



# THE PINES SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 2

Term 1

8<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Dear Families

Welcome back. Students have settled into their new classes and are looking forward to a great 2018.

We will once again this year, have a number of Intervention Programs at The Pines in Literacy and Numeracy. Students are selected for intervention after examining each child's data. If your child is selected for extra support, you should receive a note explaining the type of intervention they can be involved in. Students with disabilities also receive extra support each year.

Over the first few weeks, our classes have been working on our new social skills program, Positive Education. Students will also be working on our school values—*Respect, Belonging and Fun/Engagement in Learning*. To celebrate returning to school and a good start to the school year, we will once again have the *Big Splash* on the 15th February. Swimming lessons will also be held towards the end of the term.

This year we are once again working with our students to develop powerful learners. Powerful learners have a '*Growth Mindset*': *the belief that they are capable of learning and achieving with effort*. Our work developing powerful learners also includes working with students to build resilience; building learners who keep trying even when work is hard, are not afraid to make mistakes, are resourceful and responsible. We look forward to working in partnership with families to maximize student wellbeing and achievement.

All classes were open for acquaintance evening this week to meet teachers. It was good to see many families attend. At the end of this term, we will hold parent/caregiver/teacher interviews.

Our school Annual General Meeting where we table our 2017 Annual Report and elect our new Governing Council, will be held on Wednesday 28th February in the staffroom. All are invited to attend.

Cherie Collings  
Principal

## SCHOOL CARD

School fee invoices (Material & Services Charges) have been given to your child to bring home. Please check your child's school bag. The 2018 school fee is \$250 per child. Each invoice has an application for School Card form attached. If you believe you are eligible for School Card please complete the form and return to the Front Office. Please ensure you complete all areas of the form to avoid delays in processing. School Card applications are also available to complete online:

[www.sa.gov.au](http://www.sa.gov.au)

Financial Support  
School Card Scheme  
Applications

*On Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February between 8:30am - 9:30am and 2:30pm - 3:30pm staff will be available in the Resource Centre to assist families with completing the School Card forms.*

Cherie Collings  
Principal  
Sam Konnis  
Assistant Principal

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## Dates to Remember

**Week 3**  
**15 February**  
**Big Splash**

**Week 4**  
**28 February**  
**Annual General Meeting**

**Week 7**  
**Adelaide Cup Holiday**

**Week 8**  
**Harmony Day**

**Week 9**  
**Good Friday**

**Week 10**  
**Easter Monday**  
**Swimming R-2**

**Week 11**  
**End of Term**

## REMINDER

Please advise the school as soon as possible of any change of:  
Address  
Telephone Numbers  
Emergency Contacts  
etc.

It is vital that our records are kept up to date.

Thank you.

# COUNSELLOR'S CORNER

## Positive Education at The Pines



This year The Pines School has started implementing 'Positive Education' into classrooms and across the school.

Positive Education uses the **PERMA** model to support children's well-being.

- P – Positive Emotions: Feeling positive emotions such as joy, gratitude, interest, hope.*
- E – Engagement: Being fully absorbed in activities that use your skills yet challenge you.*
- R – Relationships: Having positive relationships.*
- M – Meaning: Belonging to and serving something you believe is bigger than yourself.*
- A – Accomplishment: Pursuing success, winning achievement and mastery.*

### So What Is Positive Education?

Positive education is the combination of traditional education with the study of happiness and well-being, using Seligman's **PERMA** model and **Values in Action (VIA)** classification. Positive Education incorporates 'positive psychology' into education to decrease depression in younger people and enhance well-being and happiness.

Positive education emphasises the importance of training the heart as well as the mind in education. Positive education programs usually define positive character as '*core character strengths*' that are represented in the VIA's six categories of virtue. The goal of positive education is to help reveal and develop the child's ability to effectively engage their combination of character strengths.

Adapted from: <https://positivepsychologyprogram.com/what-is-positive-education/>

We are excited to share our Positive Education journey along the way.

