



21st November 2019

Principal's Message

What's On.....

November

26th Yr1 Excursion Melbourne Zoo
Prep 2020 Information Night 7pm

27th Yr5 Scienceworks Excursion

December

3rd Yr4 Green Hat Incursion

5th Music Concert
Parents Club Raffle & BBQ

10th Yr6 Orientation Day
State Secondary Schools
2020 Preps

12th Yr6 Graduation

20th Last Day of Term 4
2.30pm dismissal



SCHOOL FUN RUN

Dear Parents

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Andrew Thomas for so competently taking on the role of Acting Principal whilst I was on two weeks Long Service Leave. I also wish to thank my excellent Leadership Team- Ms Sandra McGregor, Mrs Helen Dent and Mr Ryan Bolger for their contribution to the continued smooth running of school whilst I was on leave.

I spent the majority of my leave in Tulum, Mexico, where for some of the time, I attended a conference led by international researchers (Professors and Doctors) regarding the implementation of effective stress management techniques to build optimum individual operational capacity, enhancing team coherence and effective leadership styles.

I really enjoy learning about new evidence based leadership and wellbeing practices, particularly when supported by some of the latest research in these field – it is a bit of a personal passion of mine.

Whilst I thoroughly enjoy travelling and visiting different countries, it is always wonderful to return home to Australia... and Pinewood PS, of course!

COLOUR FUN WALKATHON

Today we held the Colour Walkathon- It was loads of fun! The students really enjoyed the event, particularly going through the sprinklers and being bombarded with colour. The soaker hoses and water sprayers were very popular and kept the students cool and thoroughly entertained. It was fabulous to see parents attending the event too. Many thanks to Ms McGregor for organising the fabulous 'Colour Fun Walkathon' event and to the many staff who also participated so enthusiastically.

The class that had the most children signed up by the commencement of the event, got to bombard Mr Thomas with paint- Well done 5A. You're a good sport Mr Thomas



INFORMATION EVENING FOR 2020 PREP PARENTS

Next Tuesday evening, 26th November, we will be conducting an information session for the parents of our 2020 Prep students. The session commences at 7.00pm in the Prep/Administration building.



CARING FOR OUR TREES and the safety of our students.

We have been successful in gaining a grant to finance an audit of the tree health and safety at the school. The grant has facilitated a tree risk hazard assessment and subsequent tree management plan to be developed as part of the “Safe Trees Program”.

The inspection and observations were undertaken on 11th November, with trees of significant size included in the scope of the audit. New plantings, smaller trees, shrubs and hedges were not included within the scope of the assessment due to their limited hazard potential.

Fifty trees were tagged with an individually numbered Tree ID Tag. Observations were made of the trees to determine their health and condition, with measurements taken to establish height and trunk dimensions. Each tree was assessed and classified based on its arboriculture hazard rating, which relates to a combination of factors including health, structure and condition and is based on a modified version of the widely accepted method for tree hazard evaluation promoted by the International Society of Arboriculture. Over the next few weeks arborists will commence the recommended scope of works at the school. Two juvenile Gum trees and one Hakea are rated as ‘high priority’ to be removed, as they are ‘dead’ and/or split. These will be replaced.

The majority of the works recommended involve weight reduction and canopy thinning. This is where over extended lateral limbs display excessive weight and result in adverse leverage forces being exerted on the branch or fork union resulting in a potential for failure.

Weight reduction works also reduce the pressure exerted on these limbs which in turn increases the useful life expectancy of the tree. Canopy thinning reduces the ‘sail area’ forces being applied to the outer canopy, and allows for improved wind flow through the canopy, further reducing the potential for limb shed. The majority of our school ground trees are in a good state of health.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY- MANY THANKS

Many thanks to all of the parents who participated in the Parent Survey over the last few weeks.

We value your opinions and are most appreciative of the time taken to address the survey questions and the effort made to provide such constructive and useful written comments. The collected information helps inform change and drive improvements in all areas of the school. This information will also form part of the data used for the School Review in Term 1, 2020.

