bowls tournament				
<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>			
	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	INCURSION: East Gippsland Art Gallery visiting Grade 5/6							
<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>			
	ASSEMBLY 9:00am		School Council Finance 5:30pm School Council AGM 6:15pm		Dress up like an animal day				
<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>			
	ASSEMBLY 9:00am Easter Raffle Drawn				END OF TERM 1 Easter Hat Parade				
<u>TERM 2 2020</u>									
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
<u>APR 12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>			
	EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	TERM 2 BEGINS							
<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>			
	ASSEMBLY 9:00am					ANZAC DAY			
<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> May</u>	<u>2</u>			
	ASSEMBLY 9:00am								