



31st October 2019

Principal's Message

What's On.....

November

- 4th **Curriculum Day. No children to attend school on this day.**
- 5th **Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday. No children to attend on this day.**
- 6th Yr 2M, 2F & 2C
Excursion Mont De Lancey Education Centre
- 7th Sports Dress Up Day to support children in State Teams
Yr6 Footsteps
- 11-13th Year 3 Camp Phillip Island
- 11th Swimming begins
Yrs2,4,5&6
- 13th Orientation 2020 Preps
- 14th Yr6 Footsteps
- 21st Subway Day
School Fun Run/Walk
Yr6 Footsteps
- 26th Yr1 Excursion Melbourne Zoo
Prep 2020 Information Night 7pm
- 27th Yr5 Science Incursion

December

- 3rd Yr4 Incursion
- 5th Music Concert
- 10th Orientation 2020 Preps
- 12th Yr6 Graduation
- 20th Last Day of Term 4
2.30pm dismissal



Dear Parents

SCHOOL COLOUR FUN WALKATHON

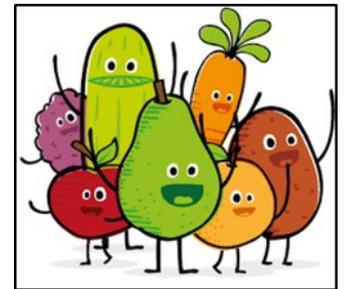
This year we will be celebrating the wonderful year we have had at Pinewood with our annual fundraiser - School Walkathon. To make it just a little more fun this year we have teamed up with Everyday Hero / School fundraising and will be having a School Colour Run/Walk.

The date of the event is the 21st November and more information about this will be sent home today.

NUDE FOOD AWARENESS MONTH AND NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK - REMINDER

We have scheduled a whole school nude food picnic for **Thursday 14th November**. On this day we ask you to provide nonpackaged foods within your child's lunchbox.

During lunchtime the Sustainability Captains along with other Year 6 Captains will also be conducting a recycling relay (entertaining teacher relay) and various fun activities on the day to encourage healthy activity, education and movement within our school. Thank you for your continued support of our initiatives.



2020 STAFF and CLASS PLANNING

Over the next few weeks we will be working on the 2020 class structure and, later in the term, student placement. The process is a complex one. Firstly, we identify our estimated enrolment and then look at the numbers in each year level to develop a class structure; thus the importance of timely information from parents.

Teachers work in their teams to develop preliminary class lists. They consider a number of factors when developing these lists; including academic ability, special skills and talents, social competencies, gender, students who work well together and those who may not work well together. Skills needed for 'building new relationships' are an important part of our educative process, so please note that friendship groupings are considered only for unique needs.

Parent input, based strictly on student learning needs, is also considered.

Parents who have specific concerns about their child's unique learning needs for 2020 are invited to provide written information to Ms Karen Jenkin, Principal (not the class teacher) by **4.00pm, Friday 8th November**.

Please note that we are not able to consider information received after this date as once class lists are made up they are extremely difficult, if not impossible, to change.



Parents occasionally place requests for teachers. Please be aware that this facility is **not available** for a number of reasons. For instance, teachers may leave the school or they may be deployed to other year levels or roles in the school.

The ultimate responsibility for student and teacher allocations rests with the Principal. Our school processes are most comprehensive and professional with decisions always made in the best interest of our students.

ENROLMENTS 2020

If you have a child that is of school age next year, and you haven't yet completed an enrolment form for them to attend Pinewood, please contact the school office as soon as possible so that we can begin to confirm our class planning for 2020.

With the exception of Year 6 students, please notify the school office if your child/children will not be attending our school next year. This will help us in our planning for classrooms and teachers for 2020.

Your support in this important matter is very much appreciated.



PINEWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL REVIEW PROCESS – SCHOOL SELF EVALUATION

Next year is a significant year of self-evaluation and reflection for Pinewood Primary School. Every four years, schools are required to conduct a review to ensure there is a focus on continuous improvement. The current DET process of review draws on the expertise of professionals throughout the system, to support each school in reflecting on their performance through self-evaluation and critical review.

