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#### Term 2- Week 5 at Paynesville Primary

Breakfast Club every morning in the kitchen @ 8:30.

Mon 26th – Active After School Program

Wed 28th – Aussie Hoops 1:20pm to 2:00pm

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#### COMING UP...

Leadership Camp – June 10 & 11 Coonawarra Disco – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2014 School Leaders attending Reconciliation Ceremony at Bairnsdale West

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Green Eagles	Red Swans	Gold Kookaburras	Blue Seagulls

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



Dear Students, Parents, Caregivers and Friends of Paynesville Primary School.



The highlight of the week for me was

attending the Combined East Gippsland Schools Orchestra performance at Orbost Secondary School on Thursday night. Many of Paynesville Primary Schools' music students have been travelling to Orbost throughout the week to attend rehearsals and then last night it all came together in a fantastic performance. Grade 3 students from PPS sat alongside year 12 students from Bairnsdale Secondary College, Lakes Secondary College and Orbost Secondary College. Also involved in the performance were students from Bairnsdale West, Lucknow and Orbost Primary Schools.

Students who performed were:

Charlie Broomhall (Saxophone), Connor Hammond (Saxophone), Ella Curtis-Webster (flute), Hilary Nancarrow (flute), Maddi Mellor (clarinet), Jewels Heaney (clarinet), Aleksia Watkinson (drums), Oskar Watkinson (trumpet), Cade Steenholdt (trumpet), Zara Steenholdt (Clarinet), Taylor De Kort (flute), Ben Bockmann (Clarinet), Brendon McKenzie (Saxophone), Ayla Buckley (Clarinet).

Thanks to the Mums and Dads for supporting their children – A fantastic event.

At assembly on Monday a number of our music students will be demonstrating their instrument to the school. Come along and enjoy the show.



The Orchestra in full flight!



Hilary Nancarrow and Ella Curtis-Webster during rehearsal.

Cade Steenholdt showing excellent technique and Zara in full concentration.



#### **Grade 1 Report**

Next week Grade 1 will be learning about sail boats.

By Jessica C.

#### **Student Librarian Program**

Deane Howlett is now working every Thursday afternoon on our student librarian program. Deane will be training our student librarians on how to operate a library. Our student librarians will learn a host of library skills that they will then put in to action. Our student librarians are from the senior grade and they will be rostered on to be the librarian on duty when junior grades go to the library. We have a fantastic library and this program is designed to extend and enrich our literacy programs while also providing an opportunity for advanced learning, ownership and leadership for our senior students.



Baylee Gillies, Leah Koljo, Min Min Bao, Dakota Holford, Ben Bockmann and Hilary Nancarrow ready to undertake their role as student librarians.

## Paynesville Primary School Student Office Staff program recognised by the Department of Education.

Over a year ago we put the Student Office Staff program in place where senior students can ask to be rostered on to office duty during recess and lunchtimes. Lauren trains the group in answering the phone and taking messages, welcoming visitors and a range of other roles and responsibilities. The program was featured in the paper and has been picked up by DEECD. Please use the following address to see our students on the Departments portal. Well done everyone.

https://edugate.eduweb.vic.gov.au/newse vents/featstories/Pages/Paynesville-PSprogram-a-big-hit.aspx



#### **Science Extension Program.**

This week Professor David Jones facilitated students to extend their science knowledge with Electronics Kits. Shelby, Trinity and Min Min learned about circuits, switches and other electronic components in order to make their project work! There were sirens, globes, speakers, fans, and alarms. I think the smiles on the faces of the students shows that science *is* fun!



#### **Camp Quality Puppet Show**

This week we were privilidged to see the Camp Quality Puppet Show. This entertaining and informative show taught our students a little about cancer. Some of the messages included:

- some children can be sick for more than a couple of days.
- Cancer is not contagious
- Strong medicine called
   Chemotherapy has side effects that can cause upset tummies, pale skin and your hair falling out.

I know our students were really listening when it came to question and answer time and the empathy shown was heart warming.



#### **PFA News.**

#### **Breaky Club.**

Everyone knows our kids' brains work best when fuelled!



