



10th October 2024

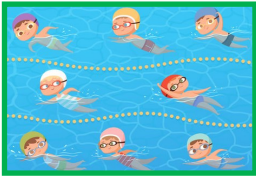
Principal's Message

What's On...

Term 4

October

- 10th Year 2 Disco
6.30—8pm
School Hall
- 11th SRC Cupcake Day
- 14th Swimming program commences for Preps, Year 1, 2A & 2M
- 14th Division Finals - Boys Hotshots Tennis
- 23rd SchoolPix—Sibling & Graduation Photos
- 24th Eastern Metropolitan Region Athletics Championships—Tom Kelly Athletics Track in Doncaster
- 25th World Teacher's Day
- 27th Swimming program commences for 2J 2C 2B 2L 2PB 4K 4H 4F 4C and Year 5



November

- 4th **Student Free Day no children are to attend school on this day.**
- 5th **Melbourne Cup Public Holiday**
- 7th Year 1 Activity Night
5.15pm

Dear Parents/Carers,

WELCOME BACK to Term 4

Welcome back to school for Term 4. Time seems to be flying by very fast. Our prep students look more grown up every term and are really making huge progress in their learning, and our wonderful year 6 students will be off to secondary school in just a few months. We have many exciting activities and learning opportunities planned for our students this term, including several year level camps, (Yr 6 and Yr 3), the Year 2 Disco, Year 1 Activity Night, and some fabulous excursions and incursions.

This term is sure to be very busy with our leadership team and staff being involved in planning for the 2025 school year as well as delivering a high-quality curriculum and additional learning opportunities for our students.

Please note that Monday 4th November is a Curriculum Day (Assessment and Reporting) and Tuesday 5th November is a public holiday for the Melbourne Cup, thus our school will be closed on these two days. OSHClub will be open for bookings for Curriculum Day (Monday 4th November) should you require this service.

DIVISION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to our 49 athletes who participated in the Division Athletics Carnival on Wednesday. You were all great ambassadors for our school and demonstrated great team spirit and outstanding efforts in your individual events. Several of our students have made it through to the regional level. Well done!



THE SWIMMING PROGRAM

The Pinewood PS Swimming program commences this term for all classes with our Prep and Year 1 students commencing the swimming program next week.

This year's swimming program will again take place at SwimWorld. One of the advantages of conducting the swimming program at SwimWorld is that we have the venue to ourselves on the lesson days (the pool not being open to the public). The students participate in eight swimming lessons over two weeks. Pinewood PS's priority is to provide a valuable, AUSTSWIM approved swimming program for our students, that includes water safety, confidence around water and stroke development. Swimming, and especially, water safety and survival, is an important part of our Health and Physical Education Program. I encourage all students to participate in the water safety program.

CAPITAL WORKS PROJECT

The Victorian Schools Building Authority (VSBA) has currently placed the new gymnasium project design for PPS, out to tender. I shall inform the community once the VSBA has completed their process and what the next steps will be.





SMART HATS for Term One and Term Four. **NO HAT NO PLAY!**

A reminder for this term, 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. Please ensure your child's hat is clearly labelled with their name, as a name on a hat assists with the returning of a hat to the correct owner, should the hat be found outside or misplaced.



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 from Monday 7th October through until the end of Term 1, 2025 when involved in outdoor activities or outdoor recess.

PREP ENROLLMENTS for 2025



As a result of the strong interest in PPS and our ongoing growth, the Department of Education have continued with enrolment restrictions on our school. In short, the school remains to be a school where enrolments are accepted for 2025 by living 'in zone' and/or making a sibling application.

We are currently finalising student enrolments for Prep 2025. If you are a parent at our school and have a younger sibling to enrol for next year, please download an enrolment form from the website and return it to the school or see Grace or Jan at our school office for an enrolment form as soon as you can.

PLANNING FOR 2025

We are at that time of the year where we are in the process of planning for 2025. We know that some families unfortunately won't be with us next year, due to moving to a new house or area etc. If that includes your family, we are sorry to see you leave our community. Please ensure that you call the school on 8847 3200 or email pinewood.ps@education.vic.gov.au to inform us of your plans at your earliest convenience. This supports us with our planning for next year. We thank you for your support and understanding.



CLASS PLACEMENT for 2025

Over the next few weeks, we will be working on the 2025 class structure and, later in the term, student placement. The process is a complex one. Firstly, we identify our estimated enrolment and then look at the numbers in each year level to develop a class structure, thus the importance of timely information from parents.

