Dear Parents,

It was with great enthusiasm that I arrived at Pinewood last Wednesday. I feel very privileged to have been selected as your new principal and, as stated in my ‘Letter of Introduction’, look forward to working with all of our school community in taking Pinewood to its next stage of growth and development. I would like to thank Mr. Maurice Baker, in particular, for ensuring my smooth transition into Pinewood.

WELCOME BACK
Welcome to all of our new families and the families returning to Pinewood.

A special welcome to our new Prep students and their families. I’m sure you will enjoy your time at our school. The new Preps were thrilled to meet their Year 6 buddies again and have made a great start to their time at Pinewood.

2015 promises to be a very exciting year! The building project is nearing completion and it is anticipated that ‘handover’ will be towards the end of February. The Pinewood facilities are truly magnificent, with many young students already enjoying playtimes in the wonderful courtyard sandpit and water play area.

STAFF
We also welcome four new teachers to our school. Miss Amy Ashcroft teaching year 1, Mrs Kathryn Bleechmore, teaching Year 3, Miss Alyssia McGill teaching Year 4, Miss Yalenka Clement teaching Year 5. We also welcome back from leave Mrs Jess Murphy and Mrs Maria Kovas.

Miss Sandra McGregor is Acting Assistant Principal, and is being replaced by Tania Hamanen (Tania is a very experienced teacher) while Robbie Mallett takes an Acting Principal position at Syndal South PS for Term 1.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
We will be conducting Parent Teacher Interviews on Tuesday 24th February.

These will be “Getting to Know You” interviews to enable parents to meet their child’s new teacher and inform the teacher of any medical or other issues that may be pertinent to their schooling. All families will receive a notice regarding these interviews soon.
LATE PICK UP BY PARENTS
If parents are going to be late arriving to pick up their child we would appreciate a phone call to notify the office. If a parent does not arrive to pick up a student the classroom teacher will look after them in the classroom until 3.45. After this time the student will be taken to our Out of Hours Program (Aftercare) and the parents will be invoiced for this session.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS
In this week’s newsletter I am calling for nominations for School Council. There are four parent vacancies and I would like to encourage anyone who is interested to apply. I would also ask those whose term of office is up to consider standing again.

STAFFING 2015
Our staffing for 2015 is as follows:

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STUDENT LEADERS
Our student leaders were announced at our final assembly at the end of the year. They will be presented with their badges at a special assembly later in the term.

YOU CAN DO IT.
This term our school will be focusing on the ‘You Can Do It’ program area of ‘Getting Along’.

The students will be learning about the following habits of thinking:
1. Playing by the rules
2. Thinking first before you act
3. Being tolerant of others and
4. Being a socially responsible person

This could look like the following behaviours:

- Working and playing together cooperatively (collaboration and teaming)
- Sharing and taking turns (conflict resolution skills)
- Behaving well towards each other (being respectful, responsible, caring, honest)
- Following important rules of the classroom and the school
- Doing things to make your classroom and school cleaner and safer (citizenship)

Regards
Karen Jenkin
Principal
Pinewood Primary School
A REQUEST TO PARENTS
I write to inform you that there are students in our school community that are currently receiving medical treatment.

They participate actively in the normal school program without any major limitations.
A major concern, however, is if these student develop measles or chickenpox, they can become seriously ill.

I seek your cooperation in preventing this situation.

If your son/daughter has or may have an infectious disease I request that you do not send them to school during this period and notify the class teacher and the office as soon as possible.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Dear parents,

To celebrate the start of the ICC Cricket World Cup we will be holding a ‘Cricket Colours Day’ on Friday, 13th February. Students are encouraged to wear their favourite cricket team’s colours, dress as their favourite player, paint their face or any other way they can get into the spirit of the Cricket World Cup. Our school will also be entered into a draw to win a clinic with an Australian male and female cricketer. Children will be required to bring a gold coin donation, with all funds raised going to BCNA, a great charity that has strong ties to the Australian cricket team.

Rick Byron

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

Fete Committee - Monday, 9th Feb, 7.30pm
Parents Club AGM—Monday, 16th Feb, 7pm

FETE COMMITTEE
Although May seems a long way off, we all know how quickly time flies. Our fete will be upon us in no time, so we need to get organised.
On Monday 9th February, we will be holding our first fete meeting for the year. It will begin at 7.30pm and be held in the staffroom.
There are already many dedicated parents helping. However, for the new Prep parents, this is a great opportunity to join in with our school community.

