Dear Parents,

REMEMBRANCE DAY
Last Friday, Pinewood P.S. conducted a very moving Remembrance Day service. The service was led by Year 6 students, Kasey, Connie, Carli and Sid and flag monitors, Zoe and Bailey. Thank you to all students who were able to bring a flower/s on the day to place at the base of our flag poles.

PARENT HELPER MORNING TEA
No school can function successfully without the support and enthusiasm of its parent community. The help that parents have given to us in so many different ways throughout this year has been very much appreciated by students and teachers alike and has enhanced the learning and activities that we’ve been able to offer.

In order to say, “Thank You” for everything that parents have done and in recognition of the support that’s been given to classes and the students of Pinewood PS during the 2016 school year, parent helpers are cordially invited to a special Parent Helpers’ Morning Tea. A special invitation from the school was sent home last week.

Date: Monday November 28
Venue: Staffroom
Time: 11:00 - 11:30 am

WALKATHON
Today the school grounds became a sea of colour - blue, green, red and yellow as students wearing their house colours, enthusiastically participated in the school walkathon. The money raised will go towards the purchasing of shade sails for the playground.

YEAR 1 SPECIAL ACTIVITIES EVENING
In readiness for the Year Two Sleepover, the Year One students are invited back to school on Friday 25th November, for an evening of ‘Special Fun Activities’ from 6.00pm-8.30 pm. I am sure it will be lots of fun!!

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
This term continues to be a very busy with many classes taking part in excursions and incursions to complement their Inquiry units.
Year One students have their special fun night at school next week,
Year 1’s have also visited to the Zoo,
Yr2 students visited the Gould League,
Yr 5 students are heading to Science Works,
Students Prep-Yr6 have participated in a whole school swimming program,
Year6 Graduation Night,
Year 6 Waverley Links Disco,
Interschool Sport, senior grades
Preps are visiting the Werribee Zoo,
End of year ‘whole school celebration’- sing along
Parent evening- Cybersafety
Waverley Links sports day
Years3&4 students attended Camp Forest Edge-3 days
Years 5&6 students attended Camp Coonawarra-5 days.
Transition day/s activities for new Prep students 2017
Lunchtime activities: social chess, basketball clinics, volley ball clinics, athletics training, Maths Olympiad, Library story time sessions, Art classes, Glee club, Green Team / sustainability activities, Music instrumental groups... just to name a few activities.

Thank you to the many staff involved in the complex planning of these events. All of these activities are extra curricula activities, that is, extra or additional to the normal school curriculum.

**SLEEP AND SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN**
On Monday afternoon, our Education Support Staff attended a fabulous presentation regarding, 'Sleep Health and School Aged Children'. Good quality sleep can make an enormous impact on a child’s ability to focus in class, improve learning outcomes and enhance mood. I have attached one of the handouts provided at the session, ‘Sleep Tips For Children’ for your perusal.


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**C.S.E.F.**
**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

**CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)**
School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum. CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

**If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.** A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- **$125** for primary school students
- **$225** for secondary school students.

**HOW TO APPLY**
**Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form** or download from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)

**MORE INFORMATION**
For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef)
Shade Sail News

The Parents Club have been actively raising funds for the past year to go towards the purchase of Shade Sails for the Junior and Senior playgrounds at front and rear of the school.

The project itself is a lengthy and costly one due to the shade structures being specifically designed for us and the engineering required to maintain the integrity of these structures. The safety of students is paramount and the structures therefore have to meet both building regulations and Department of Education and Training (DET) safety standards. To cover both playgrounds will cost in the region of $80,000 and therefore the Shade Sail Project will be done in stages.

We are excited to announce that, thanks to you, the Parent Community, we have raised $24,000 over the last two years which will be put towards Stage One. Full details will be announced by the Principal and School Council once final plans and details have been agreed.

We therefore thank you for your continued support as we launch the Christmas Hamper Raffle which will take place at the end of Year Concert in December. Last year we had enough generous donations to make eight hampers (one per grade). The deadline for donations is Friday 2nd December and we hope to beat last year’s success in raising over $1,500 so please give generously.

Raffle tickets for you to sell will be going home soon!

!WE NEED YOU!
Barbeque at Bunnings, Notting Hill
Saturday 3 December

This is OUR opportunity to ask the local community to help us raise much needed funds for our Shade Sail Project. If you haven’t already volunteered to help out, email Lisa Strong (Vice-President) at sunnymountain1@yahoo.com.au or contact the School Office.
Lucas Prep D

Lucas is an enthusiastic class member who exhibits a positive attitude at all times. He brings a bright and happy energy into our classroom every day.

Lucas strives to complete all tasks to the best of his ability and is an excellent role model to others.

Within the classroom, Lucas displays independence and cooperativeness by sharing insightful ideas with his peers. He shows initiative and enjoys challenging himself when faced with new concepts.

Lucas reflects the values of Pinewood Primary School and is a worthy recipient of our ‘Aussie of the Month’ award. Congratulations Lucas!