Teachers work in their teams to develop preliminary class lists. They consider a number of factors when developing these lists; including academic ability, special skills and talents, social competencies, students who work well together and those who may not work well together.

Skills needed for 'building new relationships' are an important part of our educative process, so please note that friendship groupings are considered only for unique needs.

Parent input, based strictly on student learning needs, is also considered. Parents who have specific concerns about their child's unique learning needs for 2025 are invited to provide written information to Ms Jenkin (not the class teacher) by **4.00pm Friday 8th November**.

Please note that we are not able to consider information received after this date as once class lists are made up, they are extremely difficult, if not impossible, to change.

Parents occasionally place requests for teachers. Please be aware that this facility is **not available** for a number of reasons. For instance, teachers may leave the school, or they may be deployed to other year levels or roles in the school.

The ultimate responsibility for student and teacher allocations rests with the principal. Our school processes are most comprehensive and professional with decisions always made in the best interest of our students.



LATE STUDENT PICK UPS FROM SCHOOL



All students are dismissed from their classes at 3.30pm. Please notify the office if you are going to be late to pick up your child/children. It can be distressing for students if their parent/carers have not arrived to collect them, nor communicated with the office that they are running late to pick them up. Reminder- OSHClub is available for bookings, should you require their child minding service before and/or after school hours at pinewood@oschclub.com.au or mobile: 0409 906 462.

Karen Jenkin
Principal

SCHOLASTIC
Book Clubs

Welcome back to Term 4 and a huge term in **BOOK CLUB** coming up with only **2 issues to go!**

ONLINE ORDERS ONLY. NO CASH ORDERS PLEASE.

ISSUE 7 is out now and it's a BUMPER issue!

Orders close Monday 28th October

There are some fantastic deals available in Issue 7:

- The Free Book Offer from Issue 5 is happening again this issue with up to 3 free books available per family on LOOP orders only!
- So many packs and sets are featured in this catalogue with our most popular series'!
- The new Bad Guys and the new Dragon Girls books are out!
- Lots of Christmas books and other Christmas gift ideas too.

The \$5 Credit Promo is also continuing, so those who purchased on Issue 6 will have a Credit to spend, and those purchasing this issue will have one to spend on Issue 8!

ORDER NOW!



Division Athletics Carnival

The Division Athletics Carnival was a resounding success, with all Pinewood students showcasing their dedication and talent throughout the day. Perfect weather conditions contributed to the vibrant atmosphere, making it an enjoyable experience for everyone involved. The students demonstrated remarkable effort in their events, embodying the spirit of sportsmanship and teamwork.

Several Pinewood athletes achieved exceptional results, with some of them qualifying to progress to the regionals. Their hard work and determination were evident as they competed against other schools, proudly representing Pinewood. The sense of camaraderie and encouragement from peers created an inspiring environment that fuelled everyone's performance.

The day was filled with excitement, showcasing the athletic prowess of our students and highlighting their commitment to excellence. Congratulations to all participants for their outstanding efforts and to those advancing to the next level—Pinewood is proud of you!



