



22nd February 2024

Principal's Message

What's On...

February

- 23rd Year 6 Summer Interschool Sport Mount View PS (AB)
- 23rd Year 6 Jumper payments due on Compass
- 29th Leadership Badge Ceremony 10am in the School Hall

March

- 5th Year 6 Melbourne Aquarium Excursion
- 8th Year 6 Summer Interschool Sport Mount View PS (LJ)
- 8th Year 5 Healthy Living Incursion
- 11th Labor Day Holiday-no school on this day
- 12th Year 5 Healthy Living Incursion
- 15th Year 6 Summer Interschool Sport Mount View PS (JS)
- 20th School Colour Fun Run
- 22nd Year 6 Summer Interschool Sport Glen Waverley PS
- 23rd Year 5 Healthy Living Incursion
- 26th School Photos
- 27th Year 5 Healthy Living Incursion

Dear Parents/Carers,

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Just a reminder that School Council nomination forms may be collected from the school office.

I would like to encourage anyone who is interested to apply. I would also ask those who are completing their term of office to consider standing again.

All nominations must be lodged at the school office by 4.00pm on Monday 26th February 2024.



PARENT CURRICULUM INFORMATION SESSIONS - Wednesday 28th Feb

As the Year 3 and 5 teams were impacted by the severe weather on the 13th of February, all teams will present on the 28th February from 3:45-4:45pm. Year level class teachers will provide parents/carers with a Webex link to their specific year level curriculum information session for next Wednesday at 3.45pm.

All sessions will be recorded for parents to access, if not able to attend the virtual session.

THE YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP BADGE PRESENTATION CEREMONY

On Thursday 29th February, we will be conducting a badge presentation ceremony for our Year 6 student leaders. Mr. Matt Fregon, MP, will be our guest at the assembly and will present students with their leadership badges. The assembly will commence at 10.00 am in the hall. A morning tea for school leaders and their parent/carer will be conducted immediately after the ceremony.

SCHOOL CAMPING PROGRAM for 2024

School Council has approved the following Camps for 2024.



Year 6: Urban Camp, CYC City, Melbourne from Monday 11th November - Wednesday 13th November.

Year 5: Arrabri Lodge, Warburton, Monday 13th May - Wednesday 15th May.

Year 4: Camp Adanac, Yarra Junction, Monday 13th May - Wednesday 15th May.

Year 3: Phillip Island Adventure Resort, Monday 11th November - Wednesday 13th November.

CCTV

I wish to remind our community, as a courtesy, that we have CCTV cameras all around Pinewood PS. The purpose of these cameras is to provide security for our school campus out of school hours. CCTV is a very effective deterrent and helps us to ensure we are not subject to vandalism. The footage is kept for a period of approximately six weeks and is only accessed if there is an issue.



WURUNDJERI LANGUAGE EDUCATION

We have been offered an opportunity to participate in the Wurundjeri Communication Program. The Woiwurrung language has been lost for over 150 years. Murrindindi and his son (Pallyan) are excited to be able to bring it back to life and share and celebrate our local Indigenous language. Woiwurrung language was traditionally spoken and is reclaimed today by the Wurundjeri people, who inhabited the land along the Yarra and Maribyrnong Rivers. Woiwurrung language is also referred to as Eastern Kulin, or Central Victorian Language.

We are looking to present 4 units of the Language program over the course of the year. Each class will have the opportunity to participate in one 50min session with Pallyan during each of the 4 blocks of time.

At this stage we are looking at:



Term 1

26th February - 8th March - Unit 1. Wominjeka to Woiwurrung Language – GREETINGS

Term 2

22nd-26th April (4 Days - 25th Anzac Day) 29th April-2nd May (4 Days) 7 & 8th May (2 Days) - Unit 2. TBC

27th May - 7th June (8 Days) - Unit 3. TBC

Term 3

22nd July - 2nd August (8 Days) - Unit 4. TBC

The program will be provided free of charge to all students.



CONTACT NAMES/NUMBERS

Have your circumstances changed?