Our school is due to conduct a review in Term 1, 2020, to support the development of a new Strategic Plan for 2020–2024. To prepare for our review, an essential first step is to conduct a challenging and reflective self-evaluation looking at the past four years of the School's Strategic Plan (2017 – 2020).

It is important to engage our school community throughout the evaluation so that all stakeholders have a voice in reflecting on the school's achievements and input into the areas for future improvement. This includes opportunities for students, staff, parents and school councillors to participate in the review process.

To gather information to inform this process our school is doing the following: Seeking input and feedback from school staff in relation to the school's performance; conducting a thorough analysis of data; analysing parent and student survey data; recognising and celebrating the school's successes; engaging experts to assist in review and development; and identifying areas where the school could focus future effort. Data will be used to compare student achievement, engagement and wellbeing against state-wide measures (i.e. NAPLAN, Victorian Curriculum Teacher Judgements, Parent Opinion Survey, and Student Attitudes to School Survey).

To gather more parent input in readiness for the school review, we are seeking feedback from a broader range of school community members. We have designed a parent survey that has been sent to all parents via a COMPASS link. The survey is anonymous. There will be a further link to enter a prize draw of a hamper as a thank you for your time in completing the survey. Many thanks to Vikkie Triantafyllou for generously donating the prize hamper for the school. The closing date for survey returns will be 5.00 pm on Friday 15th November.

LEAVE

I will be taking two weeks of Long Service Leave from Wednesday 6th Nov until Friday 15th Nov. During my absence, my Assistant Principal, Mr Andrew Thomas will be Acting Principal.

Mr Thomas will be well supported in his role as principal by Ms Sandra McGregor and Mrs Helen Dent, both very capable leadership staff.



CURRICULUM DAY Reminder

Please note that Monday 4th November is a Curriculum Day (Assessment and Reporting) and Tuesday 5th November is a public holiday for the Melbourne Cup, thus our school will be closed on these two days.

Karen Jenkin

Principal



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Dwarakh	5C	For the great improvement in your writing, you are applying the feedback I have given to you. Keep it up!
Surya	5H	For supporting his peers when learning how to balance equations. Well done Surya for taking charge and encouraging others.
Farjad	5H	For supporting his peers when learning how to balance equations. Your peers appreciated your patience and persistence even if they were still grasping the concept.
Ethan	1C	For showing persistence and good sportsmanship whilst playing 'Race to 100!' in Maths class. It's great to see you work hard and help your peers!
Oshima	1C	For always being a smiley and positive class member. Your kind personality lights up the classroom! Well done, Oshima!
Benny	3L	For having a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards swimming. You have put in a fantastic effort at each lesson. Well done!
Adrianna	3L	For your amazing effort and determination to further your learning in Maths. Keep up the hard work!
AJ	3L	For being a kind, helpful and responsible friend in 3L. You show a willingness to help others when they are in need. Well done!
Tyson	3L	For showing excellent organisation in the classroom by keeping his desk tidy and using his class time wisely. Well done!
Casey	1D	For her wonderful storywriting. Keep up the great work!
Ivan	1D	For trying very hard during his swimming lessons and having lots of fun. Well done Ivan!
Lucy	1D	For always trying to do her best work. Well done Lucy!
Maddi	3K	Well done on your excellent time management skills during swimming. Great job!
Vihar	3K	Congratulations on your use of adverbs in your writing 'How to Make a Snowman'
Glenice	3K	Well done on your confident attitude when participating in class discussions.
Nadia	1H	For the effort she has made to improve the quality of her work. Nadia is demonstrating a 'You Can Do It' approach to her learning.
Ilakkiya	1H	For being a good friend in our classroom and demonstrating a positive approach to learning each day.
Kai	1H	For taking pride in the quality of his work. Kai strives to do his best in classroom activities. Well done Kai!
Yashica	1S	For being a kind and caring classmate to her peers. Well done Yashica!
Ali	1S	For the confidence you have demonstrated in settling into Pinewood this term. It is great to see you making lots of new friends.
Carstone	1M	For working hard during all activities. You are challenging yourself which is fantastic to see. Well done Carstone.
Andrew	1M	For trying hard to stay focused during activities in the classroom. Well done Andrew!
Isabelle	1M	For always helping around the classroom and always being polite to her peers. Well done Isabelle!
May	5A	For your presentation on the Moon. Your confidence to present is building and 5A was very impressed with your effort pronouncing tricky, scientific words. Well done!
Emily	1K	For showing persistence in Guided Reading when presented with challenging texts. Great decoding skills Emily!
Lahiru	1K	For always being organised and showing exceptional listening skills during swimming.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Alisha	3J	For having a great start to Term 4. You have put a lot of effort into your concentration and produced some wonderful work. Keep it up.
Emilie	3J	For using excellent openers and vocabulary in her VCOP sentences. It is evident that you put in an enormous effort to improve each week. Well Done.
Isha	3J	For her wonderful effort in class throughout the year. You always put in a great effort with all of your work. We will miss you in 3J. Good Luck!
Alisha	3C	For your kindness and help around the classroom. You are always willing to lend a hand.
Ayesha	3C	For settling beautifully into Pinewood. Well done on a great start!
Julien	3C	For your well thought out oral presentation on a website that promotes health and safety.

