



Leadership News

It's hard to believe that we're already coming to the end of Term 3. This term has been quite busy and filled with many great achievements for our students.

Tournament of the Minds

Three groups of Year 5/6 students spent 6 weeks preparing for their Tournament of the Minds (TOM) challenge. All groups chose to participate in the STEM challenge this year. They worked well together to create scripts, props, and devices to meet their challenge. Many families and teachers came out to support them on presentation day. All of the teams did a fantastic job and two of the teams received honours. Congratulations to all the TOM participants for their hard work and dedication.

Festival of Music Choir

Twenty Year 5/6 students travelled to Adelaide to perform on stage at the Festival Theatre as part of the Festival of Music. They sang in a choir alongside nearly 400 other students from across South Australia. It was an incredible evening and we are very proud of all our choristers.



Northern Festival of Music Guest Artists

Congratulations to our Taiko Drummers - Devya, Diyan, Haksh, Abel, Henry, Vaidik, and Vansh - and to Matthew, who have been selected to perform as Guest Artists at the Northern Festival of Music on Tuesday, October 29th. Matthew will be playing the piano, while the Taiko Drummers will perform their Taiko pieces and have also been collaborating with the Northern Festival conductor to learn a new song, which they will perform with the choir that evening. We wish all these students the very best.

Maths Olympiad

Over the past three terms, nearly 100 students have taken part in the Maths Olympiad program. They train every two weeks, working together to explore a range of strategies for tackling challenging math problems. This week, students participated in their final Maths Olympiad competition. Congratulations to them for their persistence and determination throughout the year.

Junior Primary Strings Program

This term, our Year 1 students had their very first Junior Primary (JP) strings concert. JP Strings is a special program we started at The Pines School this year. After receiving a generous grant from Variety, the Children's Charity, we purchased 70 small violins and cellos for our Preschool, Reception and Year 1 students. Once a week, each class has a lesson, then as a class practise together 3 times a week. The students learn about their instruments and how to play them by singing rhymes and songs, and playing games that develop knowledge about beat, rhythm and music making. This program was started based on research about the benefits learning music has on brain development, especially for children under 7 years of age. It was wonderful to watch our Year 1 students confidently performing in front of their families and some special guests. Congratulations and keep up the great work.

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**Dates to
Remember**

2024

TERM 3

Week 10

27 September

**End of Term
School finishes
2:00pm**

TERM 4

Week 1

15 - 18 October
**IELC & Primary
Swimming**



Week 2

25 October

**AFL Girls
SAPSASA**

Week 3

1 November

SPORT DAY

Principal
Mrs Cherie Collings

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Behind the News

Did you know that our school news team, who brings you all the episodes of The Pines News Network (PNN) was originally inspired by Behind The News (BTN) is a news program especially made for school students and is produced by the ABC. Many of our classes watch BTN, and we have been keen to have them visit our school. Well, this week, they finally came! On Wednesday, Week 10, our Year 6 students, including members of our PNN news team had the chance to hear all about how BTN is produced. They also had the opportunity to meet one of the BTN reporters and ask questions. We are all looking forward to getting some tips on how to make PNN even better!

Adam Page

This week we welcomed back Adam Page, a talented musician and composer, to work with some of our students. Adam has previously helped us develop our fantastic school song, and now he will be teaching us how to combine technology and music. He collaborated with teachers and students to explore 'looping' technology, which allows students to layer different sounds and create music, sound effects, and more! We look forward to learning new ways to make music together with Adam, and we thank Musica Viva for supporting his work at our school.

School Production

Students from Years 4, 5, and 6 have been diligently rehearsing their lines, learning new songs, and perfecting their dance moves in preparation for our upcoming school production of *Rumpelstiltskin*. The performance will take place on Friday, November 22nd, at the Shedley Theatre in Elizabeth. Tickets are available for purchase at the front office, payable by cash or card. No tickets will be available at the Shedley Theatre.

Family tickets - 2 adults + 2 children = \$15

Individual Tickets = \$5

Assembly

There will be three assemblies this Friday, September 27th. All families are welcome to join us. Please see the times and room numbers listed below:

Assembly #	Time	Room Number
One	9:10 am - 9:40 am	1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 15, 33, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47
Two	9:50 am - 10:20 am	10, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 32, 50
Three	11:00 am - 11:30 am	8, 9, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

Hats

Please make sure your child has a wide-brimmed hat or a bucket hat to wear each day so they can enjoy outdoor play during lunch and recess, as well as participate in PE activities. As the weather warms up and the sun becomes stronger, staying sun smart is important. Hats are available for purchase at the front office starting at \$5.50.

We thank all our staff for their hard work this term. We wish all our students and their families a safe and happy school holiday break and we look forward to seeing everyone back to begin Term 4 on Monday, October 14th.



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District Athletics

On Friday, Week 3 of Term three, The Pines School took 40 students to the Bridgestone Athletics Centre to compete in the Para Districts School Athletics Day. Students entered all events including, 100m, 200m 800 and 100m relay. We had students in the shot put, high and long jump and discus. We were lucky to have beautiful weather to make for an enjoyable day.

The Pines School had winners in many events, including Teanah and Brianna in the 100m and 200m, we won two of the relay's where four students all run 100m to make up a 400m race. We had many second and third place getters and ended up finishing fourth out of five teams in the top division on the day. The students represented the school to the best of their abilities and behaviour and respect was very evident across all events.



Students had fun competing against the best in the district and we had 5 students who were selected to represent PARA Districts, they are Jordan, Teanah, Brianna, Axyl and Kade.

Go The Pines!

Mr. Liam



The Pines School - Term 4 Calendar 2024

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	14 October	15 October	16 October	17 October	18 October
		← IELP and Primary Swimming →			
			Drama Production after School 3–5pm		
2	21 October	22 October Water SA—Science	23 October Music— Strings Workshop	24 October	25 October Water SA—Science
			Drama Production after School 3–5pm		AFL Girls SAPSASA
3	28 October	29 October Market Day	30 October	31 October	1 November
			Drama Production after School 3–5pm		
4	4 November Pupil Free Day	5 November	6 November Boys Cricket SAPSASA	7 November	8 November Instrumental Music Concert
			Drama Production after School 3–5pm		
5	11 November	12 November	13 November	14 November	15 November
			Drama Production after School 3–5pm		
6	18 November	19 November	20 November	21 November	22 November School Production
			Drama Production after School 3–5pm	Nunga Graduation 4:30–6:30pm	
7	25 November	26 November SWANN—All day Visit to Parafield Gardens High School	27 November	28 November	29 November Science Bubble Show Yrs 3–6 Year 6—Transition to Thomas Moore College
8	2 December	3 December Junior Primary Concert Years R–2 5:30pm–7:00pm	4 December Primary Concert Years 3–6 5:30pm–7:00pm	5 December Year 6 Full Day - Transition visit Parafield Gardens and Paralowie High Schools (Students transitioning to PGHS & Paralowie	6 December Year 6 Full Day - Transition visit Parafield Gardens and Paralowie High Schools
					
9	9 December	10 December Year 6 Beachhouse	11 December	12 December Year 6 — Graduation	13 December Whole School Assembly 10:20am End of Term School Finishes 2:00pm
					

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