Breaky club serves toast and warm milo in the kitchen every morning from 8:30 for those students who missed breakfast (or who think they need another breakfast). We now have a roster for breaky club. It's an easy job, a few pieces of toast, a milo or two, a quick clean up and some great conversation. If you are available to help regularly or occasionally, please put your name on the roster at the office. Thank you.

### Behool Disco.



Our school disco is coming up! Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June between 6 and 8pm. All students are invited to come and boogie

the night away!. There will be games and songs to suit all ages. Classes are putting together their music requests. Entry is free with a plate to share. Students of the SRC who assist the PFA have decided that, as parents have donated money and helped their children dress up several times recently, the parents need a rest and there will be no theme, just fun on the night and dress in your boogie best.

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We wish to acknowledge the generosity of the Paynesville Bakery on the corner of Langford Parade and The Esplanade, and the Waterview Bakery for supplying bread free of charge for our Brekky Club. Next time you are in either of these bakeries, perhaps you could convey your gratitude for their generous contribution to making this program a success. Marilyn.

## CYBER-RISKS AND SAFETY ONLINE

#### WHAT ARE YOUR CHILDREN UP TO?

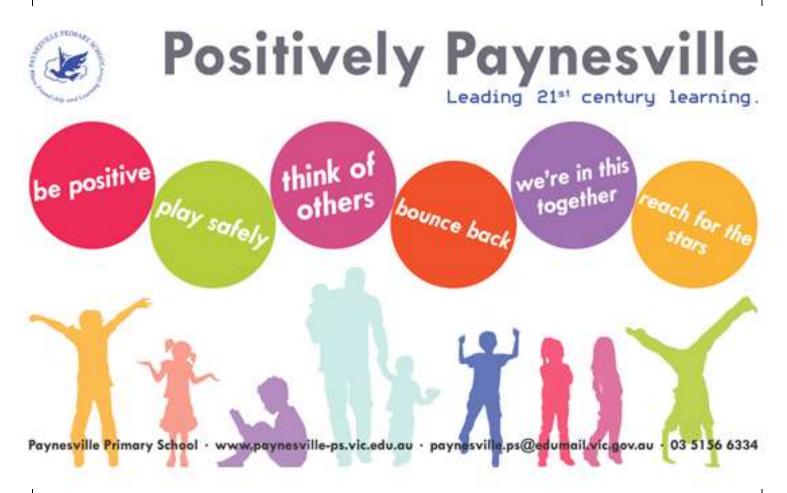


A reminder to parents that any online games that allow children to interact with other people online can be very dangerous. Please carefully monitor the games and sites that your children are signing up to and using. For example Secret Builders and Bad Eggs. While your child may be using the game/site appropriately, there is scope for other people that you do not know to interact with your child. This can put your child in danger. Paynesville students have had this message from Toni Redshaw (Victoria Police Child and Sexual Abuse Unit Bairnsdale) and I cannot support her message enough - parents need to know and monitor what their children are doing

online. Please be vigilant. There are many cases of predators using these types of platforms to "meet" children.

# Young people are at risk of unsafe, abusive, or aggressive behaviour online and through mobile phones such as: cyberbullying, sexual predation, stalking, accessing inappropriate content, sending sexually suggestive images and identity fraud.

- Recent research reveals that approximately 10 per cent of Australian students in upper primary and secondary schools experience cyberbullying every few weeks.
- Parents and teachers are often too unfamiliar with cyberspace to offer
- 'Sexting' (where nude or sexual images are sent as picture messages via mobile phone) is on the rise among young people, with most unaware of the potential consequences.
- Many young people share their username and password with friends, and many then find their user accounts misused when the friendship turns sour.
- A number of children will be targeted by an online sexual predator each year.
- Children can be particularly vulnerable to marketing offers which, if they 'sign up', result in a torrent of spam, or ongoing charges for the downloads they don't control.



Paynesville Primary School, in conjunction with community leaders, has developed 6 values that we think are paramount in creating and maintaining a positive learning environment and school community. We ask all families to discuss and promote these values with your children.