It seems hard to believe but we are heading into our last month for 2013. December’s focus is “Let’s Celebrate”; a chance to think about everything that’s happened in the year that we wish to celebrate whilst doing so with friends and family. I trust that your family has had many highlights this year and that you will be able to join in the celebrations with us.
News from the Principal continued.....

Choir performance

This Wednesday after school, our Choir will be performing at the Lilydale Coles shopping centre. They have been practising extremely hard and will do themselves and the school proud. We would love to see as many children attend as possible to add volume and impact to the performance. It is also a great chance for children in the Choir to perform in front of an audience.

Unfortunately due to the recent redevelopment of Hooky Park, this year’s Mooroolbark Community Carols have had to be cancelled. The Choir will perform at the school carols on Thursday, 12th December.

Teacher–led Project

Congratulations to Briony Berry who was successful in obtaining an Education Department grant to study differentiation (or teaching each child at their point of need) Given the numbers of teachers who applied for the grant, obtaining this was a huge “feather in the cap” for Briony and the school (even though we all know that she is fantastic and deserves it!) Ultimately it is a great thing for the kids at our school who will benefit from her study and knowledge.
News from the Principal continued…..

**School Council**
This Thursday, 5th December is our last School Council meeting starting at 7pm. I would like to thank all the Councillors for their valuable contribution throughout the year and trust that they have worked with the community to represent your views, hopes and aspirations.

**OSHC news**

**Curriculum Day – start of 2014**
Mandy is in the process of organizing a full day program for the 28th January. (This the day before the Year 1 – 6 children return) The day will include having the GYM BUS double decker bus come to the school. With its Tunnels, Slides, Fireman’s poles the children will get to spin, roll, climb, jump and do all sorts of gymnastics all inside the double decker bus. Expressions of interest are being taken in order to determine whether this day will go ahead.

**OSHC payments**
Mandy has sent out statements in regards to outstanding amounts. Payment is required by the end of the year (three weeks from now). If you would like to organize an automatic transfer or establish a payment plan, please see Carolyn in the Office.

Regards

*Carolyn Elliot*

*School Principal*
Pembroke Awards

December 3rd — December 6th 2013
Congratulations to the following students.

Grade 2/3M

Imi S.
Taking pride in the progress she has made with her reading. What a star!

Grade 5/6C

Liam.
Always being prepared to work hard to get his work done to a high standard.

2014 EMA Education Maintenance Allowance

EMA forms have been sent home and we have some at the office.

We need a copy of your Pension Card or Health Care Card with the completed form by Tuesday 17th December.
Grade 2/3M  
**Jack F.**  
*Being a highly talented author. You have such interesting ideas and we love reading all about them!*

Grade 5/6C  
**Johno.**  
*Terrific dedication to our iMaths investigation, the charity project and his digital portfolio. What a great all-rounder.*
VALUE OF THE WEEK
December 3rd —December 6th 2013.
Congratulations to the following students.

‘Caring’

Grade 2/3M     Anu K.
               Not only keeping her area tidy, but helping others to take pride in their surroundings.

Grade 5/6C     Van.
               Helping to tidy up the classroom—what a star!

EFT PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT

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
A BIG thank-you from 5/6M!

On Wednesday we held a little festival called "5/6M Make A Difference Festival".

We had face painting, nail art, 10 pin bowling, the sponge throw and dancing.

Lots of students from the whole school came and donated some money, and we raised a terrific $77.20 for The Salvation Army! This will be given to the charity during their Christmas appeal.

Thank-you to everyone that came, and well done to the 5/6 students for organising the running the event.

We would also like to let everyone know that we will continue to paint nails during lunch-times for a dollar, so come and see KuKu, Ves, Adawt and ParKu if you would like to have your nails painted or would like to donate!
**Canteen News**

Canteen will be closed for the rest of the year.

Thanking You
Le and Michelle

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**Pembroke Parents and Friends Group**

Every Monday afternoon Between 1-3pm the parents and friends association have a craft meeting. We have been learning to make heritage stockings, headbands and flowers. So if you would like to join our group and learn to make an article meet us in the art room at 1pm.

On Wednesday we will be putting together Ginger bread house and a ginger bread Christmas tree. Please support the Christmas raffle as this is our major fundraiser for this month.

Thanks.
Parents and Friends Association.

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**Don’t forget** this term you need to wear your hat!

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Thank you to Mr Gary Williams and his company RA Printing for producing all our new weekly student awards.
Pembroke Primary School
After School Care

Indoor and Outdoor activities

Cordial crumpets cupcakes

Painting, drawing, colouring in popcorn pancakes pizza

dress ups and cubbies!

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

Monopoly, Uno, Simpsons, Game of Life

fresh fruit
Christmas Hamper Raffle

We are seeking donations for the Christmas Hamper raffle. If each family is able to donate one item we would greatly appreciate it.

Some suggestions are:

- Small toy or gifts, children’s or adults books, games, colouring activity books etc.
- Christmas cards, wrapping paper, ribbon, Christmas cracker (bon bons), decorations for Christmas tree etc
- Hand crafted items most welcome
- Packet foods such as biscuits, shortbread, chips, nuts, crackers, lollies, chocolates, Tea bags etc.
- Cans or jars of food e.g. Jam, olives, pasta sauce, salsa, canned vegetables or fruit, fruit mince etc. As long as the food is non-perishable and not past its use by date please, otherwise we won’t be able to put it into a hamper.
- Bottles of wine or soft drink, fruit juice (not fresh please).

- Donations to be placed in the box provided in each classroom.

Raffle tickets will be available to purchase from December 2\textsuperscript{nd}

Thanks in advance for your generous assistance
To all students who have a birthday in December.

12th Solomon V.
    Hnem Nu H.
13th Nicole D.
15th Samuel T.
    Devlin T.
16th Jerri V.
18th Jack W.
    Van K.
    Bawi Tha F.
21st Mackenzie R.
26th Ben O.
Congratulations Amy!

Amy D. from 3/4D recently entered the Lilydale show with a cooked slice and uncooked slice, Amy won third place. Well Done Amy!
Community Notices

RUGBY LEAGUE
has arrived in the Eastern Suburbs!

EASTERN
RAPTORS
RUGBY
LEAGUE

Players, Coaches & Volunteers required for
2014 Season

Boys & Girls
Ages from 4-16 years old
& Girls 12-16 OZTAG Team

For More Information:
Email: raptors2011@live.com.au
Visit: www.easternraptors.com.au
Visit: www.facebook.com/eastern.raptors
Community Notices

JULIAN’S DRUM SCHOOL

- Develop a career or drum for fun.
- Drumming tuition for all ages, all levels.
- Tailored to your musical tastes.
- Julian is drum associate of Japara Neighbourhood House and member of Music Victoria.
- We can offer experience in bands, mentoring for the young and support for those who want to jam with other musicians.
- First half hour lesson is free.
- Call us for a friendly chat.

M: 0488 233 232
E: julianlmartin@yahoo.com.au
www.juliansdrumschool.com.au

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Give your child the power of confidence through self defence while at the same time learning the principles of focus and respect. Bully proof your child at Bukido kids karate and full time Martial Arts Centre. We have full insurance and safety mats on all training areas. Join now with a free start up package including high quality uniform & protective hand mitts valued at $130.

Check us out and see the results at Bukido Karate 20A Williams Street Lilydale. (just behind UltraTune in John St, near the high school entrance)
Phone 97351138 between 3pm and 8pm weekdays
Our website is www.bukidokarate.com
Email bukido@mail.com Phone 97351138 Mobile 0432066046
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- **School Banking Mondays**
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