



A Rich Past,
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NEWSLETTER

Friday 22nd November, 2024

Term 4: Week 7



DIARY DATES

Monday 25th November

Waratah Beach Camp

Tuesday 26th November

Waratah Beach Camp

Wednesday 27th Nov.

Waratah Beach Camp

Friday 29th November

Prep Transition

CFA visit

Monday 2nd December

David Skinner dance

Tuesday 3rd December

School Concert

Friday 6th December

Latrobe excursion Gd 4-6

Monday 9th December

David Skinner dance

Tuesday 10th December

Year 7 Orientation day

Wednesday 11th Dec.

Reports released

Final Prep transition

Monday 16th December

David Skinner dance

Grade 6 Graduation

Thursday 19th December

Melbourne Zoo excursion

Prep—3

Principal's Report

2025 PLANNING

As it is now over half way through Term Four, we are at the point of finalising decisions for 2025. Currently we are working towards locking in enrolment numbers, determining the 2025 class structure and finally, allocating teachers to their roles and responsibilities.

I wanted to let you know a little more about the process. You will understand that being a small school, our class structure is fluid and is determined by numbers and social groupings.

Our class structure for next year will be:

Prep

Grade One

Grade 1/2

Grade 2/3

Grade 3/4

Grade 4/5

Grade 6

Our next step will be to work on class compositions. There are many factors which are taken into account when making these decisions. One of those factors is parent input. It is time for me then to ask that you please request **in writing** to the school email: panton.hill.ps@education.vic.gov.au if you would like to inform the school of any *special circumstances* around student combinations or any other concerns. There isn't a lot of flexibility in some year levels, however, we always try our best to accommodate your suggestions.

Please note that parents are unable to make suggestions about specific teaching staff.

We have a deadline of one week for requests to be made by parents. Submissions made after **Sunday the 1st of December** will not be considered so please pop the date in your diary.

585 Main Rd. Panton Hill – Ph: 9719 7202
www.pantonhill.vic.edu.au

Please note that we will also give the students an opportunity to list up to five friends and we will ensure that they are with **at least one** if not more so please only email if there are other special circumstances which apply to your child. Where a parent has asked for something which is conflicting to a student's request we will honour the parents' wishes. This may result in your child not getting any of their friend requests.

Once the parent input deadline has closed, I will update you on the next steps of organising classes and teachers.

Thankyou to everyone for your support and understanding as we complete this somewhat complex task. Please call if you have any questions.

ZOOPER DOPER THURSDAY!

Our wonderful grade 6 students prepared and served some Zooper Doopers at lunch on Thursday to some very grateful and excited students. We managed to raised **\$121** through Zooper Dooper sales and we all have one question from the students ... when will we do it again?



MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

The Yarra Plenty Regional Library Bus visits Panton Hill every Tuesday morning. All classes have the opportunity to visit the bus and borrow books, DVD, audio books or magazines. The Library bus is open to all members of the public and is parked in Panton Hill from 9-11am every Tuesday morning. Just a reminder to keep this space clear of cars during this time.



DAVID SKINNER

We have started our annual tradition of having David Skinner attend Panton Hill to teach our students a variety of dances. Our grade 6 students have started working on their dance for graduation. What a great experience and tradition for our students to take part in.

PREP TRANSITION

Our second prep transition was held last week for our 16 new prep students who are joining us in 2025. It was wonderful to see their confidence increasing each session. During our next transition session our new preps will meet their grade 6 buddy for the first time. We can't wait!

CAMP NEXT WEEK

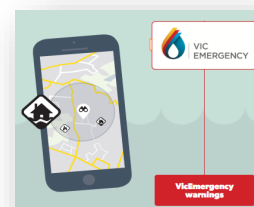
Our year 3-6 students are off to Waratah Bay Beach Camp from Monday to Wednesday next week. We hope they have a great time surfing, participating in adventure activities, and building their resilience and collaboration skills. We can't wait to hear all about their adventures when they return!



BEACH CAMP P/L

BUSHFIRE AWARENESS—VIC EMERGENCY APP

As we head into the bushfire season we highly recommend all parents and carers download the Vic Emergency App and set up 'watch zones' for home, school, and work. The school will contact families if we are aware of an incident that may hinder pick up or drop off.



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PHPS Artworks



The Grade 3/4's had a wonderful time blowing ink with straws, to create an interesting background. They then printed their selected leaf in the colour of their choice over the top. The final stage involved decorating the balsa wood insects with Posca Paint and placing it on their background for maximum effect. We were all very impressed with the final results.