Please ensure you let the school office know, as soon as possible, if you have changed address or updated mobile phones with new numbers. This information alleviates stressful situations on students when they are ill, and we cannot contact parents.

2024 TERM DATES

In order to assist parents with planning for holidays the following are the school term dates for this year. Parents are asked to be mindful of the term dates when booking family holidays.

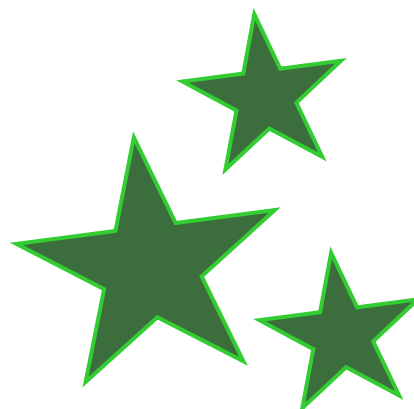
Term 1: 29 January to 28 March

Term 2: 15 April to 28 June

Term 3: 15 July to 20 September

Term 4: 7 October to 20 December

Karen Jenkin
Principal



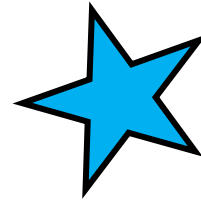
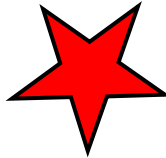
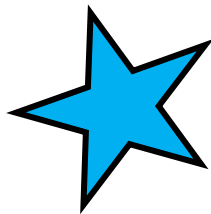


EXTREME WEATHER

We have a comprehensive set of procedures in place for when the weather is very hot or extreme. Students are brought inside to the classrooms at recess and lunch times during periods of 'wild', wet, or very hot weather as we have air conditioning throughout our school. For example, whenever the weather is particularly hot (at 33 degrees) we hold a "hot day timetable" where the students stay inside in air-conditioned comfort during lunchtime. We also encourage all students to drink water and to have a plastic, not glass, water bottle with them in class. Our school has invested in, and maintains, air conditioners in every classroom and other areas, including the specialist rooms, library, FLS areas and the Hall.

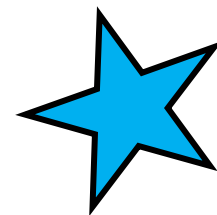
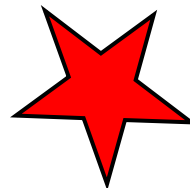


Please remember that school broad brimmed or legionnaire's hats need to be worn when students are playing outside and during PE classes when conducted outside. The use of sunscreen is encouraged.



Medication Reminder.

If your child requires medication at school. Please fill out a medication authorisation form. These are available from the school office. The medication must be in the original container with the original label and within its expiry date. Please hand all medication to the school nurse or if unavailable to the office staff.



ASTHMA ALERT.

If your child has Asthma, they require an Asthma action plan. Asthma Australia recommends the Asthma Action Plan should be updated whenever asthma medicines or your symptoms change. Otherwise, once a year for adults and every six months for children. (Please discuss this with your doctor).

Could you please provide the school with your child's current Asthma Action Plan, Ventolin and Spacer. If your child is able to self-manage their Ventolin and Spacer, they may keep this with them in class. If your child requires assistance, please provide the medication to the office.



ALERT: GET READY FOR THE BEST SCHOOL DAY EVER!

Hi Pinewood families,

We've got some exciting news to share - we are holding our Annual School Colour Fun Run! The *School Colour Run BIG SHOW* is all about FUN! There will be huge inflatables, and you will get to meet Chase the Cheetah! This will be one of the most exciting days on our school's calendar, with everyone participating. Parents will be most welcome to attend and cheer their children on.

We're reaching out to all our amazing families to join forces and make this a success. All it takes is:

1. creating an online profile and
2. sharing your link with family and friends.

Please mark your calendars - we will be holding our *BIG SHOW COLOUR RUN* on *Wednesday, 20th March!*

What is the School Fun Run?

