

# The Pines School Newsletter



Week 4, Term 4  
11th November 2022



Government  
of South Australia  
Department for Education

## *Respect, Belonging and Engagement in Learning*

Dear Families,

The Pines School students have worked very hard on writing, singing, playing instruments and recording a brand new **school song**. We have also had the opportunity to make a music video for our song, and many of our students have taken part in the filming process. The filming was a wonderful experience for our students. We were able to see just how much video footage is taken by a film crew, just for small snippets of video to make the final cut.

We have also made an **Acknowledgement of Country** video, which we can use at the beginning of school events and meetings. The students worked very hard to practise their lines and speak clearly for the video production. We even have some in Kurna language, which will be wonderful to share with our community.

Our videos are currently going through the final edit. We can't wait to share them with all of you, and the wider community.



**Hats:** It's that time of year when the weather warms up all students must wear hats when they are outdoors. Please check with your child(ren) that they have a hat at school, and if they don't, please source one for them. All students must wear a bucket hat or broad brimmed hat for maximum sun protection. We have school hats available for purchase at the front office for \$7.50. EFTPOS facilities are available for purchases over \$20 and cash is always accepted.

Please let class teachers know if your child/ren will not be attending The Pines School next year. It is very important for us to have the correct numbers to make classes for next year.

Last week our Year 6 students spent 3 days at **Arbury Park for camp**. The weather was not so friendly; however the students made the most of everything they were able to do and had a wonderful time. We are always impressed with the excellent behaviour of our students on camp and excursions.

Our Drama Production **Jack and the Beanstalk with a twist** is coming along very well, and we would love to see families come along and support this wonderful stage show.



The show will be at the Shedley Theatre on the 25<sup>th</sup> November. There will be two shows, 4pm and 7pm. **Please check your Class Dojo for the link to buy tickets.** Our cast and crew have worked very hard, and cannot wait to show off their efforts.

Tickets are only \$6 each, or a family ticket of 4 seats for \$12. It will be a very funny and entertaining show! There is also instrumental music before the show and easy parking. We hope to see you there!



## *Dates to Remember*

### **Term 4**

#### **Week 6**

**25th November**



*'Jack and the  
Beanstalk with a  
twist'*

*School Production*

#### **Week 8**

**6th December**

**Preschool Concert**

2:00pm—3:00pm

**Junior Primary Concert**

Years R—2

5:30pm—7:00pm

**7th December**

**Primary Concert**

Years 3—6

5:30pm—7:00pm

**9th December**

**Preschool Concert**

2:00pm—3:00pm

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# Student News Team

**Get your tickets now!**

## **Jack and The Beanstalk – With a Twist**



*Our students have been working hard on developing an amazing drama production for our school community to see. With the performance only a few weeks away, now is the time to **get your tickets** to see the show!*

*We asked **Tamseel from Room 29**, one of our school reporters who is also in the production, to share a little bit about her experience of being part of **Jack and The Beanstalk – With a Twist** this year:*

### **What is the production?**

The production is a group of amazing teachers and students who have come together this year to create a wonderful play with hilarious and unexpected twists and turns. We have all worked together so we can amuse and excite the wonderful students and family of the Pines School who come to see our amazing production.

### **What have students had to do to prepare for the production?**

The students and teachers have come together on Wednesdays at lunch time and after school rehearsals to make this play which is full of drama, comedy and music. The teachers have tried their absolute best to help support and encourage the students improve their acting skills, it has been wonderful to watch the production students tried their best and faced their fears throughout the journey.

### **Why would you recommend families come and see the production?**

Coming to this play would mean that the efforts of the students and teachers would be recognised and appreciated. It would also be a wonderful opportunity to come see the students having fun and you're sure to be entertained watching Jack and the Beanstalk with a Twist!

### **What have you learned the most from being part of the production?**

Being in the production has been one of the most fun and exciting experiences of my life. I love it when we all come together and practice hard during our sessions. I can see that when people come together, they can make amazing and creative ideas work!

## **Book your ticket:**

### **When:**

Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### **First performance:**

4pm – 5.30pm (with a pre-concert music performance starting at 3.30pm)

### **Second performance:**

7pm – 8.30pm (with a pre-concert music performance starting at 6.30pm)

### **Cost:**

\$6 for one ticket

\$12 for a family ticket (2 Adults and 2 Children)

**Get your tickets by going to this website:** <https://shedley.sales.ticketsearch.com/sales/salesevent/78244>

# End of Year Concerts

The Canteen will be open on both concert nights from

4:45pm to approximately 7:15pm

Hot dogs are available for \$3.80



You can also purchase crisps, snacks, drinks and ice-creams on the night.