The Prep grades have just completed their lions! They painted 'golden' colours to cut up for the mane after completing a guided drawing of how to draw a lion's face. 'Squiggly scissors' were chosen by some to make the mane look more like hair. Blue food dye was used for the background. All are individual masterpieces worthy of the fridge.



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PANTON HILL JNR FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB



CALLING UNDER 12 GIRLS

Ruby, a Smiths Gully local, is thrilled to help lead our girls football program. Currently a member of the PHFC senior women's team, she can't wait to coach our inaugural U12 girls footy team in 2025.

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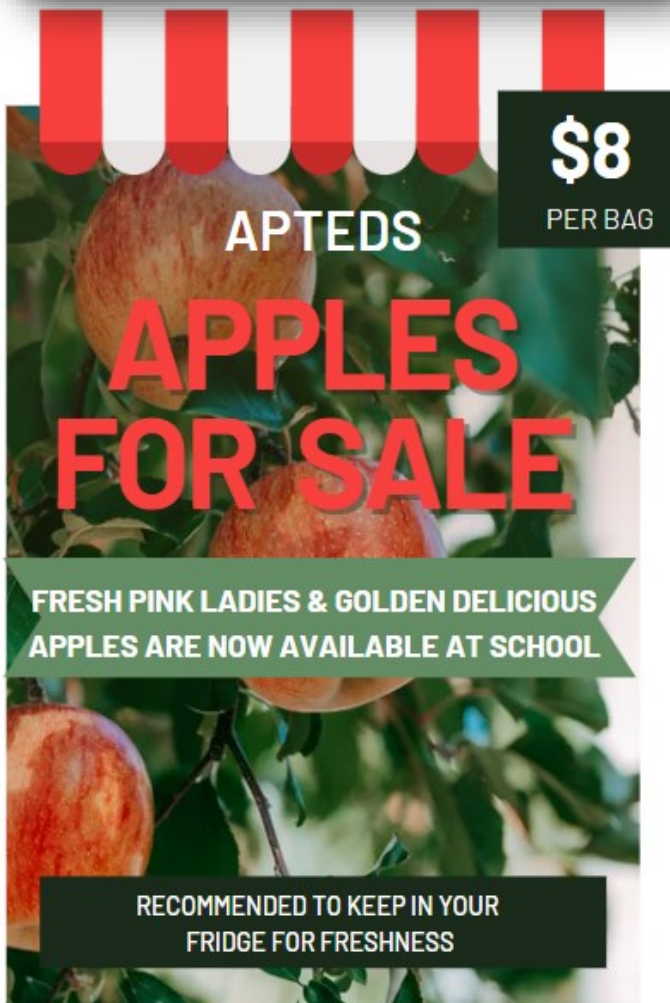
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Important Dates

Term dates

	Start date	Finish date
Term One	Monday 29th Jan—Teachers Tuesday 30th Jan—Students	Thursday 28th March (2:30pm)
Term Two	Monday 15th April	Friday 28th June (2:30pm)
Term Three	Monday 15th July	Friday 20th Sep (2:30pm)
Term Four	Monday 7th October	Friday 20th Dec—(1:30pm after assembly)

Public Holidays

Term One	Labour Day	Monday 11th March
Term One	Good Friday	Friday 29th March
Term Two	ANZAC Day	Thursday 25th April
Term Two	King's Birthday	Monday 10th June
Term Four	Melbourne Cup	Tuesday 5th November

Pupil Free Days

Term One	Curriculum Day	Monday 29th January
Term One	Curriculum Day	Friday 8th March
Term Two	Curriculum Day	Friday 26th April
Term Three	Pupil Free Day (3 way conf.)	Wednesday 24th July
Term Three	Professional Practice/Planning Day	Thursday 19th September
Term Four	Curriculum Day	Monday 4th November

Other

Term 2	School Photos	Tuesday 23rd April
Term Four	Grade 3-6 Camp	Monday 25th November—Wednesday 27th November
Term Four	School Concert	Tuesday 3rd December
Term Four	Graduation	Monday 16th December

Please refer to our Xuno calendar for additional school event dates throughout the terms.

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HOW TO ENROL

Go to our website:
www.whittleseamusic.com/enrolment/

Complete the online enrolment form, ensuring you choose the correct campus, preferred lesson duration and preference of instrument.

We will then be in touch between 12-5 Monday to Friday with enrolment confirmation and to chat about your child/children's needs.



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