Our School Fun Run is a special day where we promote wellbeing and a sense of accomplishment within the school community. Whilst the students can set up their own profile online, there is no obligation to fundraise. However, any money raised is put back into equipment and resources for the children.

For those that do fundraise you get to pick your target prizes and work your way towards that goal. And here's the cool part – your profile comes with a unique cyber-safe link to share with your nearest and dearest, encouraging them to contribute towards reaching your target.

What do we need you to do?

All we need you to do this week is create an online profile at funrun.com.au. The class with the most profiles by the 28th February will all get a Superdooper!

After the FUN RUN students who have fundraised can order their prizes – ALL PRIZES MUST BE ORDERED ONLINE
Please contact your school's coordinator if this isn't possible.

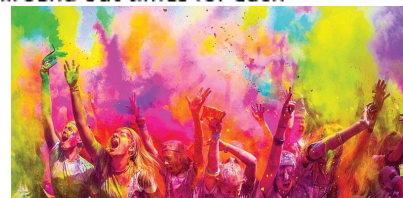
Prizes **MUST** be ordered between the **20th March** and **28th March**. Simply visit funrun.com.au to create/log into your Profile Page between these dates. Then click on the 'CLAIM YOUR PRIZE' button and follow the prompts. If you have any questions, please contact the *School Fun Run* team on 1800 FUN RUN and they will gladly assist!

We can't wait to have a great time and see which teachers we will slime this year.

This is an inclusive fundraiser and we would love you to be a part of it! If you would like to come down and watch your kids run, we would love to see you there! I will send out times for each year level closer to the day.

Thank-you all in advance,

Sandra McGregor on behalf of the Student Representative Council





SPORTS ACHIEVEMENT SHOUTOUTS!



It is with immense pride and joy that we announce the outstanding achievements of a few Pinewood PS students in the recent 2024 Coles Little Athletics Regional Championships.

Among the myriad of remarkable performances, several of our students secured top honors in their respective events, earning accolades and commendations that resonate far beyond the confines of our school grounds.

Congratulations to the following students:

Nyah 3L

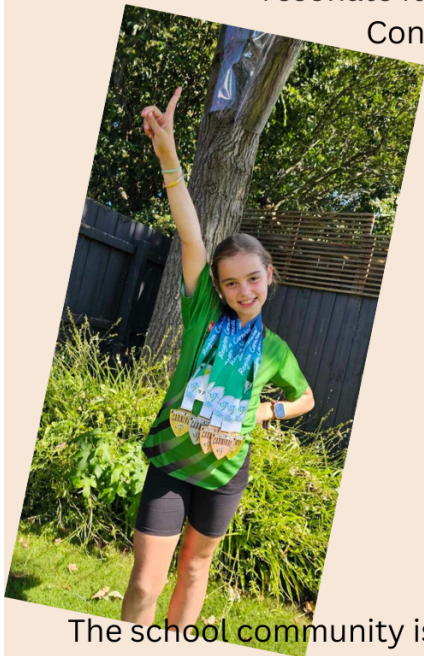
- High Jump - Gold
- 60m Hurdles - Gold
- 70m - Silver
- 100m - Bronze
- 200m - Bronze

Cyara 3L

- 70m - Gold
- 100m - Gold

Shaassvi 6P

- Shotput- Gold
- Javelin- Gold



The school community is very proud of you and we wish you the best of luck at the upcoming State Championships!





2024 WAVERLEY CENTRAL DISTRICT SWIMMING

21/02/2024

What an exhilarating day it was at the Waverley Central District Swimming Carnival yesterday! As the sun kissed the water and the cheers echoed through the air, a select group of the top Pinewood swimmers competed against schools from our local network.

Competing in such a high-stakes environment is no easy feat. It requires discipline, determination, and a commitment to excellence.

For those who participated, your contributions were invaluable and you should be very proud of being selected to represent our school.