Library News The Premier's Reading Challenge is over at Pinewood for another year. There were 670 children who completed the challenge. These children read a total of 26,723 books. What a fantastic effort! We would like to thank all the staff and parents who encouraged the children to complete the Challenge and helped them select and read or share books. A special thanks to parents who came up to school and helped add books and also to parents who assisted the children at home with their entries. If you're interested the top five star rated books read at Pinewood were:



Dog Man by Dav Pilkey

Noah Dreary by Aaron Blabey

Merry Christmas, Geronimo by Geronimo Stilton

James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl

Pig the Elf by Aaron Blabey

The certificates were distributed last week and handed out by the classroom teachers.

For more information go to www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Helen Dent and Linda Hayden

SCHOOL FUN RUN



Help us celebrate the end of the year at our great school. We're holding the **School Colour Fun-Run/Walk** as a major fundraising event this year! The event will be held on 21st November, 2019. This is a sponsorship based fundraiser, and we're looking to raise money for our playground in the trees. Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which will be sent home with your child today. Once you have the form, jump online at schoolfundraising.com.au and create a student profile page. Once you do this and raise at least \$1 online, you will be entered into the \$20,000 Ultimate Family Experience! **The first class with the highest amount of students who have created their Student Profile Page will win the chance to throw colour at Mr Thomas on the day.**

Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward, and the more money you raise the better the reward, and the more you help the school!

The **School Colour Fun-Run/Walk** is a healthy fundraiser that we hope you'll get behind. The event sends a message to students about having fun while being healthy, all while helping the school raise funds.

We're looking for all students to participate and we're organising a great day for our community, so we'd love everyone to come down to support the students.

If you have any questions about the Fun-Run please contact the School Fun-Run Office on 1800 FUN RUN.

Thanks for supporting the school and we hope to see you at the event! We will send out times for each grade level so parents can attend at a later date.



On Wednesday 30th October 2K and 2J went on an excursion to the Mont De Lancey Historical Centre.

*I liked chasing the hoop down the hill, it was fun and a great way to stay active.
Niklesh 2K*



The olden day craft activities were fun. We made a lavender bag and a wooden peg doll. Jane 2K



I enjoyed riding the billy carts and the craft activities. Louise 2K

*The billy carts were my favourite activity!
Karma 2K*



I loved the trip to Mont De Lancey!

My mum came with us. Her favourite place was the olden day house. I didn't have a favourite because I loved everything! Even Arth had a fake wedding with Ms .K! Akshadi 2K





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Pinewood OSHClub News Pupil Free Day (04/11/2019)

We are open all day from **7.15am to 6.00pm** at the cost of **\$44.10** (before any applicable Child Care Subsidy). Many families are eligible for Child Care Subsidy, which reduces the out of pocket cost of outside school hours care.

How to book

Please log in to your account online at www.oshclub.com.au and book in under the Pupil Free Day room. Also, you can make the bookings directly by contacting **PINEWOOD OSHCLUB** service on **0409 906 462**.

What happens

We provide fun activities for all ages including arts and craft, games, sports, drama, board games, dress ups and fun with friends.

What to bring

Please bring morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Make sure your children wear/bring appropriate footwear and clothing, including a hat. If you require further assistance, please contact your Service Coordinator.

