



3rd April 2025



What's On...

April

4th Last day of Term 1 -
2.30pm dismissal
The Office closes at
3pm

22nd Term 2 commences

23rd WCD Girls Soccer Gala
Day—selected
students only

24th Curriculum Day no
students are required
at school on this day.

25th ANZAC Day - no
students are required
at school on this day.

May

21st-23rd
Year 5 Camp Arrabri
Lodge Warburton

Year 6 WCD Winter Sports

Rnd 1: 28th March vs. Glendal PS
Rnd 2: 4th April vs. Glen Waverley
25th April ANZAC Day BYE
Rnd 3: 2nd May vs Glendal PS
Rnd 4: 9th May vs Mt View Blue
Rnd 5: 16th May vs Mt View Yellow
Rnd 6: 23rd May BYE
Rnd 7: 30th May BYE
Rnd 8: 6th June BYE
Rnd 9: 13th June vs Mt View Yellow
Rnd 10: 20th June vs Glen Waverley

Principal's Message

CONGRATULATIONS SRC REPS.

On Tuesday morning, students who have been elected as SRC members, received their leadership badges in recognition of the important role they play in the decision-making processes at PPS. Students from Years 3-6, have an opportunity to be elected by their class as the class Student Representative Council (SRC) member. The SRC meet fortnightly, with two teachers, Mr Hartigan and Mr Fenton, and Leadership staff, Mrs Warfield and Miss McGregor, to discuss and find potential solutions for issues raised by the class or bring good ideas for various activities students may wish to initiate, e.g fund raising for groups in the community.

HARMONY DAY CELEBRATION

On Tuesday, we celebrated Harmony Day with a whole school assembly and a Harmony Day parade on the sports field. It was a sea of beautiful national costumes, worn with such pride, and the colour 'orange' representing harmony and togetherness. Students participated in a day of activities designed to bring an awareness to, and celebrate, Harmony Day. Different year levels enjoyed a picnic lunch together on the sports field or in the courtyard. It was wonderful to see so many parents in attendance at the assembly as well.



RESPECT

SELF CONFIDENCE

INTEGRITY

RESPONSIBILITY

OPTIMISM



COMMUNITY CELEBRATION EVENING

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our community event on Tuesday evening. It was a fabulous opportunity to come together as a school community and participate in various fun activities and meet up with other families too. I'd like to take this opportunity to again thank the staff of Pinewood who worked as a wonderful team at various stations, face painting, the barbecue and supporting various fun activities occurring on the sports field, throughout the evening.

PARENTS CLUB - THANK YOU!

The students were very excited to have the Easter Egg raffle drawn at the Community evening. With 32 beautifully presented raffle prizes to choose from, student excitement was palpable. Many thanks to the Parents Club for organising such a successful raffle.



DANGEROUS BIKE RIDING BEHAVIOURS

We have received a serious complaint from a concerned member of the community in relation to multiple students from PPS exhibiting dangerous bike riding behaviours within the Pinewood Shopping Centre precinct. If your child rides a bike to school, I urge you as parent/s to revisit safe and compliant road rules with them and their need to be aware of elderly pedestrians and others, who are walking along footpaths or crossing at a pedestrian crossing and what 'responsible and respectful' bike riding behaviours look like.



ANZAC DAY BAGDES

Anzac Day badges and wrist bands are now available for students to purchase during each recess at the front of the school office, until the end of term \$2.00-\$5.00.

END OF TERM 1

A reminder that tomorrow, Friday 4th April, is the last day of term 1. The students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. OSHClub will be operating from 2.30pm should you require their service.

TERM 2: Commences on Tuesday 22nd of April

Please note the following dates are student free days at Pinewood Primary School

- **Curriculum Day** - Thursday 24th April (OSHClub will be available for bookings)
- **Anzac Day, Public Holiday** - Friday 25th April

UPDATE - ACTING PRINCIPAL

I will be taking the first week of term 2 as Long Service Leave, returning to Pinewood Primary School on Monday 28th April. During my leave, Mr. Andrew Thomas will be Acting Principal.

Enjoy a safe and relaxing Autumn break everyone.
Look forward to seeing everyone soon!

Karen Jenkin
Principal





Year 3 Market Fresh Incursion!

On Wednesday 26th March, the Grade Threes had a Market Fresh Incursion in the hall. We learnt about why healthy foods are important. We watched a little video to see how fruit grows. We learnt that wasps protect broccoli because if a caterpillar comes, it will be eaten by a wasp and it won't harm the broccoli. Next, we talked about tips for healthy food. The instructor said that you should actually keep tomatoes in your fruit basket in your kitchen. If you keep them in the fridge, they will lose their flavour. After that, we ate some healthy foods, such as bananas, cucumbers, capsicums, avocados, oranges, apples and cherry tomatoes. I liked it because I got to try new food.

