Newsletter – 13th August 2025

next week:

Monday 18th August Book Week commences

Tuesday 19th August

Pupil Free Day

Staff training

Wednesday 20th August

Thursday 21st August

Friday 22nd August

Breakfast Club 8:15 - 8:45

Book Week Dress Up Parade 9:15am departure

Assembly 2:15pm

coming up:

This Friday 15th August

Prep Celebrate 100 Days
of School

Monday 25th August Spelling Bee – Paynesville, selected students

Tuesday 26th August Gr 5/6 Art Incursion 9-10am

Grade 3/4 Swimming commences

Wednesday 27th August Gr 3-6 Melb Star Cricket clinic, selected students

Thursday 28th August

Grade 5/6 Snow Day

Thurs 4th & Fri 5th Sep

Father's Day Stall

reminders:

Prep students don't forget to look 100 years old this Friday!

Next week is Book Week

Friday 22nd August is our dress up parade.

Get ready to parade down the Esplanade.

Families are welcome to join us in the parade or watch in support.

Students will be leaving the school at 9:15, heading towards the footbridge.



Prep Celebrate 100 Day of School This Friday 15th August 2025



This Friday 15th August, our Prep students celebrate 100 days of school.

We are asking our Prep students to come to school on Friday dressed as though they were 100 years old!



Principal's Report

National Bullying week....

This week, from 11–15 August, our school will proudly take part in 'Bullying No Way Week'—Australia's national initiative to prevent bullying and build safer, more respectful school communities. This important week gives us the opportunity to deepen our shared understanding of bullying, reinforce our school's strategies, and remind every student that they have the right to feel safe, supported and included.

This Year's Theme: Be bold. Be kind. Speak up.

The 2025 theme encourages students to be courageous in the face of bullying—whether by standing up for others, showing kindness, or speaking out when something isn't right.

We know that bullying doesn't stop at the school gate. It's a community issue, and it takes all of us—students, staff, parents and carers—working together to address it. At our school, we're committed to creating an environment where everyone belongs, differences are respected, and bullying is never accepted.

Throughout the week, students will take part in classroom activities, discussions and events that promote kindness, inclusion and positive behaviours. We'll be encouraging every child to think about how they can make a difference, not just during this week—but every day. This conversation will continue to work within our already successful other programs. Whole school approaches, such as implementing the Berry Street Model, has seen our school continue to build on success. This is one of the key elements that has also fed into our students achieving outstanding literacy and numeracy results.

Parent Opinion Survey....

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

Please use the link below:

https://research.orima.com/parent

A PIN number will be published on Compass for all families to access the survey.

Thank you for your support.



Book Week....

Next week we are excited to celebrate one of the biggest events of the school year and 2025 marks an incredible milestone — 80 years of Children's Book Week! That's a lot of costumes!

This year's theme, "Book an Adventure!", invites students to set sail on the limitless journeys that reading can offer. Whether travelling through time, discovering new lands, or exploring the depths of imagination, books give our children the opportunity to learn, grow, and dream.

Throughout the week, our school will be engaging in a range of exciting activities to promote reading and creativity, as part of our ongoing focus on literacy and the importance of reading. Our big dress up day will be on Friday 22nd!! Once again, this year we will be parading around town looking for story tellers to share some of their favourite books. We will be departing school around 9;15am and parents are welcome to join the parade.

We encourage families to join in the celebration by reading together at home and talking about your own favourite book adventures....

Happy Book Week!

Simon Prior

<u>WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE</u> <u>Last week</u>	
Monday 4/08	82.11%
Tuesday 5/08	85.79%
Wednesday 6/08	85.26%
Thursday 7/08	85.79%
Friday 8/08	85.79%

Pupils of the Week - Congratulations:

Allison Mitchelson – For always letting other people learn and showing mutual respect to her peers. We are lucky to have you in our classroom Allison!

Tallara Henderson – For treating others with respect and including her friends in games and sharing equipment!

Grace Sullivan-Piefke – Grace always acts with kindness and care, working enthusiastically with all of her classmates, asking questions to fully understand their ideas. She helps create a classroom where respect and friendships grow every day! Thanks for making our class, and our school such a special place to be!

Dusty Bourke – Dusty, you have shown amazing mutual respect by listening carefully and following instructions. You're a great leader in reading groups. It has been so wonderful to see you challenge yourself, and you continue to set a positive example for others. We're so proud of you!

Riley Darcy – I loved how supportive you were on camp. Keep being a great role model!

Emilia Docherty – For always treating others with such kindness and respect. During camp you displayed all of our school values and even through some challenges, you kept a positive attitude and helped others!

Ava Lorimer – Ava always shows mutual respect with the kind and caring ways she acts in the classroom, working with all of her classmates in a happy and respectful manner!

Duke Stevens – For using your manners and always showing respect to your classmates and teachers. We love having you in our classroom. Keep it up!

Mikaela Walker - I'm so proud of the week you have had. The respect and care you show for others is truly outstanding. This is something you have shown all through this year!

Bodie Nielsen – For leading by example when following instructions and knuckling down and attempting his work before asking for help!

Drama Award – Hannan Tamimy – Hannan has shown great persistence and engagement with Drama this week. He was excited to join in and it was great seeing him have so much fun. Well done!

Phys Ed Award – Kaiden Walker – What a brilliant session you had in Phys Ed last week, your respect to your peers and educators was on point. It was the best participation I've seen from you all year! It was great to have you involved, keep it up!

STEM Award – Lukah Jack – Lukah showed mutual respect by listening attentively to his classmate, taking turns, and kindly helping him with his work while treating him with care and encouragement!

Visual Arts Award – Amelia Snell – Amelia always works hard in Art to do her best, while being respectful of those around her!





Listen to others

BE KIND!



Have a go

Let people join in

Clean up our school

When people don't want to come to school walk them in MUTUAL RESPECT IN 1/2C

Treat people the way you want to be treated. Say Sorry Helping people Don't push people

Use kind words



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Grades 3/4 Karoonda Camp

Congratulations to our Grade 3/4 students, for successfully completing the Karooonda Camp.



Prep Number Bugs

Prep students have been working hard to make Number Bugs! Check out their creations!













BUILD A BUG



Auskick at LEPS

Tom from AFL visited LEPS last week to run some Auskick sessions with our Grade 1/2 students. If your child wants to do some more, Tom will be running Auskick at school Wednesday afternoons 3:30pm-4:30pm, starting **Wednesday the 13th August (tonight)!**

Follow the link to sign up!

https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/41bdc5









Are you able to offer help on the Father's Day Stall?

We need volunteer helpers for Thursday 04.9 9-11am

> Friday 05.9 11-11.30am

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