**CASH ONLY**

**NO EXCEPTION**

**(NO QKR AVAILABLE FOR THE CONCERTS)**



**The Pines  
Preschool**

**Preschool enrolment  
2023 mid year intake**

Term 3, 2023

If your child is born between **1st May 2019 and 31st October 2019...**

They are able to start preschool in **Term 3, 2023**

Please come to the preschool for a Registration of Interest form or email us at  
**[cpc.info87@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:cpc.info87@schools.sa.edu.au)**

Dear families at The Pines School,

Firstly thank you so much to everyone who has given so generously so far to our food donations. It is much appreciated.

From week 5 this term we would like to invite families with children in Years 3 or 4, which are able, to donate non-perishable items for our School Community Food Cupboard. This cupboard will give us the opportunity to support families, with some emergency food, to help them out when they are struggling.

We need non-perishable items like: cans of soup, baked beans, cans of vegetables and fruit etc, pasta or rice, cereal, noodles, and pasta sauce, biscuits, sweet and savoury.

At school there are going to be some boxes labelled **Food Donations** for you to place your items in. One box will be in the front office; the other box will be just through the doors on the school side of the front office, there will also be a box in the middle of the 40s building and one in the corridor of Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4 and one in each of the houses for Year 2s. In addition there will be boxes for your donations in the GLA building.

We will invite families with Years 5 or 6 to donate in weeks 7 and 8.

**However please feel free to donate at any time and know it will be much appreciated.**

Times are hard and we want you to know that we are there for each other at The Pines School. We understand it is sometimes easier to give than to receive, but we want to encourage you, if you are struggling, to talk to someone at school so that we can support you discretely.

Yours faithfully

The Team at The Pines School.



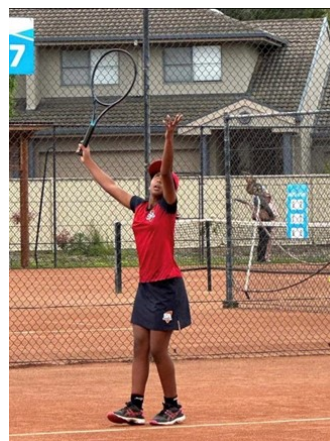
Don't be shy about asking for help. It doesn't mean you're weak, it only means you're wise.

ilikequotes.com

## OUTSTANDING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Deepika is a year 5 student at our school who has been playing tennis since she was five and a half years old. Recently, Deepika represented South Australia at the Bruce Cup in Canberra. The competition involved playing three matches a day for seven days, including singles, doubles and mixed doubles. All states of Australia were represented at the competition and Deepika won a few of her matches. Deepika was also asked to try out for the Nationals competition, which is held later in the year. As part of the travel, Deepika and all the students who represented their states were treated to a day at the National Science and Technology Centre.

Deepika travelled to Canberra with her parents and younger brother, Tarun who supported her and cheered her on from the sidelines.



# Student News Team

## School Song and Acknowledgement of Country Filming

*This year, our school has been developing a new school song, and making a film about some of the wonderful programs we have here at The Pines School. Our film also includes an acknowledgement of Country at the beginning.*

**Mausam from Room 34**, one of our school reporters, was part of the team who learned the school song, sang a solo for the recording and then participated in the filming for our school film. Mausam shares her thoughts about this experience:



Hello, I am Mausam and I sang the school song and was part of the school film. I had a solo part. It wasn't easy but it was worth it! I had to try over and over again to get it right. Some other kids also had a solo and some sang in pairs and it took a long time to record the song. We had Adam Page to record the song and Ella, Sasha and Alison shoot the video. They had lots of different things to do to shoot the video!

When they were making the video, they had Reception to Year 6 students participate. We had students doing sports, learning, playing different musical instruments and singing the song for the school film.

So far the rough draft of the film is amazing. The angles they filmed for the Acknowledgment of Country are so good. I can't wait for the film to be finished and for everybody to see it. It has been an amazing experience!



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## Year 6 Camp

### Arbury Park Outdoor School

*Last week, most of our Year 6 students went to Arbury Park for this year's camp. The students and teachers had a wonderful time being in the outdoors and even eating some pretty great food! Our students represented our school well, showing a great attitude while at camp, even though the weather was cold and wet!*

*Students at camp had the opportunity to spend time outdoors being active, develop new skills, and work together. They also had a LOT of fun.*

*While both staff and students came back exhausted, there were still smiles on faces, with lots of great new memories formed with the 2022 year 6 students.*



**Reporters Adaline, Chelsea and Nathan from Room 27, share some of their Year 6 camp experiences:**

Hi, my name is Nathan, and these are my adventures at the school camp! Camp was an amazing experience and I had so many different experiences there. I think camp was a very interesting excursion and it really put me out of my comfort zone because it was something I never really experienced before.

