MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAVE A
HAPPY AND SAFE NEW YEAR!

from the Principal …

This is our last newsletter for the year and I would like to thank all families for the wonderful year that we have experienced at Pembroke. Ultimately each of us work together for the betterment of the children at our school and the learning partnership that we continue to experience with you is one element that research says is fundamental to achieving high outcomes.

Reminder all newsletter items must be handed in/or emailed no later than 10.00am on a Wednesday morning to ensure it is included in the current week’s edition of the school newsletter.
News from the Principal continued…..

Along with our fabulous staff and families, I would very much like to thank our School Councillors, members of the Parents and Friends Club and everyone who has volunteered their time throughout the school. We think we have a fantastic school and your additional support is very much appreciated.

**Staffing**

By now you will have all heard about staffing for 2014. I can confirm the following:-

- Prep / 1 – Mrs. Briony Berry
- Year 1 – Mrs. Belinda Woods
- Year 2 – Mr. Josh Bell
- Year 3 / 4 – Mrs. Christine Collins
- Year 3 / 4 – Miss Bree Monks
- Year 5 / 6 – Mr. Phillip Moxon

Miss Vas and Miss Davidson will be leaving us at the end of the year – Miss Vas to work overseas in London and Miss Davidson to teach closer to home.

We will also be losing Mr. Simon Datson who has picked up a full time teaching position and also Miss Muleta who is looking for a full time Art position.

In addition to this Mangku will be leaving us to give birth to a baby girl early in February and finally, Doug Lewis will be finishing up as the
News from the Principal continued.....

School’s Chaplain – replaced by Craig Ingram who has completed his Chaplain qualifications.

Mr. Moxon will be taking P.E in 2014 and we are in the process of selecting for a new Art teacher. Mrs Walker will continue to take Music and Drama.

We have been very fortunate to have had such a dedicated team of staff. Each person takes their job extremely seriously and has a real passion for Pembroke and what we strive to achieve. To the staff that are leaving, I am sure you will join with me in thanking them for all that they have done for the children in their care. I know that you will also wish them well in whatever direction their life takes them. To our new staff, welcome. We trust that you; like those leaving with have an enjoyable and extremely fulfilling time working at Pembroke.

Reports

Student reports have been sent home today. Our teachers have put in a lot of effort to ensure that your child’s report accurately reflects their progress and areas to work on. We have enclosed an explanation of the “dots” in the envelope and also a feedback form. We are keen to obtain your thoughts in regards to the reports and would appreciate any comments.

Book collection and school start date

Books can be collected on the 27th or 28th January from 9am – 1pm. Uniform can also be purchased on these days. Students in Year 1 – 6 start school on the 29th January whilst our Prep students will commence on Friday, 31st January.

Changes to school routine in 2014

Next year Assembly will be held on Monday from 9:05 – 9:30. This has been in an effort to enable more families to attend; deliver important news about the week at the start of the week; maximize teaching time in the last hour of the day and start the week with everyone together.

We will also be having a bell at 8:45. This bell will signal the time when the Yard Duty teacher is on duty.
News from the Principal continued…..

It will also be a time when students are able to come into their own classroom and get “ready to learn”. Music will be played just before 9am and all children will come directly into their classroom, seated and ready for the start of school.

OSH

A reminder that all outstanding accounts for OSHC need to be paid before the end of 2013. Accounts have been sent out and payment can be made through Mandy or at the Office.

A REMINDER THAT SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1:30 THIS FRIDAY – THERE WILL BE AN ASSEMBLY AT 1:10

Please also take care as the crossing may not be manned due to the early finish

Regards

Carolyn Elliott.
School Principal.
Don’t forget:
1st Term you need to wear your hat!

*New* EFT PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT
Next year we are offering payments by EFT to our bank account. It can be for any excursion/incursion, fundraising, OSHC, Camps, Parent Payments; details are below.

Bank Details

**BSB:** 633 000  
**Account:** 132155318  
**Name:** Pembroke Primary School

Thanking you  
Carolyn O’Rourke  
Business Manager  
Pembroke Primary School

**CANTEEN NEWS**  
Canteen will back year.  
Thanking You for your support this year  
Le and Michelle

**School Banking 2014**  
School Banking returns next year so don’t forget to add all those 5cent coins up.
This term has led to a big change in the Parents and Friends group. We started a craft group which met every fortnight and then decided that we enjoyed it so much we met every week. We learn a new craft and then we do more of the craft getting ready for Mothers Day 2014.

We also started a walking group which Jenny leads every week on Fridays—Come hail, rain or shine! We regularly have 7–8 mums who come along.

We have the Christmas raffle which we asked for donations, although we are a small group we are a very committed group of mums who want to help the school.

If you would like to join our craft group it will be on a Monday next year at the moment. Times and days may change later on.

The Parents and Friends always welcome new members.

Next year we plan to help Mrs Walker getting items ready for next year’s school concert.

Once again we would like to thank our members of our Parents group for all that they do. A big thank you to all our hard working committee.

Thanking You

Sheryn and Michelle.

PFA convenors.
School Sports Carnival

On Thursday 12th December the whole celebrated their last PE session by having a whole school sports carnival. The grade 5 and 6 leaders were great leaders, giving clear instructions to the students. Thank you to Mr Datsun for running such a fun activity, everyone had an absolute ball!

