The Pines School Newsletter



Week 7 Term 3 6th September 2024

Respect, Belonging and Engagement in Learning

Leadership News

Dear Families

We are now in the season of spring and with the warmer weather approaching, and the increase in UV rays and the fact that we are a 'Sun Smart' school, it is important to remember that all children need to wear their hats from now on, every day. It has been a very busy term so far and below are some of the happenings and highlights:

- School Assemblies in Week 5
- Acknowledgement and thank you to SSOs
- School Orchestra Concert in Week 6
- Hats now to be worn every day
- Pupil Free Day

School Assemblies:

As our school is so big, we have to hold three separate assemblies to accommodate all classes and parents/caregivers should they be able to attend. On Friday of Week 5, our school held three assemblies; the first one for the Receptions – Year 2 students, the second assembly for the Year 2 – Year 4 students and the last assembly was for the Year 4 – 6 students. Thank you to Alexis from Room 24 and Mackenzie from Room 14, who played the Australian National Anthem for us by trumpet so we could sing along.

Throughout the assembly, we were privileged to listen to our keyboard students, taught by Ms Karen and supported by Sonia M at the assemblies. They played very well and the audience were most impressed with their talents and hard work. We also presented awards to individual students for their efforts at school and for character strengths shown in class. All students who attended the assemblies were beautifully behaved and in particular, our brand new Reception class with Miss V, were exceptional with their listening skills and patience to sit quietly through the whole assembly.

Acknowledgement and Thank you to our Student Support Officers (SSOs)

The Pines has a dedicated and professional team of SSOs who work in support of our students and staff. Our school is certainly enriched by their input and our SSOs have many roles, such as literacy and numeracy intervention support, music tuition, speech and language support, administrative duties, including but not limited to finance, timetabling, library, front desk and enrolment tasks, individual social/emotional support, Regulation Room support, group work support, acute health care needs and first aid support. The list goes on and on! We are lucky indeed to have such a great team to work with at The Pines. Each year in Term 3, we dedicate some time to acknowledge, thank and show appreciation to our wonderful SSOs. This term on Wednesday of Week 6, we held a morning tea at recess time to show our gratitude to all SSOs at our school. Each SSO was also given a small token of our appreciation.

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2024

TERM 3
Week 8

9 September

Year 6 -Aquatics



Week 9

16 September

Junior Primary

Swimming



Week 10

27 September
Primary
Swimming

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School Orchestral Concert

On Thursday of Week 6, Sonia Magon led our various string orchestras, with violins and cellos. She and Ms M supported our students to showcase the various skills of our students from Year 1 upwards and the skills, talents and performances of all students were outstanding for the amount of time they have been learning their instruments. There were representatives from the both Musica Viva and the Variety Club, who helped to fund our music programs at the concert, as well as some very proud parents/caregivers. Thank you to all involved in making these music programs possible.

Pupil Free Day

On Friday of Week 6, we had our Pupil Free day. During this day, teachers are immersed in professional learning and this time we learned about the latest ideas and concepts in numeracy, the results of our Wellbeing and Engagement Collection, the Whole School Literacy Agreement and we began looking at the art of differentiation in the classroom.

Upcoming Events

Swimming and Aquatics

Our Year 6 students will be undertaking their Aquatics sessions in Week 8 of this term. Our Reception to Year 5 students will undertake swimming lessons during Weeks 9 and 10 of this term and Week 1 in Term 4. Thank you Mr Konnis for organising these swimming lessons as they teach our students essential skills when near or in the water.

Choir

Our school choir will be performing at the Adelaide Festival Theatre on Thursday 12th September. Thank you to Mrs Valley for preparing our students so well for this wonderful event.

Tournament of the Minds (TOM)

The Pines once again will be competing in the TOM on Sunday 8th September at Adelaide High School. Good luck to the team of 21 students who have been well prepared by Sonia M, Ms M and Mrs Valley and who will also be supporting them on the day.

Thankyou from The Pines School Music Program



We would like to extend a big thankyou to Indie's family for donating a guitar to our music program.

Instruments donated to our program are always appreciated!





