Dear Parents,

**END OF TERM 3**
The end of term is coming to a rapid close with warmer weather, hopefully, on the way at last. Next Wednesday is our Hotdog and Footy Day, so come to school dressed in your footy colours.

School closes for the September holiday break on Friday 18 September at 2.30pm and re-opens on Monday 5 October. Term 4 is a Sun Smart term so please remember to bring a wide brimmed school sun hat.

Reminder, there will be no assembly next Monday, rather our final assembly for term 3 will be on Friday 18th Sept at 9.15am.

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**PINEWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL– ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE PROGRAM—MAKES NEWS**

**Youth get behind green program**

Mount Waverley Primary School has gone green to reduce its environmental footprint. Year 6 environment captain Marcus said it was important to incorporate energy saving with education. “This is a great idea because schools burn up energy like there’s no tomorrow,” Marcus said.

Co-environment captain Neha said it was great because it was teaching the school to become more eco-friendly.

Details: soeco.com.au

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**PARENT COMMITTEE**

Thank you to our Pinewood Parent Committee who have been working hard to support various fund raising activities and for organising and running a very successful Father’s Day stall last week.

**NAPLAN (National Assessment Program Literacy And Numeracy) Results**

Congratulations to all our year 3 and 5 students on achieving such wonderful NAPLAN results. The following charts are a brief summary of our excellent student achievements in NAPLAN this
year. We are especially proud of the writing and numeracy results as this has been a whole school focus this year.

The graphs below show a comparison between our school and the State, Region (North Eastern Victoria), LGA (Local Government Authority –Monash), and the Metropolitan area of Victoria.
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NAPLAN - Cohort Comparison - Absolute Mean Score - Trend Analysis - Year 3 - 2013 - 2015 - Writing - Pinewood Primary School (4874)

NAPLAN - Cohort Comparison - Absolute Mean Score - Trend Analysis - Year 5 - 2013 - 2015 - Numeracy - Pinewood Primary School (4874)

NAPLAN - Cohort Comparison - Absolute Mean Score - Trend Analysis - Year 5 - 2013 - 2015 - Reading - Pinewood Primary School (4874)

NAPLAN - Cohort Comparison - Absolute Mean Score - Trend Analysis - Year 5 - 2013 - 2015 - Spelling - Pinewood Primary School (4874)
The following article is a good reminder about our responsibilities as adults in keeping our children safe when using various applications of the internet. I hope you find the article informative.

**Internet Safety Tips for Teachers, Parents and Carers:**

Children Under 13 ARE NOT ALLOWED on Facebook, Instagram, Kik, SnapChat, iTunes and many more. Don’t support your child to break the rules & they won’t be the only one without these accounts. Learn to say NO!

- All internet enabled devices (iPad, phone, iPod, Xbox) **SHOULD** be in a common area of the house **NOT IN THE BEDROOM**! Need an alarm - buy a clock radio!
- Parental monitoring is vital – walk past and see what your child is doing, who they are talking to and what sites they are on....be aware if their mood changes. This is NOT invading their privacy at all...it is parenting in the digital space.
- Make sure there is no response to rude or harassing comments. (keep a record in case of further investigation)
- Advise your student/child to immediately exit any site that makes them feel uncomfortable or worried.
- Basic protective behaviour principles apply.
- If harassment continues....the current accounts can be deleted and a new one started. The new account details should only be given to a selected few.
- If receiving harassing messages on social media - have the sender blocked & report to the site.
- If you have found inappropriate content about your child or one in your care on a website or are informed about this situation please contact the ISP and or Police or advise the parent to do so a.s.a.p.
School Banking day is TUESDAY

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

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Parents should note that advertisements that appear in the newsletter are not necessarily the views of the school council or staff. These services are in no way connected to the Department of Education and are included according to relevance and interest to the school community.
Winners of the Moving Vehicle Competition

Well done to the following students for creating some fabulous moving vehicles!

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Congratulations to Prep R and 6H for regularly switching of their classroom lights and winning our first Sustainability Competition. Well done!

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

Just a reminder that Hot Dog money is due tomorrow.

Thank you to Everyone who supported the Fathers Day Stall. The children enjoyed this event, choosing that special gift.

It was great to see so many helpers, Mannie Hughes, Lily Spear, Diana Macpherson, Emily Gar, Arlette Jurdikian, Koula Giannakis, Sarah Speakman, Lindy Fergeus, Jennifer Wu, Penelope Johnston, Tran Phan, Michelle Raimondi, Lucy Adams, Sue Lin, Debby Lin, Ava Armyoun, Charmaine Wickremasinghe, Georgia Sinclair, Anya Mitchell, Desi Bablis, Jules Berry and Helen Vickery.

