



17th November 2022

Principal's Message

What's On...

November

7th–25th

Swimming Program
SwimWorld - Glen Waverley
2K, 2L, 2O, 2B, 4, 5 & 6

21st - Collingwood Children's
Farm PD & PJ

22nd - Collingwood Children's
Farm PS & PM

23rd - Collingwood Children's
Farm PK, PC & PG

24th Parent information session
for 2023 Preps

28th November - 2nd December
Year 6 camp

29th Prep 2023 Transition Day
Session 2: 9:15 - 10:30am

30th Year 4 Green Hat Incursion

December

8th End of Year Community
Sing Along 6:00 - 7:30pm

9th Student Free Day Teacher
Professional Practice Day

13th Secondary School Full Day
Orientation
Prep 2023 Transition Day
Session 3: 9:30—11:30am

15th Year 6 Graduation

17th Walk-up to 2023 classes

19th Class parties
Student Reports Released

20th Class parties

20th Last day of Term 4 **2:30pm**
dismissal. The office will
close at 3pm.

Dear Parents and Carers,

2023 PREP TRANSITION

On Tuesday, we conducted the first Prep Transition session for our new 2023 Preps. The students really enjoyed the activities planned for them and made a very creative 'spoon person' to take home as well. We look forward to being with our new Prep students again at our next transition session on Tuesday November 29th. The parent information session will occur on Thursday 24th November.

A FABULOUS YEAR 1 ACTIVITIES EVENING

Many Year 1 students returned to school last Thursday at 5.30pm to participate in a fun filled, 'Activities Evening', organised by our Year 1 teachers. The students really enjoyed the event and participated fully in the rotational activities organised for them.

Congratulations to the Year 1 team of staff; Nadia De Gregorio, James Verde, Erin Houston, Roula Konidaris and Sophie Haye for planning and organising a fantastic evening of fun activities for the Year 1 students to enjoy. Many thanks to the staff who support the event and participated in the evening as well – Liz O'Meara, Catriona Cowie, Courtney Morrison, Maria Athanasopoulos, Maria Kovas, Sarah Pereira, Julia Coutselinis, Jess Sexton, Kathryn Bleachmore and Sandra McGregor. It was a fabulous 'team effort' of attending staff, ensuring yet another very successful event at Pinewood PS.

Many thanks to the Parents Club for providing each Year 1 student with a special lunchbox of games to take home at the end of the event as well!



SWIMMING and WATER SAFETY PROGRAM

Next week is the final week of the PPS Swimming Program.

The comprehensive Swimming Program has been another very successful 'whole school program' this term. Most of our students (Prep-Yr6) have participated or are participating in the Swimming Program this year. The swimming and water survival skills provided to students, through participation in such water safety programs, are so important to children living in Australia – a country where most people seem to enjoy a swim (to find relief from the summer heat), at a beach, river or a local swimming pool.



CELEBRATING the FESTIVE SEASON...Thursday 8th December

It is wonderful to once again be able to hold a community outdoor event at the school to celebrate the culmination of what has been a great year of 'onsite learning' and the upcoming festive season.

On Thursday 8th December we are inviting school community members to come along and join in the fun and good cheer, as students from each year level, and the choir, sing some of their favourite 'festive season/ Christmas' songs. The event commences at 6.00pm and ends at 7.30pm(approx). The Parents Club will be conducting a BBQ prior to the commencement of the event. Please order BBQ sausages online via the Parents Club link.



GRADE 6 GRADUATION

This year, our Year 6 students will be celebrating their Graduation from primary school on the evening of Thursday 15th December. Students will have the opportunity to share dinner together at the school, prior to travelling to Huntingtower School, where they will participate in the official Graduation Ceremony. It is wonderful to be able to acknowledge that the majority of our Staff will also be attending the formal ceremony.



CONGRATULATIONS on a GREAT RESULT- School Council Financial Audit

Every three years, schools are required to participate in a School Council Financial Audit conducted by an independent auditor selected by the DET.

This term, PPS has been involved in such a process.