Congratulations to:

- Brooklyn 3L
- Livia 3L
- Grant 4H
- Hugo 4F
- Tianzi 4K
- Kellis 5D
- Tim 5MT
- Ryllie 5MT
- Rhea 5P
- Ashley 6F
- Nicole 6HC
- Virain 6O
- Tiantian 6O



Good luck to those of you who were successful in progressing to the next stage of the competition- the Monash-Waverley Division Championships- to be held next week.

Go Pinewood!





YEAR 6 INTERSCHOOL SPORTS

LAST FRIDAY, STUDENTS FROM YEAR 6 AT PINWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL TOOK PART IN THE FIRST WEEK OF INTER-SCHOOL SPORTS FOR THE YEAR. THIS WAS QUITE A MILESTONE EVENT FOR 2 REASONS:

- THIS WAS THE FIRST PROPER RETURN TO WEEKLY SPORT SINCE THE PANDEMIC FOR PINWOOD STUDENTS
- THIS YEAR WE ARE PART OF A BRAND NEW, RESTRUCTURED DISTRICT- WAVERLEY CENTRAL DISTRICT- AND ARE COMPETING WITH A WHOLE NEW GROUP OF SCHOOLS!

STUDENTS COMPETED IN A VARIETY OF SPORTS AGAINST OUR FIRST NEW OPPONENTS- GLENDAL PRIMARY SCHOOL. THE SPORTS PLAYED INCLUDED CRICKET BLAST, HOT SHOTS TENNIS, ROUNDERS, SOFTBALL, BASKETBALL AND VOLLEYBALL.

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR PARENT HELPERS CLAIRE, ANN AND ADAM WHO HELPED RUN OUR BASKETBALL MATCHES.

WELL DONE TO ALL OF THE YEAR 6 COHORT WHO ALL PARTICIPATED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE TEAMS. THERE WERE SOME VERY COMPETITIVE MATCHES AND NAIL-BITING PERFORMANCES, AND ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF INVOLVED HAD A FANTASTIC TIME.

GO PINWOOD!

Round 2 Results		
Sport	Pinewood	Glendal
Basketball Boys	33	4
Basketball Girls	22	22
Cricket Boys A	83	120
Cricket Boys B	74	56
Cricket Girls	59	101
Hot Shots Tennis Boys	9	3
Hot Shots Tennis Girls	1	11
Rounders Mixed	5	5
Softball Boys	9	16
Softball Girls	20	20
Volleyball Mixed	1	2
Volleyball Girls	1	2

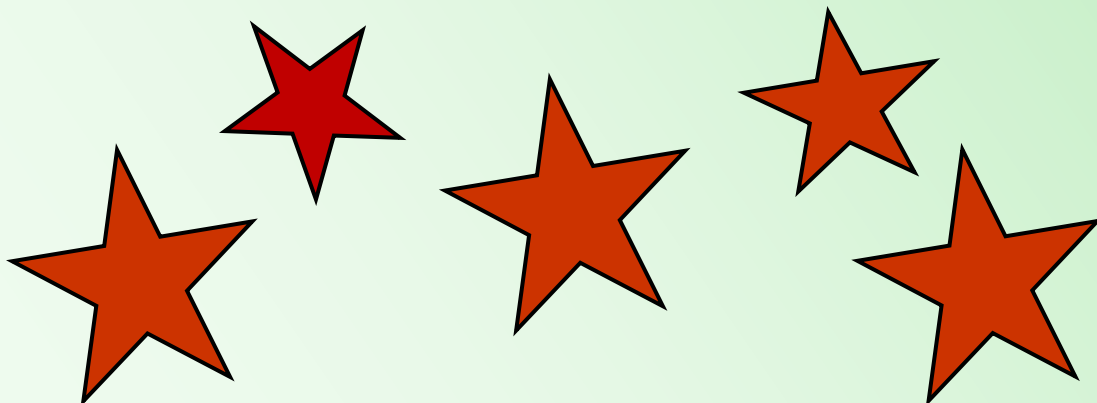




Creative Pinewood Logo Designs!