The lucky winner of the Parent Opinion Survey hamper is.....Sue Mei Lim

Many thanks to Vikki Triantafyllou for kindly donating the winning hamper.

Thanks

NEW RELOCATABLE BUILDING

We will be receiving a new relocatable building within the next few weeks. The new portable provides the school with an extra classroom for 2020. The portable will be placed near the current Yr 4 portables- so no trees will be impacted. The extra class space enables one of the year levels to expand – thus keeping student numbers very low in each class at that year level. To enrol at Pinewood PS students must live within our school zone.

SCHOOL SAFETY DRILL

Each year the Pinewood PS conducts an ‘Emergency Management Evacuation Drill,’ as part of our Safety Management Program. Next week, the students will be rehearsing a school evacuation drill. Each child will receive a permission notice this week to be completed by parents and returned to the school by the required date. All students and staff will be participating in the rehearsal evacuation drill. More information contained within the notice.

LEAVING THE SCHOOL

With the exception of Year 6 students, please notify the school office if you are planning on moving away from our school at the end of this year and your children will be attending another primary school. This will help us in our planning for classrooms and teachers for 2020.



SAVE THE DATE—End of year musical evening - Bring along your best singing voices!

Our end of year music night will be held on Thursday 5th Dec. We hope you can all come and join us on this end of year celebration. Our Parents Club will be holding a sausage sizzle starting at 6.00pm. The student performances will commence at approximately 7.00pm.



Karen Jenkin
Principal



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Sarvesh	1S	For your excellent research and public speaking skills during your 'Living Things' presentation. Outstanding effort!
Joanna	1S	For your wonderful presentation about succulents. Great effort Joanna!
Henry	1H	For being a kind and helpful classmate. Henry always has a positive attitude to learning and is a good friend to students in 1H. Well done Henry!
Ariel	1H	Ariel prepared an interesting power point presentation on 'Bottle Nosed Dolphins'. Well done Ariel!
Nila	1H	For preparing and presenting a wonderful poster about 'Birds' as part of our 'Living Things' unit. Nila shared some interesting facts. Well done Nila!
Travis	1H	For an excellent oral presentation about 'Living and Non Living Things'. Travis asked excellent questions of his audience. Well done Travis!
Aryan	1D	For making a fabulous PowerPoint presentation during our computer lesson. Well done Aryan!
Nathaniel	1D	For being a kind and helpful friend. Thank-you Nathaniel!
Aiman	5H	For making positive choices for your learning during class time. Great work, Aiman!
Pranauv	1K	For always being organised and showing exceptional listening skills during swimming.
Lawrence	1K	For his wonderful story writing. Keep up the great work Lawrence!
Lily-Mai	1K	For her amazing presentation on 'Living'and 'Non-Living' things. I'm so proud of you Lily-Mai!
Srisa	1C	For your great presentation on parrots. Your public speaking has improved so much! Well done!
Annie	1C	For always trying your best and putting maximum effort into your work. Well done, Annie!
Liam	1C	For showing great persistence whilst having a go at all the Mascot Challenge activities. Awesome work!
Joanne	5C	For continually presenting your work and homework with extra effort. Keep it up!
Ruby	1M	For always willing to help anyone who needs it. You are always making sure your peers are okay. Well done Ruby!
Nishika	1M	For your wonderful presentation about 'Dogs'. Great effort Nishika!
Jeremy	1M	For his fantastic presentation on 'Living'and 'Non-Living' things. Well done Jeremy!
Rhea	3K	Congratulations on your excellent oral presentation on the 'Blanket Bed'.
Georgia	3K	Well done on displaying all of the You Can Do It keys whilst on camp.





