Even with the short weeks we have been having here at school, a whole lot of learning has been crammed into the last fortnight!

**School Vision Statement**
A note came home last week asking for feedback about the school vision statement. I am hoping to get lots of feedback about this! This is a great avenue for parents to have your say in the future direction of the school. I look forward to getting your thoughts before the end of the term.

**SAPSASA News**
Congratulations to the five swimmers from Pinnaroo who competed for the Murray and Mallee last Friday in Adelaide. This was the most successful group of students to compete from Pinnaroo in my time as Principal. Tristan (pictured) won gold in the 11YO boys 50m Breaststroke, silver in the 50m Freestyle and came 5th in 50m Butterfly, an awesome achievement!!

Other great individual efforts on the day were Georgie, 4th 10YO girls 50m Freestyle and 8th in the 50m Backstroke. Elsie, 7th 11YO Girls 50m Freestyle.

These three students as well as Elli and Tilly were also involved in relays that made finals. Well Done to all these students.

Tristan was asked why he thought he had achieved so well this year, his response was a perfect lesson for us all, “because I trained more”. Tristan (and his parents) commit to training 5-6 times a week. This kind of success does not come from being a ‘natural swimmer’, but from hard work, sacrifice and dedication. Well done to Tristan and his family for this!

**Badge Presentations**
Today Jill Nickolls our current Pinnaroo Citizen of the Year presented our House Captains and SRC with their badges. Congratulations to our House Captains and SRC leaders for 2016.

- President - Abbey
- Vice President - Tilly
- Secretary - Angel
- Treasurer - Estella

**Parent/ Teacher/ Student Interviews**
A note went home last week regarding parent / teacher interviews. It would be great to see as many parents and students attending these as possible. It is a great avenue to opening discussion about your child/ren’s learning. It would be great if your children attended the meetings with you. That way they can tell and show you all the great learning they are doing, allowing for excellent open learning discussions. Hope see you all there.

I hope that families enjoy the four day break ahead of us, spending time with family and friends. This is a great mini break for the students; recharging before coming back for three more weeks of exciting learning.

‘AIM HIGH’
Sunyl Vogt
~ Student of the Week ~

**Term 1 Week 6**

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<td>always having a go &amp; contributing to class discussions.</td>
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<td>Lauren Angel</td>
<td>focussing on her work and for following our Golden Rules at all times.</td>
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<td>Mackayla Perry</td>
<td>being a role model everyday &amp; presenting a high standard of work in class &amp; for homework.</td>
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<td>Jaylen Vogt</td>
<td>his detailed factual recount on JFK.</td>
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**Principal**

Sharlene Sharp—Fantastic effort and progress in her reading. Her willingness to always assist the teacher and students and her friendliness to the new students at PPS.

~ Parent Club Award ~

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<td>Max Dabinett</td>
<td>for working hard &amp; having a go especially in Maths and for being a helpful member of the Year 2/3 team.</td>
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<td>Isabel Jolly</td>
<td>for making a real effort to focus this week.</td>
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<td>Riley Kulper</td>
<td>his good organisational skills and the management of his learning.</td>
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**Governing Council**

There will be a working bee on Monday April 4th from 4.00pm onwards. All encouraged to attend. Bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows and general yard gear.

**Parent Club**

**Next General Meeting**
Friday 6 May at 9.30am (following assembly) at the School Community Library.

Parent Club Members and all PPS Parents very welcome
At today's assembly the Year 4/5 Class invited Mrs Jill Nickolls to draw the winners to their Easter raffle.

Raffle winners were

1st prize: Daniel Kulper
2nd prize: Mrs Nuske
3rd prize: Charitie & Leo

Mrs Nickolls also announced the winner of the Guess the Easter Eggs in the Jar competition.

Congratulations to Alisha Palmer with her correct guess of 121 eggs!

A big thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts for camp this term.

From the year 4/5 Class

Above: Mrs Nickolls, Zac and Isabelle drawing the raffle.
Maths
In maths the R/1 class have been learning about shapes and patterns. The years 1’s have been learning about 3D shapes, and the receptions have been learning about 2D shapes. Jacob and I made a cube and a prism out of paper. We have also been learning about patterns. We used Skittles and made a graph to show how many of each colour there were.
Written by Jasmine Thiel

R/1 Fundraiser
Next week we will be making Apricot Jam to sell. Order forms will be sent out shortly. Be sure to pick yourself up some home grown and homemade jam!

Swimming
I learnt how to use a kickboard’ Johanna Oster
“I love swimming’ Levi Simon
Thank you once again to all the parents who volunteered during these lessons.

This week we have been busy making Easter baskets and cards. We wish you all a safe and Happy Easter!
On Thursday the 10th of March, the school grounds SRC group invited parents and helpers to assist the students of Pinnaroo Primary in cleaning up the garden and around the school.

