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October 30th, 2020

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

DATES TO REMEMBER:

NOVEMBER

Mon 2nd - Pupil Free Day

Tues 3rd - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

NOVEMBER

Fri 6th - Prep Transition Day

Fri 13th - Prep Transition Day

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We have had a lovely settled week at Paynesville Primary School. It was nice to have some lovely weather later in the week after a very damp start. Our Grade 3 to 6 students reflected on their camps this week and all our students were very positive about the experience, we were certainly very lucky with the weather for our camps.

Class photos were held on Thursday this week and it was wonderful to be able to get these taken. We will look forward to getting these back in the near future.

2021 Prep Transition

It was such an exciting morning today as we welcomed our 2021 Prep students to our school for their transition program. It was wonderful to meet our new prep students and their families as we prepare these students for a very exciting stage in their education. Beginning school is a significant milestone for children and their families. I have never underestimated or taken for granted the trust parents give us as educators when they send their most precious child to school. It is a privilege to share the school experience with every child who attends Paynesville Primary School.

To comply with COVID restrictions we are running four transition groups throughout the day on Fridays. Angela Stringer will be our prep teacher for 2021 and she is running our transition program with Brianna Tomkins. I checked in with Angela and Brianna after the first sessions this morning and they were both very impressed with how quickly our new students had settled into the prep room.







Whole School Transition

For the next five Fridays all our students transition to their 2021 grade. It is an opportunity for our students to learn about the classroom expectations and routines for next year. It was a wonderful morning for everyone.



Parent Survey

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Two weeks ago families were emailed links to two online surveys, I have resent these links today. One is a school based survey to collect data for our school review next term and the other is the annual Department of Education Parent Opinion Survey. If families could please complete both surveys that would be greatly appreciated. If you would like the links to be resent please contact the school office. An outline of the Department of Education Parent Opinion Survey is provided below.

DET Parent Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst all parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 12th October to Friday 13th November**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Happy Birthday Mackenzie

We all wish you a very Happy Birthday Mackenzie. Mackenzie enjoyed sharing chocolates with his class today.

World Teachers Day

Thank you very much to our wonderful teachers for the amazing job you do, we really appreciate it.



World Teachers' Day
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Thank you Victorian teachers

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