Kevin Prep H

Kevin is a positive and enthusiastic student who participates in all activities with a smile. He is a polite, friendly student who works extremely well in a team.

Kevin is a responsible class member who tackles each task with confidence. He is an excellent listener and works independently to complete his work to a high standard.

Kevin is well respected by students, parents and teachers. He uses his “I Can Do It” attitude to persist with challenging tasks.

Kevin is a fabulous role model to others and shows a sense of pride in belonging to Pinewood Primary School. Kevin is a very worthy recipient of Grade Prep H’s Aussie of the Month.

Well done Kevin!

Charla Prep L

Charla is a friendly, helpful and cheerful member of Prep L. She works co-operatively with others and is respectful towards teachers and peers.

Charla has demonstrated superb ‘You Can Do It’ skills by sharing, being kind, trying her best and not giving up. When she approaches new activities, she shows confidence and persistence.

Charla can also be relied upon to fulfil important responsibilities set by the teacher. She has a caring nature which is shown through her willingness to help a friend in need and through the initiative she shows at keeping our playground clean.

Charla can often be found picking up pieces of rubbish at recess and lunchtime. She takes great pride in her school work and has made excellent gains in her learning.

Charla is a fantastic role model to her peers and a worthy recipient of the Aussie of the Month award. Congratulations Charla!

JUST A REMINDER THAT THE NEWSLETTER WILL NO LONGER BE PUBLISHED IN PAPER FORM. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU REQUIRE A PAPER
**Sarujan**  
**Prep M**

Sarujan is a thoughtful, friendly and hardworking member of our class. He displays a positive attitude to all aspects of his work and interacts well with his peers.

Sarujan is always keen to learn and uses his initiative when faced with new and challenging activities. He enjoys sharing his knowledge with the class and always listens well to others.

Sarujan has wonderful manners and is always willing to help with extra classroom duties. He has developed a great ‘You Can Do It’ attitude towards all school activities.

Sarujan is an excellent role model for other students and always strives to do his best.

Sarujan is a worthy recipient of Prep M’s Aussie of the Month. Well done Sarujan!

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**Tanisha**  
**Prep P**

Tanisha is a kind, caring and reliable member of our class. She brings an infectious smile and positive attitude to school every day. She demonstrates wonderful qualities such as always being compassionate, fair and honest both within the classroom and outside in the playground.

Tanisha enthusiastically takes on all challenges and always tries her best in all learning areas. She is respectful of everyone and is always willing to help others and puts in her best effort to make sure everyone feels included.

Tanisha is a reliable and trustworthy member of our class who proactively assists in undertaking classroom duties.

Tanisha is a much deserving winner of the ‘Aussie of the Month’ Award.

Congratulations Tanisha!

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**Madeleine**  
**Prep R**

Madeleine is a thoughtful, friendly and enthusiastic student who plays and works cooperatively with her peers. She strives to complete all tasks to the best of her ability and is an excellent role model to others.

Madeleine is always keen to learn and uses her initiative when faced with new and challenging activities. She displays independence and a sense of responsibility and pride in herself and her school.

Madeleine is a respectful student who has wonderful manners and is sensitive to the needs of others. She demonstrates our school’s core values and embraces all aspects of school life.

Madeleine should be proud of the effort and enthusiasm she puts in every day and is a worthy recipient of Prep R’s Aussie of the Month!!

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**PLEASE REMEMBER THE 40kph SPEED LIMIT OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL**

**RESPECT ** **SELF CONFIDENCE ** **INTEGRITY ** **RESPONSIBILITY ** **OPTIMISM**
STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Austin J. Prep M
For persisting with difficult tasks. Austin completed a wonderful number spider for Maths.

Conor B. 1JK
For the wonderful effort he has made to improve his presentation skills. Well done Conor, you have displayed many of our ‘You Can Do It’ keys for success.

Sze-Wei L. 1JK
For always demonstrating our school values. Well done Sze-Wei. Enjoy your weekend.

Weiwei H. Prep R
For the fantastic progress his making with his reading and writing. Keep up the wonderful effort Weiwei!

Molly L. 4C
For making an effort to improve her handwriting and maintaining neat bookwork. Well done.

Karar A. 4C
For demonstrating initiative when completing group tasks. You are an excellent role model.

Wania S. Prep H
For working very hard to do her best work at all times. Wania uses her ‘I Can Do It’ attitude every day. Well done Wania!

Tenara H. Prep D
For being helpful towards our new student. Thank you for being such a friendly and positive classmate. Keep it up, Tenara!

Nina Z. Prep P
For working hard to recognise the time using both analogue and digital clocks! Well done Nina!

Julia W. 2M
For maintain a positive attitude during challenging activities. Keep it up!

Angus C. 2M
For the fantastic effort you put into your persuasive writing piece. Well done!

Steven Z. Prep L
For the fantastic effort he has made to learn the Orange Wizard Words. Steven has been working very hard at being persistent. Well done!

Shakira B. 6U
For her excellent work habits and for always being organised. Well done Shakira!