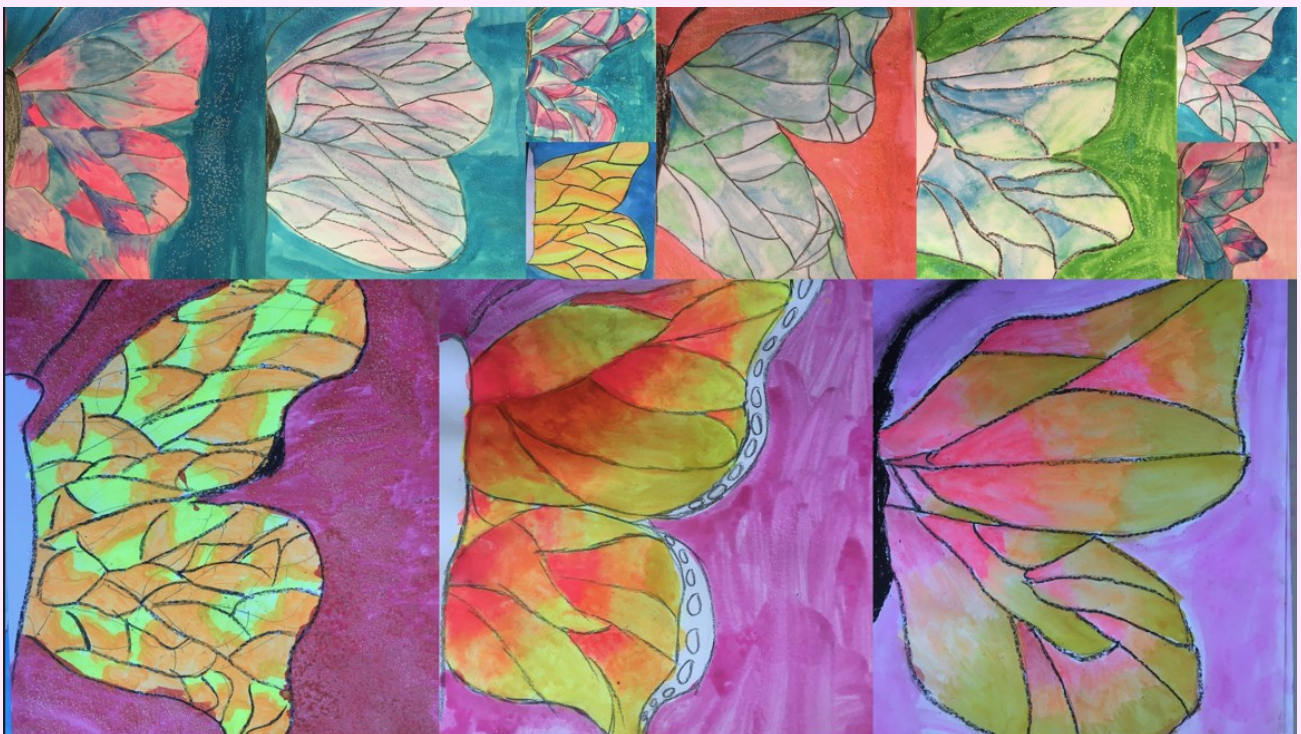
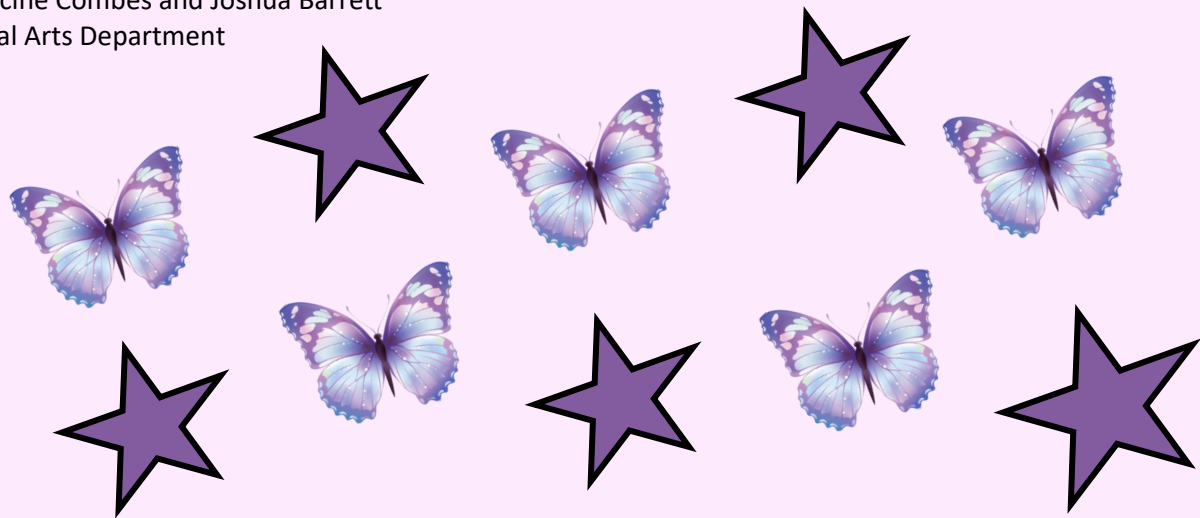


Spring Butterflies



The Year Three cohort have achieved wonderful results in these detailed nature studies reflecting half butterflies. The students used a range of materials including crayons, poster paint, food dye and salt to create realistic representations of butterfly wings. The art pieces are a colourful reminder of springtime, nature and the incredible diversity found within the world of insects. Congratulations to all featured artists.

