



19th October 2023

## Principal's Message

### What's On...

#### October

20th Year 4 Monash Waste Incursion

23rd-3rd Nov Swimming Program Swimworld Year 2 & 4 classes, 5C,5J,5D

26th Year 1 Activity Night 5.15-7.00pm

30th Prep Excursion - Collingwood Children's Farm (PD, PM, PS)

30th-1st November Year 3 Camp - Phillip Island Adventure Resort

#### November

1st Prep Excursion - Collingwood Children's Farm (PJ PK,PR)

6th Curriculum Day - students not required to attend school

7th Melbourne Cup Day - Public Holiday

9th Year 1 1D,1K,1B,1S Melbourne Zoo Excursion

10th Year 1 1H,1CF,1V Melbourne Zoo Excursion  
St Johns First Aid Incursion P-6  
Year 6 Summer Sport Round Robin

13th-24th Nov Swimming Program Swimworld Year 3 & 6 classes, 5M,5MT,5T

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

On Tuesday evening, the Capital Works Project team of architects, Centrum Architects, presented the initial Master Plan for the AMP 2 stage of the Capital Works Project to School Council. The presentation of the AMP2 Master Plan was very comprehensive. The VSBA will be overseeing the project through to completion.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Katelyn Marshall for her excellent presentation of the "Ninja Maths Program" (a program operating at various year levels), to the School Council Education Subcommittee prior to the commencement of the General meeting.

#### CHILD SAFETY AND WELLBEING: information for families and the school community

The Victorian Government has announced new Child Safe Standards to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The new standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Pinewood Primary School has reviewed and updated our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the new standards. These are available to view on the school's website.

- [Aboriginal Learning, Wellbeing and Safety](#)
- [Administration of Medication Policy](#)
- [Anaphylaxis Policy](#)
- [Camp and Excursions Policy](#)
- [Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy](#)
- [CSS Risk Management Policy](#)
- [Duty of Care Policy](#)
- [First Aid Policy](#)
- [Health Care Needs Policy](#)
- [Medication Policy](#)
- [Statement of Values and School Philosophy](#)
- [Visitors Policy](#)
- [Volunteers Policy](#)
- [WWCC Procedure](#)

We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures, and practices.

If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact Pinewood Primary School at [pinewood.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:pinewood.ps@education.vic.gov.au) or by phone on 03 8847 3200.





### THANK YOU, TEACHER'S - Teacher's Day - Friday 27 October!

Next Friday 27 October is Teacher's Day. We will be acknowledging our teachers for their inspiring and passionate dedication to the students, with a morning tea, to show our sincere appreciation for their significant contribution to the education and lives of our students. It's a great honour and privilege to be working alongside such a remarkable team of teachers. THANK YOU!



I encourage families to express your gratitude with the teachers that support your children, as they learn, grow, play and develop.



### REMINDER: NO HAT, NO PLAY - Sun Smart - Hats for Term One and Term Four.

A reminder that all students are required to wear their broad brimmed hats for outdoor activities, this includes recess, lunch and physical education lessons. Students without hats will be required to refrain from play and stay in the shaded areas of the school - No Hat, No Play. Sunscreen is also available for our students; however, they are welcome to BYO and apply sunscreen at school. Students will be required to wear their hats all term when involved in outdoor activities or outdoor recess, in line with our SunSmart policy

Karen Jenkin  
Principal

## Spotlight on STEM



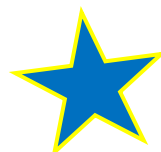
### Foundation

This term students have been introduced to block coding using Scratch Jr. They are experimenting with using drag-and-drop to create a simple sequence of steps (algorithm) to move their characters around a setting.



### Year 1

This term students are further exploring block coding using Lightbot and Osmo Coding Awbie. They are improving when writing a sequence of steps (algorithm) needed to solve simple problems.



### Year 2

This term students are further exploring problem solving when block coding using SpriteBox and Osmo Coding Awbie. They are practicing designing algorithms to solve simple problems.



### Year 3

This term students are showcasing their understanding of programming Ozobots. They are using different colour codes when creating their own tracks to send their bot on an around-the-world adventure.