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Mahdi	3K	For displaying self-confidence during camp. Well done.
Benny	3K	Congratulations on being persistent and improving your handwriting. Well done.
David	3J	For presenting his health and safety product oral presentation with improved confidence. You showed a great amount of effort and used a nice loud voice. Well done!
Amy	3J	For presenting her product, the 'Safety Helmet', with confidence. You used your nice loud voice and explained your product in great detail. Well done!
Collin	3J	For showing great personal and social skills whilst on the Year 3 Phillip Island Camp! You were organised and showed improved listening skills, Collin. Well done!
Rehan	3L	For delivering a confident and informative presentation about your health product, 'Knee Pads in Pants'. Well done!
Cooper	3L	For displaying exemplary behaviour while at camp. Well done at being responsible and organised!
Zachary	3L	For having outstanding behaviour and showing immense responsibility while at camp. Well done Zachary!
Dora	3L	For delivering an excellent presentation about your health and safety product called the 'Safety Pad'. Well done!





French News

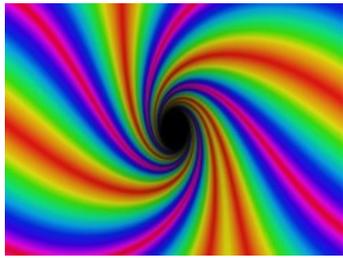
Bonjour, Pinewood Primary School community. This week's words are related to the fun run.

Meilleures voeux,
Madame Vinga

French Words of the Week

la course – the race
je cours – I am running
les couleurs – the colours
l'eau – the water
l'arc en ciel – the rainbow






OSHClub News

Summer Holidays Booking Now Open!

6th – 28th January 2020

Bookings are now open for the Summer School Holidays at PINEWOOD OSHCLUB.

What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful, relaxing and engaging environment
- Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends

To place the bookings, you are required to log into your account or contact us on 0409 906462
pinewood@oshclub.com.au.

Our exciting program is available at the service (printed copies). Please feel free to call us for a copy or you can find it online.

Reminders

Please send a hat with you child/children as it is almost summer!

Thanks,
Pinewood Primary School
OSHClub Team





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2.5kg lolly box



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CELIA KEMP STUDIOS PRESENTS:

SPLASH!



A musical comedy straight out of the ark ...

**Book, music & lyrics by
Craig Hawes**

29th & 30th November 2019, 7pm

Ashwood Performing Arts Centre

50 Vannam Drive, Ashwood

Tickets: www.trybooking.com/BGQKO or On the Door

RESPECT

SELF CONFIDENCE

INTEGRITY

RESPONSIBILITY

OPTIMISM



Maths News



Well done to all the year 5 and 6 students who represented Pinewood PS in the 2019 Maths Olympiad Competition. This year we had 27 students competing in a series of mathematical problem solving challenges and I am very pleased and proud to announce that they performed outstandingly!

A special acknowledgement goes out to Annie Z, Prisha K and Jayden S from Year 6 and Jack L in year 5 for scoring in the top 10% in their division. In addition, a huge congratulations is in order for Vincent Q from year 6 for scoring in the top 2% in his division.

An amazing effort by all. WELL DONE Pinewood Olympiads!

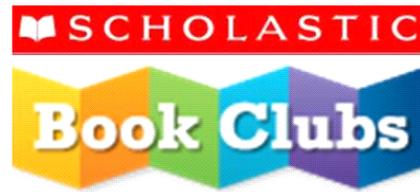
Angela Katsos (Maths Coordinator)





Issue 8 is now available!

Please place your orders online at www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or by returning the order form at the back of the catalogue by **Wednesday 27th Nov.**



Thank you to all families who have placed orders this year. **We have raised over \$3,000 in rewards** which have been put towards much needed educational resources for the school. This is a huge achievement so well done!!

This will be the last issue for 2019 with lots of great Christmas gift ideas so why not start that Christmas shopping early! You can always opt to have your orders sent to the office to pick up if you want to keep them a surprise ;)

Until next year...Happy Reading!



Parents Club News



Coming up in Term 4 - Save the Date!

END OF YEAR CONCERT BARBEQUE & ANNUAL HAMPER RAFFLE

Thursday 5 December

Tickets were send home today!

Parents Club hold a barbeque and a Raffle with Luxury Hampers for each grade to be won.

We are kindly seeking donations for our hampers also helpers for the BBQ on the night.

If you are able to spare some time please contact Lisa sunnymountain1@yahoo.com.au



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)