Francine Combes and Joshua Barrett
Visual Arts Department





**PARENTS CLUB
BUNNINGS BBQ
(SPRINGVALE)**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - REMAINING SHIFTS

• SATURDAY 26th OCTOBER

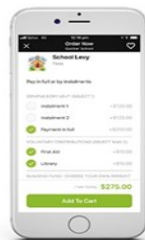
 8AM - 10AM (1 person to cook) 

8AM - 10AM (1 person to serve)

10AM - 12PM (1 person to cook)

12PM - 2PM (2 people to cook)

• 2PM - 4.:30PM (1 person to cook
& 2 people to serve)

**Ready for Pinewood Primary School Parents...
Download and use the Qkr App today!**



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**Please update your child's
2024 grade on the QKR App!**



HALLOWEEN DRESS UP

Thursday
31ST
OCTOBER

The Parents Club have
organised a
FUN & SPOOKY
dress up day to celebrate
Halloween.

**GOLD COIN DONATION WOULD
BE GREATLY APPRECIATED**



Pinewood OSHClub
Newsletter
October 2024



What's been happening...

Holiday Program

Our Spring Holiday Program was an incredible success! The children had a blast welcoming the new season with tons of outdoor fun! We kicked off our adventures with an unforgettable trip to Chesterfield Farm, where we fed adorable animals like cows, goats, deer, and chickens! But that's not all! We dove into excitement with an action-packed archery incursion and let imaginations run wild during our superhero model creation session. The kids crafted their very own speed racers and built epic ramps for them to zoom down!

Their creativity shone brightly as they made fantastic recyclable octopi and got hands-on with water experiments! Plus, they joined in on a whirlwind of sports-related group games, making memories and friendships that will last a lifetime! What a fantastic way to celebrate spring!



Mon-Fri 07:00-08:50 3:30 - 6:00
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1300 395 735



Policy Corner

Bookings and Notifications

Please ensure your child's bookings are up to date and accurate on the Kidsoft Parent Portal and/or the app. You can make a bookings 24 (business days) hours prior to the session and cancel a booking 48 hours prior to a session. If you would like to make a last-minute booking, please reach out to the team on our phone number and we will be happy to assist. If your child is booked in for a Stay and Play session and will not be attending, please let the team know through a text or a phone call. Please be aware our team is not in during school hours and will get back to you as soon as we can.

Multi-Sport Extended Learning Activity

We are excited to announce OSHClub will be running an Extended Learning Activity from the 23rd of October 2024, every Wednesday afternoon. This term we will be hosting Multi Sports! So, get your athletics on and join us every Wednesday afternoon.



Extended Learning Activity:

Multi-Sport

What:

Multi-Sport gives kids a chance to experience activities based around developing different coordination, teamwork, and rule-based skills.

When:

Dates:
23rd October 2024
30th October 2024
6th November 2024
13th November 2024
Time: 4:00pm - 5:30 pm

Mon-Fri 07:00-08:50 3:30 - 6:00
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STEP INTO THE FUTURE INFORMATION EVENING FOR FUTURE FAMILIES

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The evening offers prospective parents a valuable opportunity to gain a deep understanding of Salesian's core values and specialised boys' only balanced approach.

Meet our College Principal Mr Mark Ashmore, students and Assistant Principals across all College areas and learn more about how we guide our boys to achieve their full potential in a safe and inclusive learning environment

Find out more about our exciting new Year 7 & 8 Precinct, where we're creating state-of-the-art learning spaces that will support the academic, social, and emotional growth of our boys.

Information Evening For Future Families

Date: Tuesday 12 November, 2024

Time: 6:45pm

Location: Salesian College - 10 Bosco St, Chadstone

Register your attendance for our upcoming Information Evening for Future families on Tuesday 12 November via www.salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/

WEEKLY MONDAY MORNING SCHOOL TOURS

Our weekly Monday Tours provide families with the opportunity to learn more about our outstanding 2023 Results, College facilities and our broad curriculum and program offerings.

Book an in-person Monday tour via www.salesian.vic.edu.au/book-a-tour/

LIVERPOOL FC AFTER SCHOOL SOCCER CLINICS

Keep your 'A Game' during Term 4 at our Liverpool FC International Academy after-school soccer program at Salesian College Chadstone.

Day: Monday afternoons
Time: 4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

Register your attendance via the link: www.salesian.vic.edu.au/about-us/community-partnership/

YEAR 7, 2026 ENROLMENTS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED

Applications for Year, 7 2026 closed on Friday 16 August, 2024. At this time we are still accepting enrolments for Year 7, 2026.

We have limited places for the Year 7 2025 enrolment year, as well as limited availability across other year levels.

Get in touch with our College Registrar Michelle Collins or apply online today via www.salesian.vic.edu.au/enrolment/apply/



View our full 2023 Highlights and Results via salesian.vic.edu.au