# French News

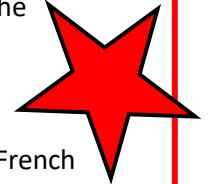


Bonjour tout le monde,

Welcome back to the last term of our French program for 2023. What a year it has been  
We cannot wait to continue our passion and determination to learn as much as we can  
term. So, what did some of the year levels get up to in our first few weeks back?



**Preps** were introduced to a new topic of 'les animaux' and were able to draw and label many animals that you can find on 'la ferme'. We played a game where we made an action or sound and the students would try to guess the animal using their new French vocabulary.



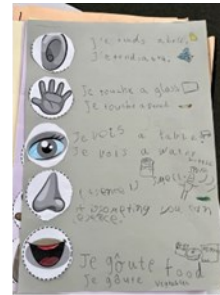
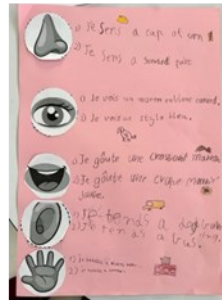
**Year 1** students revised their colours and numbers by completing a 'couleur par numéro.' They were also given the opportunity to record their portfolio piece for their parents to share their French knowledge on 'les animaux.'

**Year 2** students have been learning all about 'les cinq sens' and made some posters. These posters included sentences and pictures. We worked with others in a group of 5 and they did such an amazing job



Au revoir,

Mademoiselle Cowie & Madame Slade



## THUNDERSTORM ASTHMA

Thunderstorm asthma events typically occur from October when pollen is drawn into the atmosphere and dispersed through a storm.

Thunderstorm asthma is triggered by a mixture of grass, pollen in the air and thunderstorm conditions. It happens when pollen grains are drawn up into the clouds as a thunderstorm forms. The pollen grains absorb water, swell, and burst open.

Particles containing pollen allergens are released. The wind can push these tiny particles down to ground level where they can be breathed into the lungs.

Thunderstorm asthma usually affects people in the windy period before the rain starts. It usually happens in spring and early summer.

Simple things you can do to avoid thunderstorm asthma triggers include:

- Check the forecast and pollen counts. The epidemic thunderstorm asthma risk forecast is published on the Vic emergency site/app.
- Visit your doctor and develop an asthma action plan or hay fever treatment plan.
- Make sure you have your reliever medication with you.
- Stay inside, especially when it is windy before the rain.
- Close your doors and windows.
- If an air conditioner is on, set it to recirculate air.

For further information please discuss this with your local doctor.

Information taken from the healthdirect.gov.au





# Art News!



Welcome back to another fabulous week in the art room. We are so impressed with all of your work once again, and are incredibly proud of all Pinewood students for showing creativity and always trying their best in art classes.

This week has been very exciting, as our Preps have been beginning to make some wonderful pasta wreaths. Preps used super-tack glue to attach their pasta pieces to their cardboard rings, and will soon be spraying these pieces with gold and silver paint to give them a nice shine - so much fun!

Great work for another lovely week, and we can't wait to see more work as the term progresses.

Ms Francine & Mr Barrett,  
Visual Arts Teachers.





