The Pines School Newsletter



Week 6, Term 2 10th June 2022

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Respect, Belonging and Engagement in Learning

Leadership News

Pupil free day reminder

This Friday, **10**th **June** is a Pupil Free day. There is no school this Friday for students. School staff will be attending training on this day.

Public holiday reminder

Monday 13th June is a public holiday. The school will be closed on the public holiday.

Dear Families

I hope everyone is managing to stay dry with all the wet weather we have been having. Fortunately, it hasn't rained too often during school play times, so students have still been able to go outside to get some fresh air. Please ensure that your child is sent to school with suitable clothes for the cold wet weather.

Last week, we were very fortunate to have an energetic and entertaining performance from Sean Choolburra as part of Reconciliation Week. He presented a very engaging performance for our students, helping them learn about Aboriginal culture and traditions through stories, music, and dance. To minimise the number of students together indoors, only some classes watched the performance in the hall. The remaining classes watched a live video of the performance from their classrooms. We do this to help us to be COVID safe by not having too many students indoors together. We thank Michelle Boerkamp and Miss Philips for organising this amazing opportunity for all our students.

Music at The Pines School

Our ever-growing instrumental music program has welcomed some Year 3 students this year to learn a musical instrument. As a result, we now have over 100 students learning to play an instrument. Learning a musical instrument includes making music with other students, and we welcome one of our string teachers, Thea on Friday afternoons who takes our string orchestra. With 27 students now playing a string instrument including violin, viola, cello and double bass, they are making some amazing music together. If you are picking up your student on a Friday afternoon, walk past Room 32 before the bell goes to hear some of the music they are making together.



Thea with our string orchestra who rehearse on Friday afternoons in Room 32

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Dates to Remember

2022

Term 2

Week 7

Monday, 13 June

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Thursday, 16 June

Adelaide Youth Orchestra

> Dream it Years 5/6

Week 9

30 June & 1 July

School Photo Days



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dl.1777.info@schools.sa.edu .au Web: www.thepines.sa.edu.au Leadership News continued ...

Episode 2 of **The Pines News Network** is coming soon. Our student reporters have interviewed Mr T and some of our students who are learning to play our new Japanese Taiko drums. Keep an eye out on Class Dojo for the latest, exciting episode. If you missed Episode 1, where students interviewed Ashley Woodland who plays football for the AFLW, check back on Class Dojo.



The Pines School is developing a school song!

Students in Year 3-6 are invited to apply to be part of the school song writing team. If your child is interested in helping to write the words for our school song, they need to write a paragraph about why they want to be involved and hand this up to the front office or to Sonia M Tuesday next week. Students can also send their paragraph to Sonia M as a Dojo message.







2023 Preschool enrolments

If your child turns 4 before 1st May 2023, they are eligible for Preschool next year! Come to The Preschool to fill out a Registration of Interest form or email The Preschool at cpc.info87@schools.sa.edu.au for one to be emailed to you.

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2023 Đăng ký vào Trường Mẫu giáo Nếu con của quí vị lên 4 tuổi trước ngày 1 tháng Năm năm 2023, các em sẽ được nhận vào học ở trường Mẫu giáo năm tới. Xin đến trường để lấy form (mẫu đăng ký), hoặc có thể gởi email qua địa chỉ này cpc.info87@schools.sa.edu.au để trường sẽ gởi form qua email cho quý vị



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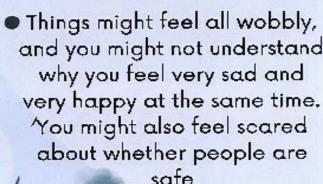


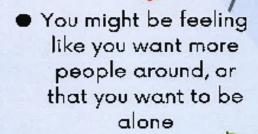
GRIEF?

Grief is a strong feeling that happens to us when we lose someone important – like a family member, friend or pet.



 You might find it hard to make decisions, concentrate or things might be confusing.
 School might feel harder and you could have bad thoughts about yourself or others





Your sadness could start
to make you feel sick like stomach aches,
headaches, no energy or
feeling tired. Normal tasks
like eating and sleeping
might be hard for you too,
and that's ok

 It is normal to ask questions and be curious about death and why things happen

 You might have trouble controlling your emotions and actions

ADAPTED FROM KIDSHELPLINE 2022 Speak with a trusted friend or adult, or call 1800 55 1800 (24 hours a day) if you ever feel like this





"Say Cheese"



MSP Photography are on their way!!!

School Photo Day is:

Thursday 30TH JUNE & Friday 1ST JULY

Have your child's school memories captured forever.

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP payment envelopes & remember these helpful points:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Use the Shootkey on your envelope to order online!
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request.
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given cash, cheques and money orders only. Credit card payments can only be made online.

Please feel free to visit our web site www.msp.com.au

For photo enquiries Phone: (08) 8132 1148 or Email: enquiries.adl@msp.com.au

Sports News

Many of our students have participated in sports events since our last Newsletter. Being involved in sports is a great opportunity for students to develop many skills including persistence, patience, coordination, teamwork, and leadership skills. Playing sport and regular physical activity is also an important part of staying strong and healthy.