It was interesting learning about nature and surviving out in the forest. One of the highlights for me was making a campfire. We learnt what was needed to make a campfire and how to light it and what kind of sticks were best. We set out to find sticks in the forest. We needed small ones, big ones, medium ones and pencil sized ones. Once we had all our sticks, we started to get our fire ready. We put the small sticks at the bottom with newspaper, then added the pencil ones and then the medium and finally the big ones on the top. We lit the sticks at the bottom so the flame could rise to the top. The fire needed

oxygen so we used container lids to blow oxygen on the fire to make it spread to the logs. After that we had to blow it just a little bit to help the logs to start burning. We cooked damper over the campfire. I didn't like the damper much, but it was all right. I really liked this activity but the smoke was really bad!

I loved this one activity we did called 'Web of Life'. It was a game where we were all animals such as kangaroos, dingos and eagles and we all started with eight lives. There were also humans and natural disasters that tried to take one of our lives.



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The animals needed to have eight water cards and eight food cards. If you didn't get eight of each you got fined, and if you didn't have at least one of each card you were out of the game. I thought this was really fun because it connected to the real life, and it was a survival game.

The food at camp was really good and we had a variety of different food to eat. We had six meals a day which seems a lot of food but we all burnt it off because we were constantly doing activities. The weather was really bad. It was freezing and it felt like zero degrees (I didn't enjoy the weather) but we made a campfire and that felt like a blessing because it was soooooo warm!

We slept in dorms with about sixteen beds in each, but I had the worst sleep ever because everyone stayed up all night talking.

We had a movie night and a trivia night which was also really fun. We did a big hike up in the hills and went back down again. What was really special about camp was being outdoors and in nature. It was something I never experienced before and just seeing how much you can do with nature is amazing. I think camp was something I needed because I don't spend my time outdoors much and this was really cool. Overall, I thought this was a memorable moment being a year six student because it's not every day we do special things like this. Thanks to all the teachers and staff who organised this camp too!

## Chelsea and Adaline:

*Chelsea and Adaline share some of their camp memories. They could not remember everything because they were still very tired after camp!*



At 9am on **Monday**, we hopped on the bus and went to camp. It took about an hour to get there. When we got there, we checked out our cabins, unpacked and picked which bunk we would sleep in.

After that, we did a practice fire alarm and our school was so fast we made a new time record!

We had some delicious muffins for morning tea and then did a scavenger hunt. For the scavenger hunt, we had to find letters that were hidden around the camp and put them together to make a secret word. We didn't finish the scavenger hunt because it was bucketing down with rain and the clues got wet and fell apart!

After dinner, we had a trivia night, with questions about animals, geography and arts. We had a night walk before going to bed.

On **Tuesday** we woke up at 6.45am. In the morning we did some fishing. We caught some fish and some strange looking insects. We put them in a bucket then looked at the animals under a microscope to examine them closely. Afterward, we put them all back in the river.

After lunch we did some orienteering. We had a map to follow to help us find some little green pipes that were hidden around the camp. The pipes had symbols on them that made a code if you found all of them. We didn't work out the code.

That night after dinner we watched The Lion King movie before bed.

First thing in the morning on **Wednesday**, we all packed our bags, then went to breakfast, followed by learning how to make a fire. We cooked damper on the fire and ate it. The outside of the damper was burnt and the inside was a bit gooey, but some of us still thought it was yummy!




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After morning tea we did shelter building. We learned how to tie a double, double, hitch hiker knot to help us build our shelters. We made our shelters out of rope and things we could find in the environment such as sticks and leaves. Building the shelter was really fun and we learned a lot about building a shelter that can be used when there is a storm. The staff even tested how strong our shelters were by shaking them and sprayed water on them to see if it would be stable in a storm!



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## The Pines School - Term 4 Calendar 2022

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	14 November	15 November	16 November <i>After School Rehearsals for Jack &amp; the Beanstalk Production</i>	17 November	18 November Music Concert R—6 
6	21 November	22 November	23 November <i>After School Rehearsals for Jack &amp; the Beanstalk Production</i>	24 November	25 November School Production <i>'Jack and the Beanstalk'</i> 
7	28 November	29 November	30 November	1 December	2 December Music Concert R—6 
8	5 December      SAPSASA Cricket	6 December Preschool Concert 2pm—3pm Junior Primary Concert Years R—2 5:30pm—7:00pm 	7 December Primary Concert Years 3—6 5:30pm—7:00pm 	8 December Year 6 Full Day - Transition visit Parafield Gardens High School (Students transitioning to PGHS)	9 December Year 6 Full Day- Transition visit Parafield Gardens High School  Preschool Concert 2pm—3pm 
9	12 December Yr 6 Beachhouse 	13 December	14 December JP Disco 1:30pm In the Hall 	15 December Year 6 — Graduation 	16 December Whole School Assembly 10:20am  End of Term School Finishes 2:00pm 

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES MAY BE ADDED OR CHANGED DURING THE TERM