**PARENTS CLUB**  
**BBQ SAUSAGE SIZZLE**  
Sunday 12th November  
8:00AM - 4:30PM

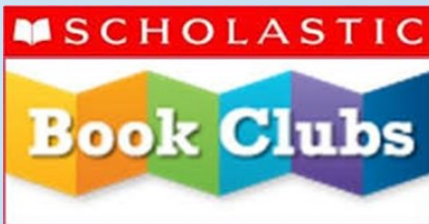
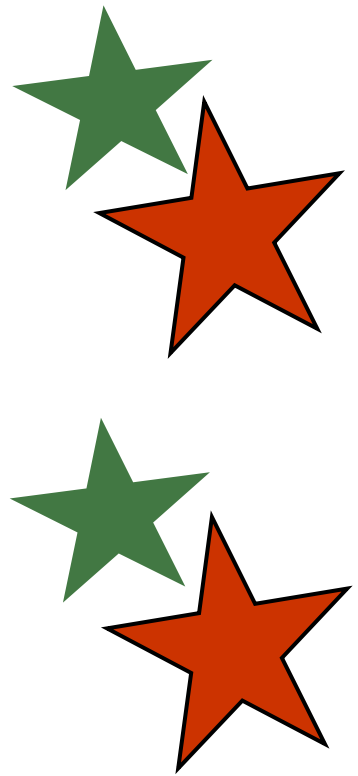
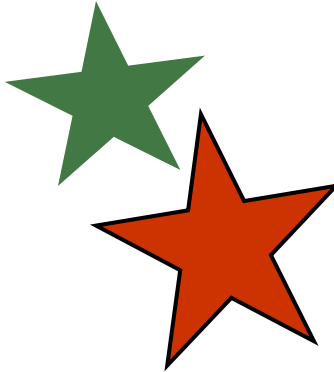
**BUNNINGS**  
849 Princess Highway, Springvale



**Volunteers needed:**

10am - 12pm (1 person to cook, 1 person to serve)  
12pm - 2pm (1 person to cook, 1 person to serve)

Please call or sms Vikkie on 0401 559 551



**Orders close**  
**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

**BOOKCLUB - ISSUE 7**

Welcome to Term 4!

We have some fun filled issues this term in the lead up to End of Year and Christmas!! In addition to the titles in the catalogue, we are offering even more range with an extra 50 titles available on LOOP all at **60-80% OFF!!** Check the back page of the catalogue for more!



AGES 3+

**\$10**

ITEM 010 **NEW!** Dharma the Christmas Llama \$18.99

AGES 6+

**\$9**

ITEM 004 **NEW!** The Bad Guys Episode 18: Look Who's Talking \$16.99

AGES 8+

**\$10**

ITEM 029 **NEW!** Storm Warning \$15.99

AGES 3+

**\$10**

ITEM 054 **NEW!** The Stinky Wonky Donkey \$19.99

AGES 6+

**\$14.00**

ITEM 019 **NEW!** Sweet Sisters Treasury \$29.99

AGES 8+

**\$12.00**

ITEM 065 **NEW!** Avatar The Last Airbender: Book 1: Water \$19.99

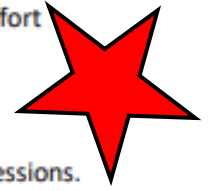






## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

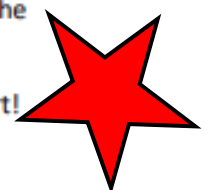
PD Lethu	For joining our classroom so confidently and settling into the class routine. I'm very proud of you Lethu!
PM Sreshta	For setting a fantastic example for the class each day. Keep up the fantastic effort Sreshta!
PK Owethu	For settling in so well to our class and school routine. Well done Owethu!
PK Josie	For being so organised and having beautiful manners during our swimming sessions. Well done Josie!
PR Chyna	For being a great role model to those around you. Fantastic work Chyna!
PJ Mikaela	For always listening to others and your teacher. You are an outstanding role model to the members of Prep J! You have also been a fantastic leader during swimming and you should be proud of yourself. Well done Mikaela!
PS Cherry	For the amazing listening skills you have shown this week. You have also been very helpful and kind to your classmates. Wonderful attitude Cherry!
1B All of 1B	For consistently demonstrating the school values during our swimming program. You all represented Pinewood beautifully and should be proud of the amazing effort you have put into developing your swimming skills. Keep it up this week! Go 1B!
1S All of 1S	For the great organisation and flexibility you have shown throughout the swimming program. You have all proven your ability to listen to complex instructions and have conducted yourself beautifully during swimming. I'm so proud of you all!
1CF Audrey	For your great organisation skills throughout swimming. Well done on listening well to instructions and for being a fantastic leader in 1CF. Great work Audrey!
1H Nachiketh	For being organised and showing responsibility during our swimming program this week. Well done Nachiketh!
1K Levi	For being so independent during the swimming program, from changing into bathers and packing your stuff to getting dressed back into your uniform very quickly. Great work Levi!
1D Phoebe	For being very organised at swimming and getting dressed back into your uniform very quickly. Well done Phoebe.
1D Elsie	For remembering to put on your seat belt when you get on the bus and being very organised with your belongings at swimming. A fabulous effort Elsie!
1V Vincent	For displaying impressive independence and organisation during the school swimming lessons. Super work Vincent!
2F Rishaan	For confidently participating in reading groups and maintaining his focus. Well done, Rishaan!
2L All of 2L	For showing respect towards each other and using your manners when taking turns. Well done!
2A Ethan	For the wonderful effort you are putting into your persuasive writing! Keep up the great work!