The students and parents had a great time helping the school environment by shovelling dirt, pulling out weeds and picking ripe fruit and vegetables. The school would like to say thank you to Giles Oster, Julie Cowley, Lelle Schiller and Di Nuske for helping out the students with cleaning up the school, they had a great time.

By Abbey Thiel, SRC President
School Notices

PPS Uniform
PPS long sleeve school polos are now reduced to $15 each. Some sizes are already sold out so come in and grab a Bargain!!

Speld SA—Specific Learning Difficulties Association of South Australia
Did you know that SPELD SA has a free training module around ‘Teaching a Child to Read and Write’. The module can be done step by step at your own pace, there are small quizzes as you progress through the modules.

Anyone can access the training for free, parents, carers, SSOs, teachers, student teachers, interested members of the community, teaching institutions such as TAFE and Universities etc.

A certificate can be printed off at the end of the training
SPELD: online training portal.
SPELDSA.E3LEARNING.COM.AU

SRC Groups—Volunteers needed
Due to the success of our SRC programme last year SRC groups will continue in 2016.
Groups are as follows, School Grounds, School Pride, School Community and School Activities.
Students from Reception to Year 7 are allocated into the 4 different areas where they will remain for a semester. An executive SRC member will be in each group.

We are asking for volunteers to support the various groups. SRC will run on Thursday this term from 1.40pm till 2.40pm in week 9 ie: 31st March.

If you are able to help out please contact either the teacher in charge of the group or alternatively the front office. We thank the school community for your continued support.

School Banking day is
TUESDAY

WANTED
Recycled Aluminium Cans
The SSO room is seeking clean food tins for a display they are making. Eg. Baked bean tins.

SA State School Term Dates
All school terms – break up 1 hour early on last day of term for school holidays

Term Dates for 2016
Term 1 1 February – 15 April
Term 2 2 May – 8 July
Term 3 25 July – 30 September
Term 4 17 October – 16 December

Public Holidays 2016
Adelaide Cup – Monday 14 March
Good Friday – Friday 25 March
Easter Monday 0 Monday 28 March
Anzac Day – Monday 25 April (during school holidays)
Queen’s Birthday – Monday 13 June
Labour Day – Monday 3 October (during school holidays)
Community Notices

**Kids Club**
Tuesday afternoons from 3.30pm till 5.00pm in the Lutheran hall.
Afternoon tea provided.
Gold coin donation.
There will be an adult to walk younger children over after school if required.

**Independent Living Centres Mobile Unit Visit**
Will be at the Karoonda Farm Fair Site No. 62, Yurgo St on Friday 1st April 9am till 5pm and Saturday 2nd April 9am till 4pm.

**Pinnaroo Swimming Pool**
CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE due to repairs
For further information please contact the Council

**Pinnaroo Football & Netball Club**

**Junior Football Training**
Mini Colts training began this week, coached by Brett Mudie.
Training changes to Thursdays starting next week, at 4pm. Any enquiries phone Heath Nickolls on 0407 270016

**Junior Netball Training**
There is no junior netball training tonight 24th March.
E & D Grades recommence next Thursday @ 4.30pm, coached by Donna V & Chloe S (E), Hannah Bailey (D)
F1 & F2 Grades begin next Thursday @ 4.00pm, coached by Deb Colwill (F1) and Bec Oakley (F2)
Junior Joeys begins Thursday 21st April @ 4.00pm, coached by Robyn Gum

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**FREE Parenting SA seminar**

Toddlers and touch screens: What should I do?
- the pros and cons of the digital age for children 0-5 years
- how and when to introduce phones, tablets, apps, e-games
- how to manage electronic media use

**Presented by Dr Justin Coulson**
- Nationally recognised parenting speaker
- Newspaper columnist
- TV commentator, author and researcher

**Tuesday 6 April**
When: 7.00 - 9.00pm
Where: City Rooms, Adelaide Convention Centre, North Terrace, Adelaide

Register to attend in person or view the live webcasts at: http://parenting.sa.eventbrite.com.au
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For the benefit of all participants unfortunately we are unable to admit babies and children.

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Children, teens and pornography: What every parent should know
- the alarming statistics
- are we becoming desensitised?
- the impact on boys and girls
- how parents can guide children and teens

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Major Ski Trip Fundraiser

ASIAN BANQUET & GAMES NIGHT & AUCTION
Friday 15th April - 6:00pm
@ The Pinnaroo Institute
$45 per head - Catered by Salt n Pepper Catering
Includes - Entree, Main & Dessert
Book a table of 10, with family & friends & come along
for wonderful evening of fun filled games, & bag an Auction bargain
There will be a table ‘play-off’, please bring your gold coins to participate.
Great prizes and cash to be won.
Fantastic Auction Items up for grabs -
including a signed Gary Ablett Guernsey
Fundraiser for Pinnaroo Primary School Year 6/7 Class Snow Trip

Bookings & Payment Essential prior to Wednesday 6th April-
To book your table and for any further enquiries please contact PPS -
Ph 08 85 778 176