Thanks
Mr Datsun!
School Christmas Carol Night
Hi I'm Brianna and I write the Grade 3/4D BTB news. I write the news along with Tha Tha and Becky. Each of us do 2 or 3 articles every 2 weeks. We are having our last issue for this year on the last Thursday of the year.

Next year BTB is still going to run, but It will only go to 5/6 But Becky will still be helping and writing her articles.

We're looking for new photo models for next year. They're being handed out at orientation tomorrow to 2013's 4's and 5's.
Pembroke Primary School

After School Care

Indoor and Outdoor activities

- Cordial
- Crumpets
- Cupcakes
- Painting, drawing, colouring in
- Popcorn
- Pancakes
- Pizza
- Downball
- Monopoly, Uno, Simpsons, Game of Life
- Dress ups and cubbies!
- Fresh fruit

After School Care is run by Mandy Stokes
Hours: 3:30pm - 6pm Daily
Afternoon Tea is provided
$16 per night (less with CCB)
For bookings please phone the school office on: 9725-6689 or phone Mandy on: 0437-569-448
Thank you to Mr Gary Williams and his company RA Printing for producing all our new weekly student awards.
KARRAKIDS WORKSHOPS
THE FUN IS AT KARRALYKA

Karralyka is proud to announce KarraKids – our new school holiday program offering a range of performing arts-based workshops for children aged 5 to 14 years.

Workshop Session Times

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SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM
(OONE DAY WORKSHOPS)
Clowning
THURSDAY 17 JANUARY
FRIDAY 17 JANUARY*

Improvisation
(for children with a disability)
FRIDAY 17 JANUARY*

Superheroes
(for children with a disability)
FRIDAY 17 JANUARY*

* for children with a disability (this is a free pilot program)

EASTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM
(OONE DAY WORKSHOPS)

Superheroes –
“Up, Up & Away”
TUESDAY 15 APRIL

Hip Hop
WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL

Improvisation – “In The Deep”
THURSDAY 17 APRIL

Finale performance of the week’s workshops
FRIDAY 18 APRIL
2PM REHEARSAL
AND 4PM SHOW
(GOLD COIN DONATION)

WINTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM
(OONE DAY WORKSHOPS)

CIRCUS –
“The Big Top Circus Class”
TUESDAY 1 JULY

FUNK –
“Get down and Funky”
WEDNESDAY 2 JULY

DRUMMING –
“Jungle Jammin”
THURSDAY 3 JULY

Finale performance of the week’s workshops
THURSDAY 3 JULY
4PM REHEARSAL
AND 5PM SHOW
(GOLD COIN DONATION)

SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAM
(OONE DAY WORKSHOPS)

CIRCUS –
“The Big Top Circus Class”
TUESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

BREAKDANCE
WEDNESDAY 1 OCTOBER

IMPROVISATION – “Short’n Sweet Skits”
THURSDAY 2 OCTOBER

Finale performance of the week’s workshops
FRIDAY 3 OCTOBER
2PM REHEARSAL
AND 4PM SHOW
(GOLD COIN DONATION)

BOOKINGS:
Karralyka Centre
Miners Road, Ringwood East
Phone: 9879 2933
Book online – www.karralyka.com.au
Dreamer, an adorable half child, half animal character, has a new hobby – astronomy. When his computer picks up a message from space, Dreamer sets off in his spaceship in search of intelligent life forms. He travels through a wormhole, discovers a new solar system and learns to communicate with some very engaging alien creatures.

When suddenly a strange spacecraft catches Dreamer in a fishing net, he lands on a mystery planet. Dreamer is initially mistaken for food before meeting the alien that beamed its picture to Earth. They become friends and travel back to Dreamer’s home in the Australian outback.

For all children aged 3 to 12 years and their families.

**Thursday 23 January – 10am & 12 noon**

**Tickets**
- Single tickets: $19.50
- Family (4 tickets): $62
- Coffee bar featuring delicious cakes and sweets open one hour prior to shows.

**KARRALYKA Centre**
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**HARRALYKA & MOONSHOES THEATRE COMPANY PRESENT:**

**THEATRE FOR KIDS – RUN BY KIDS**

**B@MAN – THE MUSICAL**

A hilarious parody of the famous comics by local up-and-coming stars.

The people of Gotham City live in perpetual fear from the vast number of criminals, gangs and common thugs. In an effort to combat the cancerous infection of crime, a billionaire philanthropist assumes the role of “The B@man” to strike fear into the hearts of the criminals of Gotham City. However, B@man must confront his own fears and by doing so save the people he has promised to protect.

Fear was once his weakness as a child, but as a man, it has become his weapon.

Moonshoes Theatre Company is a group of young and up-and-coming stars from Maroondah. After starting as a group of 15-year-olds who loved to act, Moonshoes has grown into a very passionate young theatre group. Come and support the future of Maroondah’s performing arts scene.

**Thursday 23 & Friday 24 January – 7:30pm**

**Tickets**
- All tickets: $10
- Bar open one hour prior to performance and post show.

**Bookings:**
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**JANUARY**

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- **School Banking Mondays**
- **Canteen Fridays @ morning recess time.**
- **Public Holidays**
- **School Holidays**