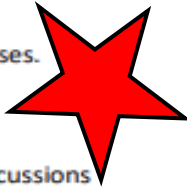
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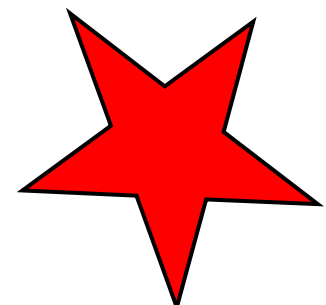
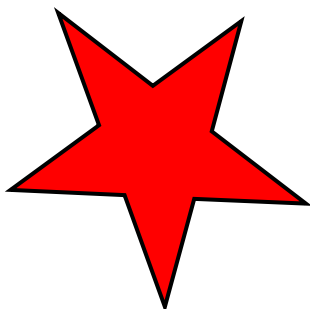
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| 2M Anson     | For the wonderful expert opinions he wrote for persuasive writing. A terrific effort Anson!  |
| 2B Heyvin.   | For the wonderful start to Term 4. Keep up the great work Heyvin!  |
| 3S Diniru    | For showing fantastic listening skills during lessons and being a wonderful helper in the classroom. Great work Diniru!  |
| 3T Aradhya   | For the detail and effort she puts into her homework each week. Outstanding work Aradhya!  |
| 3L All of 3L | For making a tremendous effort in making our new class member feel comfortable and feel loved. Great effort team!  |
| 3H Adrian    | For displaying your growing confidence during writing tasks. Your story planning has improved and the results have been obvious. Great work!                             |
| 3P Kai       | For the outstanding effort and perseverance he showed when calculating the area and perimeter of 'Flat Cat and Square Hare'. Amazing work Kai!!                          |
| 3U Phoebe    | For trying harder to focus during worked examples and discussions. Keep it up, Phoebe!   |
| 4F Rylie     | For the beautiful presentation of her work and for always completing class activities to a very high standard. Well done Rylie.  |
| 4M Zoe C     | For brightening our classroom with your wonderful sense of humour and for being a great friend to your peers.  |
| 4H Harry     | For contributing to class discussions with interest and enthusiasm. Well doe Harry!  |
| 4J Maryam    | For making plenty of progress in your writing, particularly in your discussion text!   |
| 4T Thivishan | For showing a large amount of maturity and resilience in class. Great job making the best use out of your learning time.   |
| 5C Srisa     | For consistently contributing to class discussions and making insightful contributions. Keep up the good work!   |
| 5M Oshima    | For designing an excellent newspaper 'O.R Times'. Your news articles and ad were written with great creativity. Great work, Oshima!                                      |
| 5MT Rachel T | For always working hard to complete all classroom activities to a very high standard. Keep up the great work Rachel!   |
| 5D Lucas     | For the effort he put into his newspaper. He worked hard and used his creativity to write a variety of articles for the newspaper. Well done, Lucas!                     |
| 5J Aris      | For the outstanding work he put into creating his newspaper. He put in a tremendous amount of effort and followed the structure perfectly! Keep up the great work, Aris! |
| 5T Georgia   | For being a hardworking, respectful and kind student. Keep up the great effort!  |
| 6F Ethan     | For your diligent work in our Math lessons on experimental and theoretical probability. You correctly expressed the data as fractions, decimals and percentages.         |





