Dear Parents,

Well done everyone on a great term’s work. Amazingly it is already half way through the year and we are well into the winter weather. Enjoy a lovely school holiday and we look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term 3 on Monday 11 July.

STUDENT REPORTS AND INTERVIEWS TERM 2
Congratulations to the teaching staff for the effort and time they invested preparing comprehensive student reports for Semester 1. Congratulations also to the students in Years 3-6 for participating so enthusiastically in the 3 way parent/ teacher/ student interview process. I was very impressed by the effort and commitment our students demonstrated towards their learning journey.

HOLIDAYS
The final assembly for the term will be for the whole school and will be held in the hall on Friday morning, 24 June at 9.15am to celebrate the term achievements. The term ends at 2.30pm as usual. Please collect your children promptly to avoid their being placed in our After School Care program. Our school re-opens for Term 3 on Monday 11 July.

PREP ENROLMENTS for 2017 – Make sure you do not miss out!
We are currently enrolling prep students for 2017 and we are filling up! If you are a parent at our school and have a younger sibling to enrol for next year, please see Mrs Pip Lewis at our school office and compete an enrolment form as soon as you can.

Our transition into Prep starts in the second half of the year with visits to the school in Term 4 for next year’s prep children and parent information sessions.

LOST PROPERTY
We have an abundance of lost property, both clothing and plastic lunchboxes and drink bottles. Please check the lost property container in the library building if your child is missing either a school top or a lunchbox.

Karen Jenkin
Principal
Division and Regional Cross Country
The past couple of weeks has seen a large number of our students compete at Division and Regional Cross Country. The students handled the step up in competition very well, with all putting in their maximum efforts. The results are in the table below.

The top 12 finishers in each race qualified for the Regional competition, which was held last week. These were their results: Shin Yi – 41st, Taya – 63rd, Jarrah – 53rd, Harvey – 54th and Megan – 64th. Unfortunately Justice was sick and unable to run. Congratulations to all students who competed at Division and Region, you all worked very hard to reach those levels of competition.

Winter Interschool Sport
Throughout the term the Grade 6’s and a handful of Grade 5’s have competed in weekly interschool sport. Although we had mixed results across the 6 sports, our Volleystars team went through undefeated, finishing as District Champions and qualifying for Division Finals in term 4. Well done to all students on their efforts when playing this term, and thanks also to the staff and Cindy Lowe for their assistance and coaching.

Soccer Round Robin
Last Friday was the annual District Soccer Round Robin. It was a wet and muddy day, something that the students seemed to enjoy! Both our Boys and Girls team’s competed hard throughout the day, the Boys finishing with 1 win, 1 draw and 2 losses; while the Girls had 1 win, 2 draws and 1 loss. Congratulations to Rosie and James T, who were voted as All Stars for their team. Thanks to Miss D’Cruze for her coaching, and also to all the parents who transported students and braved the elements to support us.

Division Athletics team
The students who were successful in making the Division Athletics team have been notified, and the list is up on the PE Corner. We have a large number of students who have been selected. Division Athletics will take place in the first week of Term 4.

What an action packed and successful term we’ve had! To come away as District Champions for Athletics, Cross Country and Volleystars is a wonderful effort. We would not be able to run such a successful PE and Sport program if it wasn’t for the continued support we receive from the Pinewood community. To all the parents who have transported students, coached and supported teams, your assistance and willingness to help doesn’t go unnoticed. Thank you once again.

Keep track of everything sport related happening within our district, including final interschool sport ladders, fixtures, photos and dates of upcoming events:
http://www.foxsportspulse.com/assoc_page.cgi?c=1-4186-0-0-0&assoc=4186

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**Monash Waverley Division Cross Country Results**

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Respect     Self Confidence     Integrity     Responsibility     Optimism
Thank you to the staff, parents and students of Pinewood Primary School.

I would like to express my gratitude for the support and kindness you have extended to myself and my daughter Julia.

We have been overwhelmed by the thoughtfulness of the Pinewood community during what has been a very difficult time.

With thanks Wendy and Julia Mann.

Compass Program for Parents

FEEDBACK FROM THE PARENTS HAS BEEN POSITIVE REGARDING THE PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEW BOOKINGS. THERE ARE STILL SOME TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES TO OVERCOME WITH THE PROGRAM BUT OVERALL IT WORKED WELL.

AS MOST SECONDARY COLLEGES USE THIS SYSTEM OR SIMILAR, IT IS GOOD FOR PARENTS TO FAMILIARISE THEMSELVES WITH THE PROGRAM BEFORE THEIR CHILD/CHILDREN REACH THIS STAGE.

WE URGE PARENTS TO READ THE NEWS FEED REGULARLY, TO KEEP UP TO DATE WITH WHAT’S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL.

Term 3

♦ In Term 3 we will be introducing CompassPay. Parents will be encouraged to make payments for excursions & incursions through Compass. By using the program, parents can give consent, pay and receive a receipt which will cut out the need to have cash on hand and also help parents who are unable to come to the school. Parents may pay by Visa, Mastercard, Visa Debit etc. AMEX is not accepted.

♦ For parents who do not have access to a computer or the internet, paper forms will still be available.

School Office will close at 3pm tomorrow, 24th June, 2016.

TERM DATES 2016

Term 1
Thursday, 28th January—Thursday, 24th March

Term 2
Monday, 11th April – Friday, 24th June

Term 3
Monday, 11th July – Friday, 16th September

Term 4
Monday, 3rd October – Friday, 20th December 2016

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.
As we approach the Winter school holidays we would just like to thank the Pinewood School Community for raising just over $5,000 so far this year towards our Sun Shades! This is a great achievement so thank you for all your support in donations and to all the Parent Helpers at our various events which we know the students really enjoy.

Have a great holiday!
Pinewood Parents Club Committee

Coming up in Term 3...

Pizza Day
Tuesday, 19th July

Order forms will be sent home the FIRST DAY of term 3 and are DUE BACK THE FIRST FRIDAY OF TERM (15th July).

If your child will be away the first week of Term 3, please Order at the Office before the end of term 2 so they don’t miss out!

The Parents Club Book Stall
Tuesday, 23rd August & Wednesday, 24th August

Donations of pre-loved books are welcome at the Start of Term 3.

Friday 2nd September

Footy Hot Dog Day
Thursday, 15th September

Two weeks ago the EAL students in Prep to Grade Six had their second EAL Celebration Lunch. We ate fish and chips. Grade 6 students helped teachers to look after Preps and helped other grades too.

We had this lunch, because EAL students did a good job with our learning this term and being helpful with each other. The teachers said we were awesome when we went on our local excursion to the Pinewood Shopping area. That is where we saw the Fish and Chip shop.

We would like to say a big thank you to the teachers who help the EAL student learning English and for giving us the celebration lunch. It was delicious.

By Sophie Xu and Nancy Tu
EAL Year 6 students