The Year Four cohort created amazing painted and decorated logos of Pinewood Primary School using a variety of colourful poster paints and paint markers. Students' concentrated on the skills of appropriate activation of poster paints and the use of repeated line patterns to create vibrant and striking designs. The finished results are a testament to the talents of our Year Four group. Please look out for these wonderful designs in our current corridor display.

Ms Francine Combes
Mr Josh Barrett
Visual Arts Department





Camps, Sports and Excursions fund eligibility

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a mature minor of sixteen years of age or over, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
 - on the first day of Term two.
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Eligibility | education.vic.gov.au](#)

Mature minors or parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and seventeen years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and eighteen years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooling, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders, CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on **29 January 2024 and/or 15 April 2024**.

Payment amounts

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$150.00 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$250.00 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly the school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Payment amounts | education.vic.gov.au](#)

Foundation and Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents, so please register your interest at the school.

How to complete the application form

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2024 closes at the end of term two 2024.

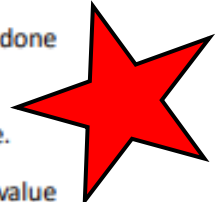
CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

If you have PREVIOUSLY applied for CSEF, **THERE IS NO NEED** for you **TO COMPLETE A NEW FORM FOR 2024, UNLESS YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL STUDENT/S NOW AT THE SCHOOL.** YOUR CURRENT **CENTRELINK CARD** will be verified. CSEF forms are now available from the school office. Please provide a copy of your eligibility card with your completed form by *the end of Term 2, Friday 28th June 2024*



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

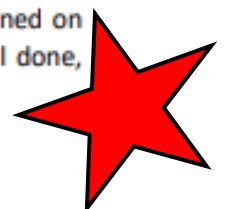
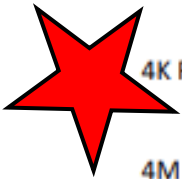
PD Grace	"For coming to school happily, showing me your beautiful smile and trying your best. A wonderful effort Grace!"
PM Audrey	For consistently demonstrating self-confidence in all of your tasks. Well done, Audrey!
PK Thomas	For always coming to school with a smile and for settling into Prep so well! Well done Thomas!
PK Ellie	For having such a beautiful manner and for always coming to school with a smile.
PR Wolfgang	For continuing to practise your whole body listening and displaying our school value of self-confidence. Well done Wolfgang!
PR Alexandra	For always bringing your smile and laughter to the classroom. Well done Alex!
PJ Ryan L	For using his whole body listening during learning time and adjusting so well to the classroom routines. Well done Ryan!
PS Rosie	For consistently trying her best and always following my instructions. Well done Rosie!
1B Chyna	For the care, effort and detail that you put into each task. You always give learning tasks 100% and approach your learning with optimism.
1S Sreshta	For consistently showing whole body listening during class time and putting 100% effort into everything that you do. Well done Sreshta!
1L Annabella	For your fantastic recount on our Pet Tour this week. You did a great job at adding in all the important information in your writing. Well done Annabella!
1T Karthik	For showing all the school values as soon as the year began. You are a great model for your class. Keep it up!
1H Ian	For working hard with his recount writing this week. Ian was able to follow the structure and present work of good quality. Well done Ian!
1G Theodore	For always having a go at every task, taking on feedback and always making 1G smile. Well done Theodore!
2J Danuk	For setting excellent learning goals. I look forward to watching you achieve them, Danuk!
2L Ulysses	For being a fantastic syllable detective and identifying syllables in many different challenging words. Incredible work Ulysses!
2A Max D	For showing all the school values in and out of the classroom! Well done Max!
2M Cooper	For completing tasks on time and to a high standard. Cooper has made a wonderful start to the year.
2C Claire	For being a supportive and responsible member of 2C. We appreciate all of your hard work Claire!
2PB Narmi	For her consistency in and out of the classroom. Well done for always being so positive and kind. Keep it up, Narmi!
2B Bella	For showing a lot of interest in listening and learning. Well done Bella!!





STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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| 3D Emmaya | For consistently showing the school values and being a fantastic role model to the rest of 3D! |
| 3L Vanya | For submitting your homework on time and completing all sections to the best of your ability and a very high standard. Well done! |
| 3H Hashir | For displaying the school values of respect and responsibility. You have listened to feedback and improved your work ethic to achieve great results! |
| 3P Joanna | For the amazing effort she put into her reading homework. There was so much expression in your voice! Well done! |
| 3U Vienna | For her excellent work habits and contributing regularly to class discussions. Keep it up, Vienna! |
| 4C Iris | For consistently displaying the school values in our classroom and for being successful in obtaining the 4C SRC position. Well done! |
| 4F Micah | For his fantastic procedural text. He had explicit instructions and presented his work beautifully. Keep up the excellent work Micah. |
| 4H Kimberley | For showing the ability to take excellent notes. Well done Kimberley, keep working hard! |
| 4K Rui | For her attentiveness during lessons and producing immaculate writing which have been a joy to read! Keep up the fabulous work! |
| 4M Aadhya | For settling in well to Pinewood and to 4M, and for working hard across all areas. |
| 4T Kayden | For the strong efforts you have already shown to improve your note taking skills. Keep up the great work. |
| 5P Risa | For displaying friendship and courtesy to her classmates. |
| 5MP Caleb | For showing excellent problem solving skills in Math, as well as assisting other students with work when finished. Well done Caleb! |
| 5MT Disha | For your wonderful contributions to class discussions and for being a great role model to others. Keep it up! |
| 5D Kellis | For writing a fabulous orientation for her narrative. It set the scene and introduced the characters. Well done! |
| 5V Neya | For using great emotive and descriptive language during our narrative writing lessons. Well done! |
| 6F Archie | For your enthusiasm towards Grade Six Sport. What an asset you are to our rounders team. Great work, Archie! |
| 6HC Sandra | For the hard-working attitude you've shown during class time. You've remained on task and focused to ensure your work is completed to a high standard. Well done, Sandra! |
| 6P Armaan | For completing your homework to a high standard! Great job! |





STUDENT OF THE WEEK

6T Janesh For the terrific effort you have shown in all class work. You take your learning seriously and you take great pride in your work. Well done!

6O Virain For displaying your hard-working attitude during class time. You are ready to help others and you ensure you complete your work to a high standard. You are making a positive difference in 6O!

MUSIC Abhi S 1L

For working extra hard in music, writing excellent rhythms and helping others. Keep up the fantastic music work and effort!

MUSIC Avery 4K

For creating a fantastic plan with a great musical vision for her upcoming project!

Art Rehan 2L

For an amazing start to the school year in Art. Amazing work on your Rainbow Serpent artwork Rehan. So proud of how far you've come!

Art Steven 4C

For fabulous work on his Pinewood Primary art piece! Wonderful painting skills Steven, keep it up!

FRENCH F-2 Tathluach 2B

For working extra hard in your pronunciation of the French words, your participation in class was so so great this week. Be proud of yourself.

FRENCH 3-6 Theodore 4T

For your awesome participation in the French class, sharing some fun facts about the language and the origin of French!

PE F-2 Freya 1G

For your wonderful start to PE this year. Keep up the fantastic effort!

PE 3-6 Juhi 4M

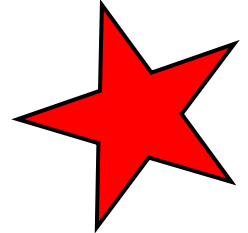
For your outstanding efforts in the year 4 tennis unit! Keep up the amazing work!

STEM F-2 Chyna and Tara 1B

For using excellent scientific inquiry skills when investigating shadows!

STEM 3-6 5D

For your awesome team effort during the yard clean up after the storm. Well done, 5D!



GREAT JOB!



22nd February 2024
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2024 WAVERLEY BLUES COME & PLAY

AUSKICK (5YO +) | SUPERKICK (8-12YO) | JUNIORS (8-18YO)

JUNIORS & SUPER KICK CONTACT

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