Jacqui Simpson  
Student Well-Being Leader

# Term 1 Calendar 2018

| Wk | Monday                                  | Tuesday                                 | Wednesday  | Thursday                         | Friday  |
|----|---|---|--|----------------------------------|---|
| 1  | 29 January                              | 30 January                              | 31 January   | 1 February                       | 2 February  |
| 2  | 5 February                              | 6 February<br><i>Acquaintance Night</i> | 7 February   | 8 February                       | 9 February  |
| 3  | 12 February                             | 13 February                             | 14 February  | 15 February<br><b>Big Splash</b> | 16 February   |
| 4  | 19 February                             | 20 February                             | 21 February<br><i>Governing Council Meeting</i>                | 22 February                      | 23 February   |
| 5  | 26 February                             | 27 February                             | 28 February<br><i>Governing Council Annual General Meeting</i> | 1 March                          | 2 March<br><i>Whole School Assembly 11:50</i>   |
| 6  | 5 March                                 | 6 March                                 | 7 March  | 8 March                          | 9 March   |
| 7  | 12 March<br><i>Adelaide Cup Holiday</i> | 13 March                                | 14 March   | 15 March                         | 16 March<br><i>National Action Against Violence &amp; Bullying Day</i>                |
| 8  | 19 March                                | 20 March                                | 21 March<br><b>Harmony Day</b>                                 | 22 March                         | 23 March  |
| 9  | 26 March                                | 27 March                                | 28 March<br><i>Parent Teacher Interview Week</i>               | 29 March                         | 30 March<br><b>Good Friday</b>  |
| 10 | 2 April<br><b>Easter Monday</b>         | 3 April                                 | 4 April<br><i>Swimming R-5<br/>IELC R-7</i>                    | 5 April                          | 6 April   |
| 11 | 9 April                                 | 10 April                                | 11 April   | 12 April                         | 13 April<br><i>Whole School Assembly 11:50<br/>End of Term School Finishes 2:00pm</i> |

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES MAY BE ADDED OR CHANGED DURING THE TERM



# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Para Hills West Soccer Club



Season 2018

Junior Registration Day

Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup> and February 24<sup>th</sup>

9am - 12pm

Manor Farm Oval  
Northbri Avenue, Salisbury East

Require players for

Under 6s through to Under 17s

Development Squad



For any more information message our Facebook page or email at [parahillswestsc@hotmail.com](mailto:parahillswestsc@hotmail.com)

WESTERN DISTRICTS JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB

## VIKINGS



### Come & Try Rugby!!

**WHERE:**  
Port Adelaide Rugby Club,  
Baynes Place, Port Adelaide

**WHEN:**  
Starts March 1  
Thursday Nights  
07/8 5:30 - 6:30pm  
09/10/12/14 6 - 7pm

**WHO:**  
Ages 5 - 14 years

**CONTACT:**  
Stuart Tod 0419 996 869  
Stacey Meanig 0414 361 725

Stay active & have fun !!!!

Vikings Junior Rugby

[juniorkvikings@bigpond.com](mailto:juniorkvikings@bigpond.com)

**Small Heroes. BIG Dreams.**

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|---------------------------------|--|
| Centre:                         | Location:  |
| Gawler and District             | Hallam Drive, Gawler   |
| Registration:                   | Contact:   |
| Closes 25 March 2018            | Jo Connolly 0438 801 557   |
| Cost:                           |  |
| \$60 (10 weeks starts 21/04/18) | Register now: <a href="http://netsetgp.asn.au">netsetgp.asn.au</a> |

### Free parenting seminar

## Raising brilliantly behaved children

Are you the parent of a 5 - 12 year old?  
Want fewer behaviour dramas at home?

Hear psychologist, parenting author and commentator Jodie Benveniste talk about:

- dealing with challenging behaviour in ways that bring out your child's strengths and true character
- alternatives to discipline and punishment
- encouraging cooperation rather than conflict.

**Wednesday 21 March**  
When: 7.00 - 9.00pm  
Where: Adelaide Convention Centre North Terrace, Adelaide  
Riverbank Room 7 & 8 (easy access via West entrance)

Register to attend in person or view the live webcast at:  
Online: <http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au>  
Phone: 8332 1660  
Email: [health.parentingsa@gov.au](mailto:health.parentingsa@gov.au)

Presented by Parenting SA. For more information about raising children visit [www.parentingsa.gov.au](http://www.parentingsa.gov.au) or [www.cyh.com](http://www.cyh.com)

For the benefit of all participants we request no babies and young children.

Helping parents be their best

## Skoolbag

Complete communication solution

### How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

**For iPhone and iPad users:**

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "Install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

**For Windows 81 Phone and Windows 81 or 10 device users:**

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 81 Windows Phone or Windows 81/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 81 version Windows Phones, or Windows 81 and 10 devices.

**For Android users:**  
You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
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Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

Find out more at [www.skoolbag.com.au](http://www.skoolbag.com.au)

Please download 'Skoolbag' to stay in touch with events and happenings here at The Pines School. We upload newsletters, forms, upcoming event information and send alerts and reminders for families.



## 2018 WINTER SEASON

Commencing 21 April 18  
Junior & Senior Competitions  
Central Location

Register Today!

For more details:  
Website - <http://gdna.sa.netball.com.au>  
E-mail - [secretary@gawlernetball.com.au](mailto:secretary@gawlernetball.com.au)  
Phone - 0438 801 557