Reggie G. 3K
Congratulations on your oral presentation. You clearly explained the health benefits of your ‘Go Smart’ mask and had excellent wye contact.

Stanley W. 3B
For delivering an excellent oral presentation. It was clear that you put a lot of effort into preparing for the presentation.

Violet P. 4M
For always completing her work to the best of her ability and persisting with challenging tasks. Well done Violet!

Aiden M. 4M
For the improvement he has made with being prepared and organised in class. Keep up the wonderful effort.

Pearl B. 2G
For always putting in your best effort when completing your work. Keep up the great effort!

Jalalodin J. 2R
For putting in his best efforts towards his learning, particularly during Writing. Keep up the great work and positive attitude Jalalodin!

Megan L. 1M
For being a kind and caring friend to her classmates and for always completing her work to th best of her ability. Well done!

San L. 1JK
For his excellent behaviour and manners throughout Zoo excursion last week. Well done San!

Isabella N. 1T
For being friendly, cheerful and enthusiastic class member. Well done Isabella!

Cl. K. 1T
For the wonderful progress he is making with his reading. Well done Cl.

Tania B. 5D
For the excellent effort she is putting into her writing. Well done for expanding on your ideas.

Prem P. 5D
For his improved focus and positive work ethic. Keep up the brilliant effort.

Jacqueline H. 5K
For the outstanding writing you have produced this semester. Your snapshot of Coonawarra was very exciting. Well done Jacqueline.

Youssef G. 4C
For continued persistence with your Mental maths and completing more questions in the given time frame.

Harry W. 4C
For the ability to prepare for learning with your books and resources in a more timely manner. Well done!
Jarrah S.  5K
For your enthusiastic participation in our class discussions. You have some very interesting ideas and stories.

Reggie G.  3K
Congratulations on your oral presentation. You clearly explained the health benefits of your ‘Go Smart’ mask and had excellent wye contact.

Matilda W.  3K
For your excellent presentation on your health product. Your preparation and hard work was obvious.

Johnson T.  6D
For stepping out of his comfort zone at camp and for the great confidence he has developed over the year. Johnson is now more comfortable with public speaking and he willingly tackles new challenges. Well done!

Zion E.  6H
For having a kind heart and showing support and compassion to your peers. You have become an invaluable member of Pinewood in your short time here.

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STUDENT OF THE WEEK

TERM DATES 2016
Term 4
Monday, 3rd October – Tuesday, 20th December 2016

TERM DATES 2017
Term 1
Years 1-6 Tuesday, 31st January—Friday, 31st March 2017
Preps Thursday, 2nd February—Friday, 31st March 2017

Term 2
Tuesday, 18th April – Friday, 30th June 2017
(Monday, 17th April is Easter Monday)

Term 3
Monday, 17th July – Friday, 22nd September 2017

Term 4
Monday, 9th October – Friday, 22nd December 2017

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Sleep Tips for Children

1 Establish a regular sleep pattern
Regular hours of sleep are important. It will help your child understand when it is time to sleep. Also, your child will have better sleep. Bed time should not vary by more than an hour between school and non-school nights. The same goes for the time your child wakes up.

2 A consistent bedtime routine
It is good to have the same routine before bed each night. This will help prepare for sleep. Quiet activities are good e.g. reading a book or being read to or having a bath or shower. In the half hour before bed, there are some things you don’t want your child to do. These are more active games, playing outside, TV, internet or mobile phone social networking and computer games.

3 Make sure the bedroom is comfortable
The bedroom should be a quiet, comfortable and dark. Some children like a night light. This is fine. Make sure your child sees the bedroom as a good place to be. You can help do this by not using it as a place for punishment.

4 Bed is for sleeping, not entertainment
TV, computers, mobile phones and other things that distract your child are not good for their sleep. Keep them out of the bedroom. “Needing” the TV to go to sleep is a bad habit. This can easily develop, but you don’t want it to happen. It’s also better if you can check on what your child is watching.
5. A snack before bed may help

It's harder to sleep on an empty stomach. A light snack can help. Your child should not have a heavy meal within one to two hours of going to bed.

6. Caffeine is a stimulant

Caffeine is found in many popular drinks. These include coffee, tea and cola soft drinks. It can make it harder to get to sleep. Your child should have as little of these as possible, and certainly not after lunchtime.

7. Take care with daytime naps

It is normal for young children to nap during the day. As your child gets older they will need less sleep. This means they will need to nap less. The number and length of naps depends on your child. If your child naps after 4pm (except for the very young) it can be harder to get to sleep at night.

8. Exercise and time outside

Daily exercise is an important part of healthy living. It also promotes good sleep. Time spent in bright daylight does the same. Outdoor exercise achieves both things. However, it is best to steer clear of heavy exercise in the hour before sleep.

9. Work with your doctor

If your child is sick or isn't comfortable, their sleep will suffer. Some children suffer from specific sleep problems such as frequent nightmares, snoring or sleep apnea. It is important that these problems are dealt with. If you think ill health is involved, discuss this with your family doctor.