Sports reporter Lily from Room 28 shares how the girls went at the SAPSASA Football carnival:



During week 4, five students from The Pines School participated in a three-day northern primary school state football carnival. We won every game except for one.

A personal challenge for me was playing a position in football that I never thought I could play before. The position was full forward.

I thought I couldn't play full forward because I never play in that position, and you have a lot of pressure on you to kick goals. It was hard to play in that position but in the end I still managed to kick a goal.



Aaliyah, Sara, Kalia, Lily and Ruby at the SAPSASA football carnival

I really enjoyed the football carnival because I got to hang out with my friends and play football against bigger and better players, and we still won in the end.

Mr Liam, our PE teacher, shares how the boys went at the SAPSASA football carnival:

During week 4, The Pines School had three boys picked to play in the boys SAPSASA football team for the Para district. Nick from Room 27, Kai from Room 37 and Dempsey from Room 26. The boys played well but were unable to secure a win. Nick was made team captain and excelled across the three day event from half back. Dempsey filled roles across the field with ease and flair and Kai played forward and kicked a goal in the last game.

Caitlin from Room 26 attended a SAPSASA event in softball. Here is what she has to say about how she went:



Last term I played softball for the SAPSASA Gawler district competition. We played at West Beach and it was a three-day event. There were lots of schools and parents to cheer and support us. We had lots of training seasons and games as part of the competition. When it was the end of the carnival all the teams got together to hear who the winners were. My team came in second place, and we got a silver medal each.

It was a great three days to see kids come and try softball for the first time and play a new sport. It was very tiring for my whole team, and I enjoyed it very much.

The biggest challenge for me was waking up early in the morning each day and being cheerful. Overall, it was very fun to play for a different team and with kids from different schools.

Has your child got some sports news they would like to share in our newsletter? Please send a Dojo message to Sonia M for more information about how to include your sports news in the newsletter.

Reconciliation Week

During Week 5, our school community learned about this very important part of Australian history. Students across the school learned about Reconciliation Week and did activities to remember our past and celebrate Aboriginal culture.

Due to the weather, or Reconciliation march was cancelled. We were however fortunate to have a special visitor come to our school and do an amazing performance to help students learn about Aboriginal traditions. All classes attended the performance either in the hall or online.

Our reporters Aaliyah from Room 28 and Caitlin from Room 26 took photos of the performance and interviewed the performer, Sean Choolburra. Our reporters also share their thoughts about the performance and share some photos of the activities that happened around our school.

We say a special thankyou to Miss Phillips and Miss Michelle for organising the performance and sharing information to help us learn about Reconciliation Week.

Interview with Sean

Aaliyah:

How do you show your Aboriginal culture and pride to help other people understand and how important it is?

Sean:

It feels very important to share the dances, stories, and messages about Aboriginal culture. I try to make the performances exciting and funny to help kids want to really listen to it, and then I mix in the messages about Aboriginal culture and stories because it's also important to have fun and make a connection with kids.

Caitlin:

How did you learn your dances and music?

Miss Michelle, Caitlin, Aaliyah, Sean and Miss Phillips

Sean:

I went to a dance school in Sydney in 1990. Lots of Torres Strait Islander people went there to learn dances too. I studied lots of different types of dances, including dances from all over the world such ballet. I always loved dancing and learned break dancing from watching TV when I was younger. I was also really inspired by the dancing in the 1970 Storm Boy movie.

Performance by Sean Choolburra

Victoria from Room 28 shares her experience of the performance:

Today I went to an amazing performance for Reconciliation Week and it was fantastic. There were lots of traditional Aboriginal instruments such as clapping sticks, digeridoos, and boomerangs. There were also hunting tools like spears and shields which were used for some of the dances. Sean, who performed for us today was wearing traditional clothing and painting on his body. During the performance some kids had a chance to get up with Sean and play some of the instruments and do some dancing. I really enjoyed when some students got to join in a dance, and they had to pretend to hunt an animal. I also really liked when Sean called three students up to have a dance battle at the end.

Part of Reconciliation week is about learning about the Aboriginal culture and understanding it and this performance gave the children at our school the opportunity to learn about Aboriginal traditions and culture.

Aaliyah:

The best thing about the performance from Sean Choolburra was the dance battle because it was really funny and it was a really good dance battle.

Aaliyah also shares why Aboriginal culture is so important to her:

Aboriginal culture is important to me because it shows who I really am and how inspiring my culture is. I get a lot of inspiration from Aboriginal stories. My nana and papa sometimes tell me some stories that they know because it shows me about my people and my history.

Caitlin:

As the kids started coming into the hall, Sean Choolburra played some traditional Aboriginal songs with Traditional instruments combined with modern sounds. It sounded lovely and soothing. Then Miss Michelle said the welcome to country in Kaurna. Sean dressed up using traditional body paint called Awelye. It was very inspiring to learn more about Aboriginal culture and heritage at the performance. One of the highlights was when Sean made a flame by twirling a stick in between his hand until it made smoke, then he blew on it to make a flame. He made the flame bigger by using some dried grass.

Performance Pictures











Reconciliation Week in our classrooms







































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