Thanks,
Pinewood OSHClub Team



Pinewood Netball Club

Expressions of interest are now open for the 2020 season.

We are seeking boys and girls to join our teams - Grade 1 to Junior's and Open Section.

Our club began more than 50 years ago and has great support from our coaches and player community.

Training is held at Pinewood Primary.

For further information please contact the club at pinewoodnetballclub@gmail.com



French News

Bonjour, Pinewood Primary School community. More fun, more celebrations, this week's words are related to Halloween.

Meilleures voeux,
Madame Vinga



French Words of the Week

- la citrouille – the pumpkin
- le fantôme – the ghost
- le squelette – the skeleton
- la chauve-souris – the bat
- le sorcier – the wizard
- la sorcière – the witch
- le hibou – the owl





31st October 2019
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*Come & Join us
Thursday 31st Oct 2019*



Happy Halloween

3:30-5pm

FACE PAINTING \$2 (MONEY DONATED TO MONASH C. HOSPITAL)

FIRST 20 KIDS TO FACE PAINT RECEIVES A FREE STATIONERY PACK

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Parents Club News



Thanks

again to the Parents & Carers who kindly donated a dish for our **WORLD TEACHER'S DAY** two weeks ago - the staff and teachers of Pinewood we're blown away by your generous offerings.

Forms went out last week for **SUBWAY DAY** – please ensure we have these back by Friday 8th November 9.00am sharp as we cannot accept late orders after this time. More envelopes are available at the Office – exact money in the envelope please.

Next week we will be sending home details of our **ANNUAL END OF YEAR HAMPER RAFFLE** and how you can kindly donate prizes – this is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year so please give generously if you can.



from the Parents Club Committee and have fun tonight if you are trick-or-treating around the neighbourhood!

Coming up in Term 4 - Save the Date!



SUBWAY DAY is Thursday 21 November
Orders are due back by **Friday 8th November 9.00am sharp**. **Sadly no late orders will be accepted**



**END OF YEAR CONCERT BARBEQUE
& ANNUAL HAMPER RAFFLE**
Thursday 5th December

Parents Club hold a barbeque and a Raffle with Christmas Hampers for each Grade to be won. Details of How and What to Donate will go home after Cup Weekend



CRAZY HAIR DAY / CASUAL DRESS DAY
Monday 16 December
Come to school with your hair coloured or just looking **crazy** and **wild** in your casual clothes!

(Gold coin donation per child on the day)



2020 INTENT TO PLAY FORM – DUE 1/11/2019

To be placed in a team for the upcoming season, players must complete and sign a player intent form. Please ensure all information is complete and accurate and return to your team manager or email pinewoodnetballclub@gmail.com



Player's Surname:

First Name:..... Date of Birth:

Address:

Suburb:.....Postcode:

Telephone: (H)..... (Mobile)

Parent's Names

Mother Contact No.....

Father..... Contact No.....

Email Address:

Netball History:

Current Pinewood player? (Please circle) **Yes/No** Year started..... Current Team.....

NEW PLAYER

Previous Experience: (Please circle) Social School District

Name of previous Club/ Team: Age group:

I agree to abide by the conditions for the Club players as set down in the Parent Handbook Booklet and by signing this form you also agree to pay club fees when they are due. Without payment players WILL NOT be allowed to take to the court.

Permission for Publication of Player Photographs

The Pinewood Netball Club will, from time to time, take and use photographs of players for the club newsletter, closed Facebook group and other media. Photographs that are used will not include identifying information such as addresses and contact phone numbers. The club will be very careful with the information that it utilizes. I hereby give Pinewood Netball Club permission to use photographs of me/my child in the club publications for the promotion of the Club and netball in general.

Fees

Fees and Payments: Direct Credit. Account Details: Bendigo Bank BSB: 633 000 Account No: 119 769 446

- Pinewood Grade One's – \$20.00 per year
- Pinewood Grade Two's - \$20.00 per year
- Juniors - Pinewood Pandas / Possums / Pelicans / Pythons / Pumas / Panthers – \$230.00 per year
** \$15 discount for registration of siblings
- Pinewood Piranhas – \$230.00 per year

Parent/guardian's signature (if player is under 18 years).....

Player's signature (if player is 18 years or over).....