WEDNESDAY THE 11TH OF SEPTEMBER

MARK LE MESSURIER

PRESENTS

Building emotional resilience in young people

The term resilience is used to describe a person's capacity to cope with change or challenge, and to constructively bounce back with optimism. It is a prized quality as it positions us to deal with the inevitable hiccups, shocks and disasters that await us in the future. Today, we understand that developing resilient qualities in our children is more than chance! It is a process that is very well understood. How are you doing?

Firstly, it requires a thoughtful commitment from parents because we are our children's primary educators.

Secondly, the growth of our children's emotional intelligence requires us to appreciate the interplay between their temperament, past life experiences, developmental factors, our modelling, and the home environment we've have created. It is through both subtle and explicit guidance, that children gradually learn to be resilience.

This workshop presents a collection of PRACTICAL resilience building ideas, I call them the 10-C's. They are can-do attitudes, confidence, connections, capacity to change, contributing to others, core value awareness, controlling what you can, communication, composed parenting and common sense. The 10-C's provide an insightful guide for parents to become the best resilience coach for their children.

Doors open from 6:30 for a 7pm start. Kings Community Centre, 93-95 Wynn Vale Drive, Wynn Vale











Keithcot Farm
Children's Centre
for Early Childhood
Development and Parenting



SRC TEAM BUILDING DAY

Earlier this term, our senior SRC members—Damien, Jaecey, Joshua, Kiara, Rayan, and Sayesha—organised a half-day incursion for our classroom SRCs. They planned six different activities for the students to take part in. The day started with a talk about the important skills needed to work well as a team. Throughout the day, they reflected on what went well and what challenges came up with each activity. The feedback was positive, and we are excited to do it again next year.









At the end of last year, The Pines was awarded a grant to upgrade our Regulation Room. Since then, we've relocated the room to a new area and made significant improvements, including fresh paint, new ceilings, lighting, furniture, and, most importantly, a wide range of new regulation tools to support our students. We've also started using the Zones of Regulation both in classrooms and in the room itself to help students identify their emotions and choose tools to manage them. This term, we've launched our first trial with a small group of students, and the feedback from teachers and students has been overwhelmingly positive. Here's a sneak peek into the space!











Join us for a day of early years discovery!











FREE EVENT

Tuesday 17 September, 10am to 2pm Salisbury Community Hub 34 Church Street, Salisbury









For more information and to book your ticket, visit: www.salisbury.sa.gov.au/wgm

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COMMUNITY BASED - NOT FOR PROFIT

WE ARE A SMALL, FAMILY FEEL AND FAMILY ORIENTATED CENTRE

NAPPIES AND HOME COOKED NUTRITIONAL MEALS PROVIDED





EXPERIENCED AND QUALIFIED LONG SERVING EDUCATORS

WE CURRENTLY HAVE VACANCIES ON MONDAYS
AND FRIDAYS

TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR 2025

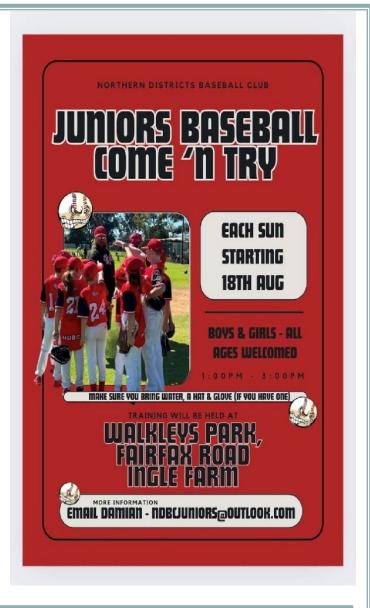
COME IN FOR A TOUR, NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED



PRESENT THIS FLYER TO REDEEM ONE FREE TRIAL HALF DAY SESSION OF CHILD CARE



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LOST PROPERTY

Lost property is starting to build up.

Could parents please check lost property daily. It would be helpful for your child's name to be on items of clothing, drink bottles and lunch boxes. If items are misplaced we can return them to your child/ren classroom.