The Audit Team, from PwC, is charged with the responsibility for carrying out the Agreed Upon Procedures (AUP) at the school under the Schools Council Financial Assurance Programs (SCFAP).

Under the SCFAP, PwC (independent auditors) perform several AUPs.

The AUPs are designed to assess the application of key financial controls and test school transactions across the following business areas:

- Locally raised funds
- Cash and banking
- Expenses and accruals
- Fixed assets and School governance.

Pinewood PS received an outstanding final Financial Report from PwC. The finalised School Council Financial Audit Report is now sent to the DET for acknowledgement.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank the two parent elected members of the School Council Finance Subcommittee, Sorin Ardeleanu and Aaron Gillett, for their outstanding commitment of time to attend the finance meetings and their ability to work with the DET's required financial processes.

Many thanks also to Jan Migliore (Business Manager) and Andrew Thomas (AP) for being part of the Finance Sub Committee and for assisting with the extensive preparation required for such an audit. Thanks to all School Council members for your ongoing support with the required DET financial processes that drive the governance aspect of the school.

YEAR LEVEL STRUCTURE for 2023

For 2023, we will be operating with the following class structure at each year level:

Prep x six classes, Year 1 x seven classes, Year 2 x five classes, Year 3 x six classes, Year 4 x five classes, Year 5 x six classes and Year 6 x five classes. Total of 40 classes (no composite classes)

TEACHER PPD- Friday 9th December

Following on from the Compass notification last week - a reminder that Friday 9th of December will be a Teacher Professional Practice Day and will be a student free day. OSCHClub will be operating for any families requiring support.





NEW PORTABLE Mod 10 Portable

During Term 3, we were informed of the possibility of a new double storey portable building (Mod 10) being placed at PPS for 2023.

After a series of discussions and on-site meetings involving the VSBA and other DET stakeholders, (regarding land availability, machinery access, building guidelines and regulations, and financial costings), a final communication was received from the VSBA early November to say the project would be going ahead.

The Mod 10 building will be placed in the current Staff carpark, aligning with the existing double storey building and facing toward the new sports ground. The building will be ready for use at the commencement of the 2023 school year. The Mod 10 building will provide us with several extra classrooms, allowing us to maintain excellent student/classroom numbers for 2023

On Monday 21st November, site preparation will begin in readiness for the arrival and placement of a new double storey portable building (Mod 10.) At this stage, the new Mod 10 building is scheduled to arrive at PPS on the morning of 8th December.

From next Monday, students who usually enter the school grounds via the small gate next to the carpark, will be required to walk further along Toombah Street to the pedestrian gate near the rear of the netball/basketball courts and enter the school grounds from there.

Karen Jenkin
Principal



Dream Weavers



Year Three have had lots of fun coming to terms with circular weaving patterns and dreamcatcher looms. They used colourful yarn to create their interesting “woven wheels”, perfecting their “under/over” technique and developing additional skills such as tying knots and joining two different lengths of yarn together.

Well done Year Three artists.





MOVEMBER

The staff at Pinewood Primary School are growing moustaches and setting movement goals to raise funds and awareness this Movember for all the dads, brothers, sons and mates in our lives. We hope to help create and lead discussions around mental and physical health in classrooms and be positive role models for our students.

Since 2003, Movember has funded more than 1,250 men's health projects around the world, challenging the status quo, shaking up men's health research and transforming the way health services reach and support men. 10.8 million men world-wide are facing life with a prostate cancer diagnosis. Globally, testicular cancer is the most common cancer among young men. Across the world, one man dies by suicide every minute of every day, with males accounting for 69% of all suicides.

Movember is uniquely placed to address this crisis on a global scale. The movement funds ground-breaking projects all over the world, engaging men where they are to understand what works best and accelerate change.

So, if you see some teachers rocking some serious lip hair, it's not because we just think it looks good, it's also for a great cause!

If you'd like to donate, please scan the QR code and follow the prompts.





OSH CLUB NEWS

Term 4 Week 6

Students had so much fun upskilling their knowledge this week. They created some brilliant dinosaur posters, made their own bubbles, and cooked up some delicious pizza pinwheels.