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- 6H Momin For coming a long way in injecting persistence to complete all assigned tasks independently and thoughtfully. Keep up the positive attitude Momin!
- 6M Diya For the persistence and self-confidence she has shown in the classroom. It was great to watch you succeed during our algebra lessons! Keep it up!
- 6T Niva For participating in class activities with enthusiasm. Your smile shows that you are enjoying what you are doing, keep it up Niva!
- 6O Saksham and Ronny For your participation in Pinewood sporting events. You demonstrated excellent sporting prowess and fantastic sportsmanship. Well done!
-  MUSIC Aidan 1S For doing an exceptional job with the fruit rhythms and playing the rhythm he had chosen so accurately for his classmates! Well done, Aidan!
- MUSIC Evan 5D For putting together a fantastic arrangement of rhythms, inclusive of a trip to the "dark side".
- Art Hannah 5D For fabulous work on her zentangle bug. Well done on a beautiful bug design and such wonderful detail.
- Art Iverson 2L For fantastic work on his rainbow butterfly and for working so hard in art classes. Great work helping your classmates and for being so kind! 
- FRENCH F-2 Luca 2M For his super work during French class this week. You contributed to class discussions about les cinq sens and wrote some excellent sentences. Fantastique Luca!
- FRENCH 3-6 Pratham 4H For his fantastique contribution to class discussions in French. You were able to share all of your amazing knowledge about the weather, seasons and months of the year. Keep up the great work Pratham!
- PE F-2 Nissa 2A For demonstrating amazing team work during the Year 2 games unit.
- PE 3-6 Sidhi 4H For being a wonderful contributor and leader during PE throughout the start of term 4. Keep up the amazing work!
- STEM F-2 Linn Phone 2B For demonstrating fantastic problem-solving skills when coding on the Sprite Box app. STEMsational work, Linn Phone!
- STEM 3-6 Sanira 4F For always showing persistence and kindness during STEM sessions. Keep up the great work Sanira!







# OSHClub News

## OSHClub News – TERM 4 WEEK 3



In week three, we've enjoyed our creative freedom on different days. On Tuesday, we had a fashion show with outfits made from Coles Recyclable bags. We saw many versions of what the children thought fashion was. The big highlight was parents getting onboard as well.



### HOUSE COMPETITION

For our second session of the term, we tested the skills of the teams with a rapid-fire version of tunnel ball and a link-up arm race. We got the children (Y5 & Y6) to lead the games this week and the leadership we saw from them was phenomenal. Sturt came in first this week followed by Dampier then Cook and Flinders - which then puts Dampier in first place overall.



### ELA – Extra Learning Activity

This term, we've got our Feathers, Fur and Scales ELA at no extra cost. Our first Monday (30<sup>th</sup> October) is fully booked in terms of the ELA but we still have spots for a normal after school care session. If your child is in Prep or Year 1, please let us know if they'd like to attend the ELA and we'll put them on the waitlist for the 13<sup>th</sup> November.



### PUPIL FREE DAY (6<sup>th</sup> November)

There is a pupil free day on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Nov and we're open from 7:15AM to 6PM. Please book on the app now or email or text us.



Pinewood OSHCLUB Team  
Email: pinewood@oshclub.com.au







# SPLASHTACULAR

Saturday 28th October

9am – 2pm

ALL WELCOME

- Face Painting
- Cupcake Stand

- Free Sausage Sizzle
- Free Tea and Coffee

- Fun activities involving your favourite coaches

*Celebrating*

**50**

YEARS

*in the community*







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# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Join us for a  
**SPOOKY TRICK  
or TREAT**

Tuesday 31st October, 3.30pm to 5pm

Free treats, face painting and glitter tattoos.



RESPECT

SELF CONFIDENCE

INTEGRITY

RESPONSIBILITY

OPTIMISM



# Weekend Mandarin classes

## Kaixin Chinese Learning Hub



### Term dates

Term 4, 2023  
7 Oct - 2 Dec 2023

Term 1, 2024  
3 Feb - 23 Mar 2024

### Locations

-  Box Hill
-  Camberwell
-  Glen Waverley
-  Kensington

Enquire for a  
**FREE TRIAL**  
class



Suitable for  
**non-native**  
speakers



Learning  
with **FUN**



**Small class**  
sizes



**Activity-based &  
play-based**  
learning



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