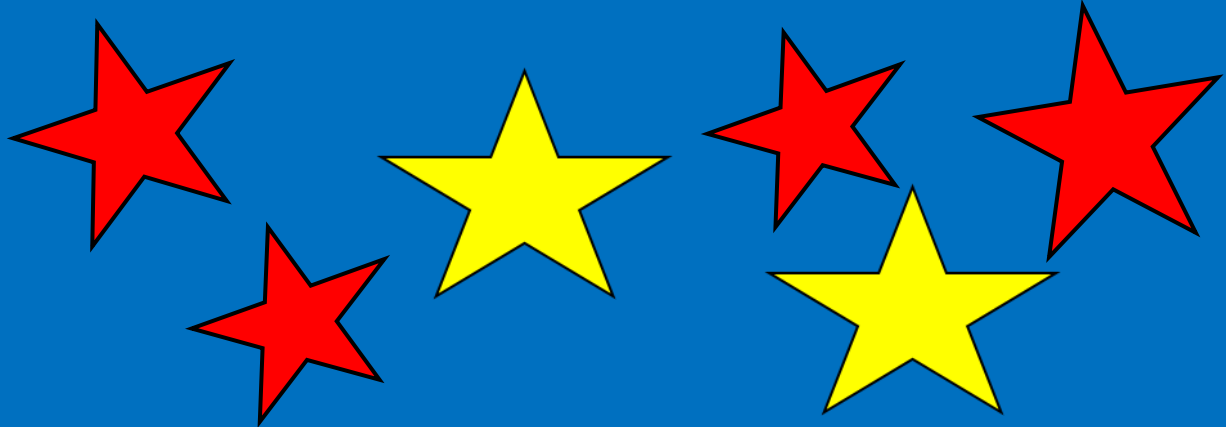
By Amrutha, 3F



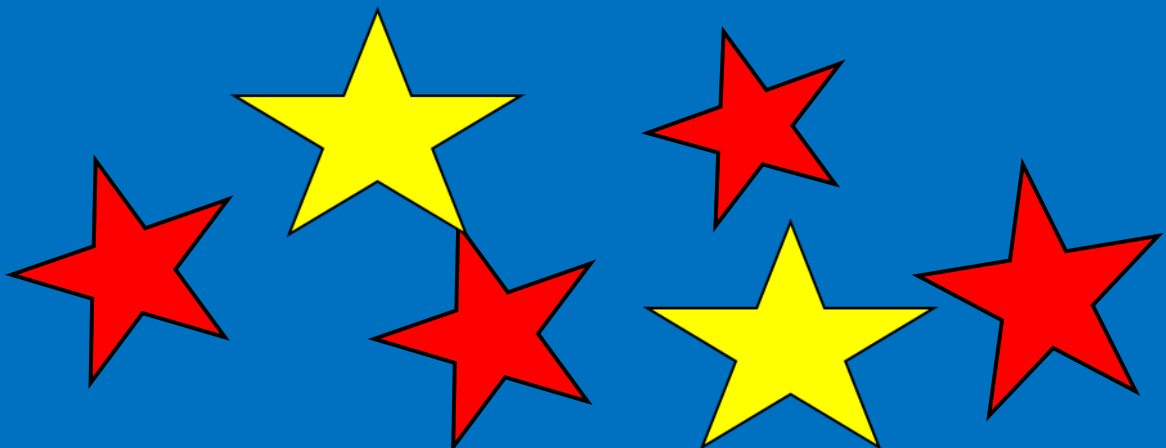
My class and I went to a Market Fresh Incursion. It was a fruit and vegetable incursion. We sat in a circle and the teachers shared a big platter of food with us. We had cucumbers, avocado dip, tomatoes, pineapples, apples, oranges and bananas. I felt amazing because I found out that our taste buds change every 15 – 28 days. I love tomato now because my taste buds have changed.

By Daniel 3F





Congratulations to Coco in 6H, who competed in her Domestic Basketball grand final on Monday night. Coco scored an impressive 9 out of the 14 points for her team. A future basketball professional in the making, Coco's hard work and dedication were evident throughout the game. Well done!



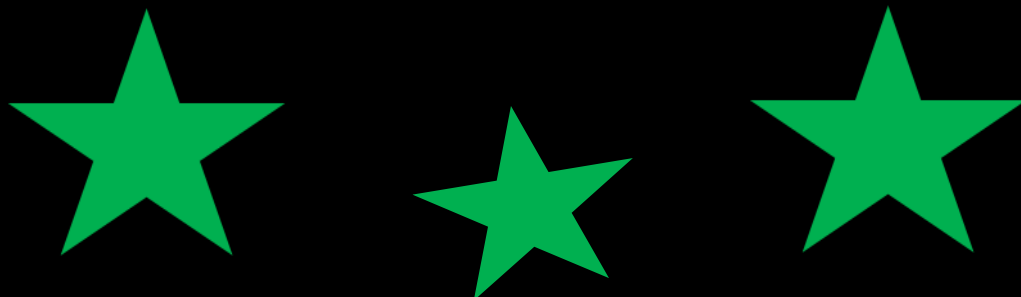


What's Black and White.....?

Year Five students channelled their amazing drawing skills and powers of observation in interpreting these striking zebra images. They used black and white scratch paper and a variety of scratching implements to reflect the wonderful line patterns of African zebras.

An amazing effort from our talented students with congratulations to all featured artists this week.

Ms Francine
Visual Arts





THANK YOU

A HUGE THANK YOU

to the Pinewood Primary School Community for helping make this year's Easter Raffle such a big success.

The total amount raised was \$1,522.70, which will go towards new classroom/hall equipment. Without the support of your donations and the buying of tickets this would not have been possible.

We would like to also thank the following businesses/people for donating prizes:

Café 57
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Boost Juice
Action Indoor Sports Box Hill
Waverley Animal Hospital
Storybook Swag
Logitech
Hewlett Packard
Carina Garland MP (Federal)
Matt Fregon MP (State)
Pinewood Market

THANK YOU



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](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Camps_Sports_and_Excursions_Fund(CSEF):_Eligibility)

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 (see [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Policy | education.vic.gov.au](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Camps_Sports_and_Excursions_Fund(CSEF):_Policy)).

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.

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

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](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Camps_Sports_and_Excursions_Fund(CSEF):_Payment_amounts)

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.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years

If you received CSEF in 2024, **THERE IS NO NEED for you TO COMPLETE A NEW FORM FOR 2025, 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 4th July 2025.**



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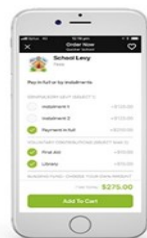
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SCHOOL TERMS 2 & 3

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