Pupil Free Day 9th of December 2022

Please log into your account online at www.oshclub.com.au and book in under the Pupil Free Day Room. Please note that bookings cannot be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the PINEWOOD OSHCLUB service directly on 0409906462.

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.

Summer Holiday Care Program

We are very excited to announce Holiday Care will be running at Pinewood OSHClub on the 21st and 22nd of December and returning on the 9th of January and running until 27th of January. Bookings are now open and the brochure will be out shortly.

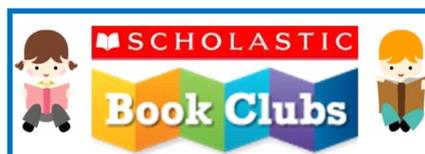
(Please note that OSHClub will be CLOSED between the 23rd of December and 8th of January).



Stephanie Voon, Gemma Sullivan and the OSHClub Team.

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Contact Details - Fiona (Sienna's Mum 5M) at fionatetley@hotmail.com



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

- PD Constance For being a kind and caring student to everyone in Prep D!
- PG Isabella For being a kind and caring classmate to everyone, and for always bringing a positive attitude to every lesson. Great work Isabella!
- PK Dhruv For making wonderful predictions during our maths sessions. Well done Dhruv!
- PK Ella For her beautiful manners and for always coming to school with a big smile on her face!
- PS William For the wonderful work you did on your butterfly life cycle. Well done William!
- PJ Ryan For the outstanding effort you have put into your learning. I am so proud of you!
- PJ Thaddeus For doing your best in writing this week. You have made excellent improvements and I am so proud of you!
- PM Eva For always being kind to others and working hard in every lesson. Well done Eva!
- 1D Vedant For writing an excellent information report about the emu using the notes you took while listening to the EPIC book 'Emu'. A wonderful effort Vedant!
- 1D Aavya For listening respectfully to our presenter, Sebastian, who gave us lots of facts about the animals during our incursion 'Reptile Encounters'. You were also very brave, willingly holding the reptiles and even having a snake around your neck! Awesome Aavya!
- 1E Aaron For the enthusiasm and focus you showed when researching and writing an Information Report about emus. You included fascinating facts! Brilliant effort Aaron!
- 1V Emmaya For her amazing information report on Frilled Neck Lizards. You included great facts and adjectives to describe its habitat and diet.
- 1H Amroze For the tremendous effort she put into researching and writing her first Information Report. Amroze created a fascinating booklet about emus. Amazing work!
- 1H Alina For the enthusiasm she brought during our 'Reptile Encounters' incursion. Alina respectfully listened to instructions and confidently engaged with the presenter and his interesting reptile friends!
- 1K Daniel For working enthusiastically during our emu information report note taking session. Fabulous work Daniel!
- 1K Mikael For his enthusiasm and respectful listening manners during our 'Reptile Encounters' experience. Fabulous work Mikael!
- 2O Dusan For speaking with confidence in our hoop group discussions when sharing his opinions. Well done Dusan!
- 2B Tianna For writing a fantastic persuasive piece and using all of the strategies. Keep up the amazing work!
- 2B Jaydra For showing some amazing improvement in maths this term, and applying herself in all tasks. Keep up the great work.