PARENTS CLUB AGM
The Parents Club Annual General Meeting will be held in the staffroom from 7pm on Monday 16th February 2015.
The Parents Club does fantastic work for the school, raising money to provide resources and equipment to make our school one of the best in the state.
Please come along and join us.
Everyone welcome!

Dear Parents,

Until the end of February, the OSHC program will not be able to accommodate any casual users on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.
Parents will have to make other arrangements on these days.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORMS, INCLUDING THOSE WITHOUT CHANGES, ARE TO BE RETURNED TO THE CLASS TEACHER BY FRIDAY, 13th FEBRUARY, 2015.
Please be aware that if contact numbers have changed and the school has not been notified, we cannot be held responsible for not contacting you in an emergency.
TERM DATES 2015

Term 1
January 29th    Years 1 – 6 begin
January 30th    Preps begin
Term ends      Friday, 27th March

Term 2
Monday 13th April – Friday, 26th June

Term 3
Monday, 13th July – Friday, 18th September

Term 4
Monday, 5th October – Friday, 18th December

HEALTHY, AFFORDABLE LUNCHES DELIVERED FRESH TO PINEWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

AVAILABLE MONDAY TO FRIDAY
(Unavailable Tuesday)

Our Menu offers either a 2 or 3 Course Lunch with 15 choices available for each course each day!

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE
www.classroomcuisine.com.au

Orders are received by our customer friendly website until 8.30am the day the lunch is required.

Email: contact@classroomcuisine.com.au

Uniform Opening Times
Monday, 3.15pm—3.45pm
Thursday, 3.15pm—3.45pm

The Uniform Shop is now located near the office.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE 40kph SPEED LIMIT OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL

RESPECT SELF CONFIDENCE INTEGRITY RESPONSIBILITY OPTIMISM
Piano Tuition Program
2015

‘Musical ability is not always an inborn talent but an ability that can be developed’ Shinichi Suzuki

Young children are naturally enthusiastic about music. It is never too late learning to play an instrument. Love of music is a gift that will continue to enrich them all their lives. The best way to impart this gift is by making music a part of the children’s experience from their earliest days.

Children learn best with movement and imagination. Their musical sense will greatly improve with teachers helping them to develop their potential, without restricting their imagination. I hope to influence my students with my passion for music. Helping them to increase their appreciation of music and being able to enjoy playing the piano. Examinations serve only as a benchmark of measuring students' standards, but are only recommended when students are ready and have already established a good musical sense.

Piano Tuition Program during school hours is available for 2015. Anyone who wishes their child to participate, please fill in the slip below and leave it at the school office, or contact Wai Ling Yee personally on 0424 640 766. Fees are $150 for 5 lessons. Fees must be paid in the first lesson.

Wai Ling Yee
Bachelor of Arts (Music)

Please return to Wai Ling Yee via the School Office.

Piano Tuition Program

Child’s name: ____________________________
Class: __________________________________
Contact name: __________________________
Contact number: ________________________

LIBRARY NEWS

Library News 2015
Welcome back to the Library everyone.

This year the Library monitors are: Jamilla, Julia, Disha, Momina, Shirley, Natasha and James.
What book did you read over the holidays? The monitors read:
Jamilla: Harry Potter By J.K Rowling
Disha: Pennies for Hitler By Jackie French
Julia: Spirit Animals Book 1 Wild Born By Branden Mull
Shirley: Percy Jackson and the Olympians- The Heroes of Olympus By Rick Riordan
Natasha: The Hunger Games By Suzanne Collins

Story Time will soon be starting on Monday’s for Prep, Year 1 and Year 2. There will be an announcement to say when it will start at 1.45pm.
Also Mrs.Dent and Mrs.Hayden said, don’t forget to start reading books for the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Keep a list of the books you have read, so you can add them on the website.
P.S. Don’t forget THE LIBRARY IS OPEN on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at lunchtime, see you there.

By Year 6 Library Monitor
School Banking Day is TUESDAY!

School Office Hours
8.30am—4pm

You’re invited

Bendigo Bank, First National Real Estate Waverley City and Miles Townsend Chartered Accountants proudly presents

Property Investment Inspiration

Free Information Session Wednesday 25th February 2015

Meet our Guest Speakers

Warwick Merry

Shafiq Zia – First National Real Estate Waverley City
Terry Czarny – Miles Townsend Chartered Accountants

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Get a hair cut (mum or Dad) and your kids cut is FREE

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Mums enjoy a FREE CLASS!