# Paynesville Primary School Primary School

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#### Office Hours - 8:30am to 4:00pm - Monday to Thursday 9:00am to 3.30pm – Friday

DECEMBER

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

**NOVEMBER** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Talent Quest Final Fri 27<sup>th</sup> – Prep Transition Day Fri 27<sup>th</sup> - Bairnsdale Secondary College G6 Tour

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> – School Council Meeting Mon 7<sup>th</sup> – Prep Graduation (online) Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Sailing Fri 11<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Sailing Mon 14<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 Graduation Lunch Wed 16<sup>th</sup> – Last day for students Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> and Fri 18<sup>th</sup> – Pupil Free Days

#### Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The weeks are racing by and we are all continuing to enjoy being at school after such a long time remote learning throughout this year. As South Australian schools went to remote learning this week I was so grateful that our COVID numbers are going so well in Victoria and we can enjoy or new COVID normal lifestyle.

I would like to draw your attention to some important dates that are coming up before the end of the year. The dates to remember section above has the key dates for your calendars. The final day of the year for students will be Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December and we will finish at the usual time with staggered pickups starting from 3:10pm.

Due to COVID restrictions this year our graduation ceremonies will be quite different. We will celebrate these occasions with the students at school and will have a live stream for parents to view from home. Classroom teachers will send out information with log in details, times and other information in the next couple of weeks. The Prep Graduation will be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December and the Grade 6 Graduation will be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December.



## Bairnsdale Secondary

#### College Visit

This morning nine of our Grade 6 students who will be attending Barinsdale Secondary College next year completed an orientation tour of the college. This provided an excellent opportunity for our students to become familiar with this exciting next stage in their educational journey. Mr Floyd enjoyed seeing past Paynesville Primary Schools students thriving and was amazed at how much they had all grown up.

## Grade 3/4 Maths

Grade 3/4 students finished their unit on fractions by doing 'A fraction of my brain...' activity. They divided their brains into activities or things they enjoy and then assigned a fraction to each making sure the sum of the numerators equalled the denominator of their fractions. Well done Grade 3/4's, what a great activity!



#### Transition

Our transition program is in it's second to last week, the final sessions will be held next Friday. Mrs Stringer and Brianna have really enjoyed getting to know our 2021 Prep students and they are very excited to be working with them next year. All our students have had the opportunity to be part of their class groups for next year and to get to know the teachers who will be teaching their year levels. Class lists for 2021 will go home with the end of year student reports. I asked some of our senior students to interview our students to find out what they had enjoyed about the transition program, please enjoy reading their comments on the next page.

## What I have enjoyed about transition...

I have enjoyed playing games more. – Bonnie I like playing games and doing harder work. – Angus I have loved being in a class with my friends. – Emily It has been fun to meet new people. – Maddy It has been good to play new games. – Bohdi



## 2021 Teaching Staff

Jessica Sargant

I am pleased to be able to inform you of our 2021 classroom teaching staff.

Prep	Angela Stringer	Kitchen	Mrs Jefferis
		Music	Mrs Jefferis
Grade 1/2	Kate Ingram Rachel Smith	Art	Dee Howlett
Grade 3/4	Mary Sowa		

Grade 5/6 Jarryd Floyd Erin Bould



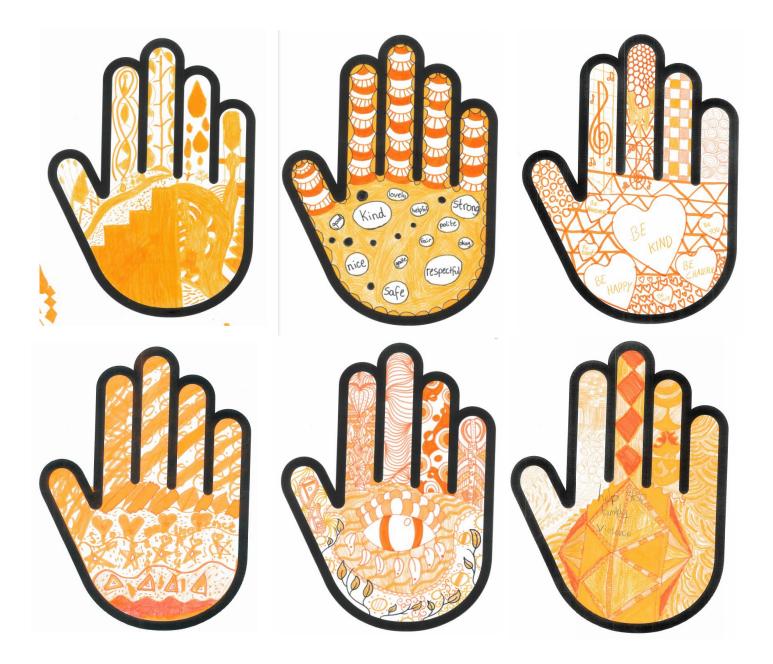
This morning while some of the Grade 6 students were at Bairnsdale Secondary College, the remaining students made catapults. Tom, Tayla and Ella perfected their shooting skills, there were some pretty powerful and accurate shots, well done team!

#### 16 Days of Activism

Paynesville Primary is proud to be involved in the 16 Days of Activism campaign. We are part of a number of East Gippsland students whose involvement sends a strong message into our communities that **'Family Violence Is Not OK'**. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this year the focus is on a strong visual awareness campaign without an actual walk, as has been held in previous years.

Using a hand stencil, students created a message or pattern that demonstrates for them the message that "family violence is not OK". All art works were completed in orange, which is the colour used to identify this campaign.

Selected hand designs will be used in poster size for display within communities during the 16 Days of Activism (25 November to 10 December 2020). Below you will see 6 of the designs created by our Grade 5 and 6 students.





### Staff vs Grade 6 Students Footy Match



Lunchtime today saw the staff battle valiantly against a younger and faster Grade 6 student team. Lots of fun was had, Mr Floyd did his best with his team, coaching them to their full potential. Miss Sowa was tackled to the ground by a student who shall remain nameless. A gripping match with students victorious in the end.



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