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- 2L Diniru For being a responsible bus buddy during swimming and trying your best in all classes. Great job Diniru!
- 2A Katerina For having such a positive and optimistic mindset towards achieving her spelling goal this week.
- 2M Alvin For being a responsible and efficient recycling and rubbish monitor. Thanks Alvin!
- 2K Tharuli For having such a positive attitude to writing. You have put in a lot of effort. Well done Tharuli.
- 3S Dory For her enthusiasm and can-do attitude at camp. Great job Dory!
- 3T Riley For giving everything at camp a go. It was great to see you enjoying yourself so much and getting along with everybody else in your cabin and group. Great job!
- 3H Amir For challenging himself on our Year 3 camp. You faced every activity with confidence and encouraged others to give it a go. Well done!
- 3P Ryan For being an absolute superstar on camp! Ryan challenged himself and tried every activity with a smile! Amazing effort Ryan!
- 3U Thivishan For his beautiful manners with all adults during camp and encouraging his peers during activities. Well done for having a go at everything, Thivishan!
- 4M Yajur For the excellent work you have done in our reading unit on synthesising. It is great to see how you are connecting to your reading and thinking deeply about texts. Keep up the enthusiasm!
- 4F Haitham For participating so enthusiastically in the swimming program. Well done Haitham and continue to enjoy swimming over the next few weeks.
- 4H Maria For writing engaging and entertaining poetry. Well done Maria!
- 4J Jasmine For writing a structured text on why you love Pinewood Primary School! It was so lovely to read.
- 4B Archie For your creative French costume. It was great to see you get into the spirit of the day. Well done Archie!
- 4T Mariam For being a responsible, reliable student who cares about the wellbeing of others.
- 5D Shuyu For the excellent effort she puts into all maths lessons and for helping others who require support. Well done Shuyu!
- 5M Vasu For being a valued member of 5M and consistently upholding the school values each day. Well done Vasu!
- 5T Hannah & Tara for their fantastic newspaper 'Kids Weekly' they created together. They shared the work evenly and wrote a variety of interesting articles. Keep up the great work girls!
- 5J Karma For showing outstanding resilience when she is being challenged and for consistently striving to complete the samples of her learning to the best of her ability, well done Karma!



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- 5C Sahib For working so productively and enthusiastically during our Integrated Unit about Space and completing all activities set. Well done!
- 6A Arya For working really hard and learning about finding percentages of a quantity. Arya solved tricky problems by using multiple strategies. Great job!
- 6L Grace For applying yourself and beginning a wonderful math project. Well done!
- 6O Alfie For your constant enthusiasm, cooperation and helpfulness. You are always the first person to put your hand up to help. Your efforts and kindness are seen and appreciated. You are making a positive difference in 6O!
- 6H Charles For the effort he put into his Remembrance Day tasks. Charles wrote a descriptive piece from the perspective of a soldier at Gallipoli and a thoughtful acrostic poem. Well done Charles.
- MUSIC Henry 1D for always being able to count on you to make great choices in the classroom, your wonderful behaviour, and for participating enthusiastically in every learning activity! Great work, Henry!
- MUSIC Eva Prep M for helping people get their iPad task done with great enthusiasm! Well done, Eva!
- Art Amelie 6O for her extreme application and totally outstanding creative outcomes in all art projects this year. Amelie has demonstrated an amazing level of commitment and expertise throughout 2022.
- Art Caelan 2L for working enthusiastically and showing immense creativity in every single art lesson. Well done for sculpting a wonderful clay artwork, and for always showing your best listening skills. Keep it up!
- FRENCH P-2 Levi Prep K for your amazing effort introducing different animals using the sentence stem 'voici!' You are incroyable!
- FRENCH 3-6 Kosta 4T for your fantastic puppet show presentation! I am so impressed with your determination to say all of the French sentences correctly. C'est magnifique!
- STEM P-2 Darien 1H for working enthusiastically and showing persistence when coding with Osmo Coding Awbie. Well done Darien!
- STEM 3-6 Laurence 5J for demonstrating excellent design skills when creating three-dimensional models using Tinkercad this term. Fantastic work Laurence!
- PE 3-6 5T for their fantastic efforts in Cricket, Keep up the awesome work!
- PE P-2 1H for their outstanding efforts in learning tunnel ball!





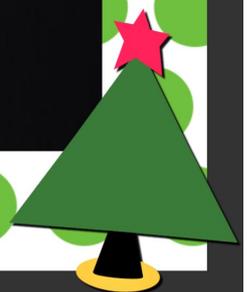
CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

It's that time of year again where the Parents Club ask the wonderful parents & carers to help us by please donating items for our Christmas raffle hamper prizes.