The Parents Club would like to Thank Everyone who gave up their time, even if it was for an hour or so.

We look Forward to the next event.

Parents Club Committee 2015

President: Mick Daly (5K) mickd0868@yahoo.com.au, Vice President: Lisa Strong (3B) sunnymountain1@yahoo.com.au, Treasurer: Kathryn Nichols (5C) Koula Giannakis (Prep R), Lucy Adams (1A), Kellie Ellis, Scott Williams (2D), Jules Berry (2M) Sue Bleeker (4R)

OSHC

Forms are now available for the Vacation Care program. Due to the high number of families requiring care, you must enrol your child to reserve a place. If your child/children attend the Before or Aftercare program, this does not automatically give you a place in the Vacation Care. Forms are now available from the library. Please return the forms by Friday, 4th September, 2015.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Jayden W.  Prep R
For the fantastic progress he is making with his reading. Keep up the wonderful effort Jayden!

Dharshana M.  Prep M
For the excellent progress she has made with spelling her Wizard Words. Well done!

Georgia R.  2D
For consistently demonstrating excellent study habits for spelling. Her fantastic results are due to her hard work. Well done!

Conor B.  Prep H
For the fabulous progress he has made with handwriting this term. Fantastic effort Conor!

James D.  5K
For his increased effort and persistence in spelling and the editing of his writing. Keep up the terrific work James.

Mila S.  5C
For the wonderful effort she put into her information report writing. Keep it up Mila!

Moumal A.  4M
For his wonderful oral presentation on eagles. He spoke with confidence and expression, well done!

Michael R.  5T
For his excellent group work. Michael has contributed ideas and energy to group projects. Well done.

Jacqueline H.  4R
For the wonderful effort and persistence she displayed during her oral presentation on ‘Tasmanian Devils’. Jacqueline showed great courage presenting her work in English. Well done!

Mya G.  1A
For the respect and kindness she shows to her classmates and for her positive attitude towards learning. Well done!

Saumya G.  1T
For the wonderful progress she is making with her writing. Well done Saumya, keep up the great effort.

Zara W.  6U
For always working well in pairs and small groups. Well done on your ‘Getting Along’ skills, Zara!

Amelia C.  6H
For an outstanding eSmart presentation. It is just another example of the quality and effort put into all of her work. Well done!

Nikesh W.  Prep L
For being persistent at remembering to use lowercase letters within his works and for learning the Wizard Words. Well done!

Daniel P.  3K
For the consistent effort he has shown in Term 3. Well done Daniel.

Porsha V.  2M
For working hard to improve her reading by reading every night. Keep it up!

Sally M.  3M
For always striving to do the best she can when completing work tasks.

PE Award
6H— For displaying a much improved attitude during PE lessons in the last few weeks.

SCHOOL NURSE

As the Visiting Primary School Nurse for Pinewood Primary School, I have had the pleasure of meeting many of the prep students during the last couple of weeks. In response to the School Entrant Health Questionnaire parents completed earlier in the year, I have assessed prep students and will be providing reports via email, if an email address was provided on the questionnaire, or via your child’s school bag. Bear in mind, that not all students required assessment, it being dependant on your responses to the questionnaire.

These emailed reports should arrive to your inbox by Friday September 18th. Within this email will be my contact details for any discussion or queries regarding your child’s health and development.

Also please kindly accept a brochure for Parentline, a valuable, confidential telephone service which will be sent home via your child’s school bag.

Thank you
Melinda Wilson

Earn and Learn has now finished. If you have any stickers that we can add to our collection, please send them along to the school as soon as possible.
SDSSA Basketball Round Robin
Tomorrow we have our boys and girls basketball teams competing in the District Round Robin tournament. We wish you all the best. Thanks to Mrs Kay for her dedication and hard work preparing the teams for the tournament.

Footy Colours Day ‘Teachers vs Students’ Match
The most anticipated event in the Pinewood sporting calendar has arrived again! Next Wednesday, as part of our footy colours day, we are holding our annual ‘Teachers vs Students’ footy match. The game will begin at around 2:15pm, and we invite any parents and relatives to come down and cheer on some of the extraordinary athletes that are hidden among the Pinewood staff!

Monash Waverley Division Athletics
Preparations have begun for the Division Athletics carnival, to be held on Wednesday, October 7th (first Wednesday of Term 4). Competing students will receive more information early next week.

Keep up to date with everything sport related happening within our district: http://www.foxsportspulse.com/assoc_page.cgi?c=1-4186-0-0-0-0&assoc=4186

New goalpost padding
We were lucky enough to have a set of goalpost pads donated to the school, thanks to Dessy Anthonisz and the Mount Waverley Junior Football Club. The pads will be on display during the footy match next week.

Rick Byron
Physical Education Coordinator