You can donate new books, toys, stationery, candles, packaged food, movie tickets, vouchers etc

Please leave donations at reception by Thursday, 1st December

Any questions please contact Vikkie on 0401559551



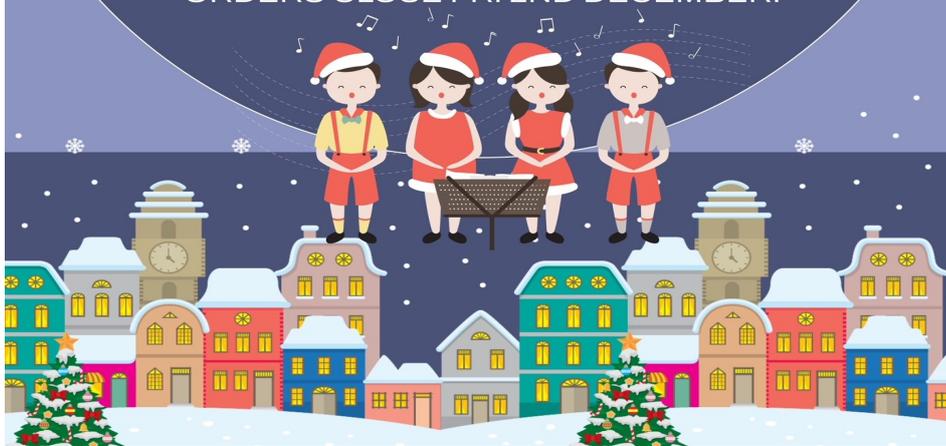


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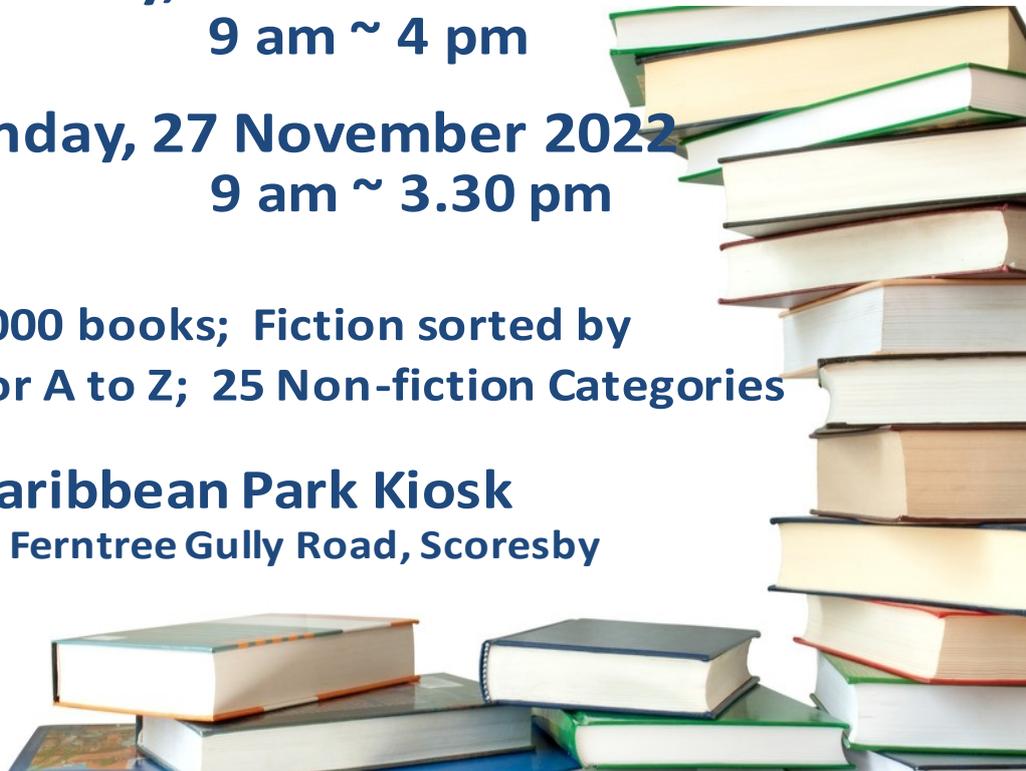
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2023

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■ Term 1 = Monday 23rd January - Thursday 6th April
■ Public Holiday - Closed



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