Special Points of Interest:

- Thurs Feb 14th Teachers stop work meeting. No students to be at school.
- Mon Feb 18th New Parents Morning Tea 9.15am.
- Tues Feb 19th Family Fun night 6-8pm

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from the Principal ...

Our year has started fabulously and it is great to see so many enthusiastic and excited people (Both big and small!)

Each week our newsletter will come out with information that may help to connect you further to our school community as well as share important information and dates that enrich your child’s education (and hopefully also helps at home a little with planning and “being in the loop”)

There are a number of other ways that you can also find out the things you need to know:-

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.
Facebook – Pembroke Primary School has its own Facebook page. The purpose of this is to disseminate information quickly to a large number of people. We will post reminders; updates etc. and families are able to ask general questions. We will make every effort to answer them as soon as possible. More specific questions and concerns need to be addressed to the relevant person either in person or by making a time to catch up not posted on Facebook. Please be reminded that what you post, many can see

To join our page, find us on Facebook and click “like”.

https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Pembroke-Primary-School-Mooroolbark-Vic/260169595384

Please note:- As Facebook’s Statement of Rights and Responsibilities require users of the social network to be at least 13 years old and the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) mandates that websites that collect information about users (like Facebook) aren't allowed to sign on anyone under the age of 13 we do not allow children under this age to join our Facebook page. Any child under this age who joins or people over this age who do not use the site as intended will have their content removed or will be removed from the group.

School website – Our website is continually being updated and things such as newsletters are posted on our site each week.

Find us at www.pemprim.vic.edu.au/
School Council – Nominations are currently being accepted for the 2013-2014 School Council. Last week, I posted information in the newsletter about what the Council’s role is within the school and what commitments are required. People can self-nominate or be nominated by others. Forms are available at the Office.

Parent/Teacher interviews – Notices went home about these last week and the interviews are this Wednesday, 13th February. Generally they are for Year 1-6 children, however Mrs Berry is more than happy to do these with Prep families if requested. If you have not returned your form but would like an interview, contact the Office. The purpose of this interview is for you to meet your child’s teacher and share with them important information that will assist the teacher to provide the very best education for your child. Interviews regarding your child’s progress are held in June or can be requested by parents at any time.

Family Fun Night – Tuesday, 19th February from 6pm

Family Fun Night at Pembroke is an annual event in which families come along, bring their picnic blankets and chairs and share in some fun old fashioned games on the oval with their children. It is a great chance to meet new families and share in the Pembroke spirit.

At any time teachers are happy to talk to you about questions that you may have. Please be mindful of key planning and preparation times such as 8:45 – 9:00. If necessary, a suitable time for you both can be arranged.
Student Safety
As mentioned at Assembly on Monday afternoon, please do not walk your children up through the Staff car park. There is a path on the side of the oval for this purpose and it is significantly safer. Families also need to ensure that they park in designated car parks along Pembroke and Lawson Road as these are there for the protection of your child/ren. The area right near the crossing where the parking lines taper are not car parking spaces and should not be used for this purpose.

Staffing
Mrs Christine Collins will be absent for a significant period of Term 1 as she awaits and then has a hip operation. To ensure continuity of the class we have employed Miss Bree Monks for Term 1 in the Year 5/6 class. We welcome her to our school and hope that she captures the “Pembroke spirit”

Religious Education
R.E is once again being offered to all families at Pembroke. This is an “opt in” program and one that requires the return of the form that has been sent home. If you did not receive a notice please let the class teacher or Office know and we will happily organise one for you.

Nude food
We are making a real effort this year to reduce the amount of rubbish throughout the school and promote sustainable practises. We are therefore encouraging children to bring food in reusable containers or “nude food” (food that can be totally consumed). If you are able to assist in this area it would be most appreciated.

Carolyn Elliot—School Principal.

Please note there will be a Teachers stop work meeting this Thursday Feb 14th. We apologize for the inconvenience that this causes and hope the matter will be resolved soon.
Pembroke Awards
Feb 11th—Feb 15th 2013

Congratulations to the following students.

Grade Prep

Peter C.
For taking pride in his writing.
You are writing your name very well Peter. Great Work!

Grade 2/3M.

Finn O.
Taking pride in everything he does. You have such beautiful manners Finn and set a wonderful example for the rest of 2/3M.

Grade 3/4D.

Madison M.
Thank-you for taking so much pride in the class room and helping out in so many ways.

Grade 5/6C.

Vesity R.
Her passion shown towards her friends and family. Thank you for sharing this with us!
STUDENT OF THE WEEK.
Feb 4th—Feb 8th 2013.
Congratulations to the following students.

Grade Prep  
James R.  
For his efforts in all areas this week. He is a wonderful learner and a great listener. Well Done!

Grade 2/3M  
Mark R.  
Being a highly talented author. For a minute Mr Moxon thought he was a high school teacher marking high school work. What a star!

Grade 3/4D  
Tha Tha.  
Well done Tha Tha on your fantastic writing you have achieved so far. Looking forward to reading some more of your work.

Grade 5/6C  
Josh D.  
His thoughtful, clever and beautifully presented work always a joy to read!
VALUE OF THE WEEK
GETTING ALONG
Feb 4th—Feb 8th 2013.
Congratulations to the following students

Grade Prep        Mackenzie R.
For ‘getting along’ with other Preps. Mackenzie has been a great sharer and friend this week. Thanks MacKenzie.

Grade 2/3M        2/3M
Being a friendly and supportive class. We have encouraged and looked after each other extremely well.
Keep it up 2/3M!

Grade 3/4D        Becky.
Well done Becky on making friends and learning class rules.

Grade 5/6C        Johno L.
Sharing his wonderful ideas in our Community Circle session about getting along!
Date Absent: ____________________

Teacher:______________________________  Grade:___________________

Child:___________________________________________________________________

Reason for Absence:_____________________________________________________

Signature of Parent _____________________________________________________

Please note that the Absence Slip needs to be filled in, signed and returned to the classroom teacher. If you know your child will be absent please contact the school office on 9725 6689 and give prior notification. Thank you!
Parents and Friends Association.

Just to remind parents about several events which are being held at the school.

On Monday 18th Feb we are holding a welcome to new parents in the morning. Time 9.15am in the staffroom. Also the school will be holding the family fun night. **We will be holding a BBQ between 6—6.30pm. Sausages $2.00 & Hamburgers $3.00.** The annual AGM for the Parents and Friends Association will be held on March 5th 2pm in the schools library. Please read the following regarding how to be a part of this wonderful group.

Thanking You
Michelle and Sheryn.

What is the role of the Parents and Friends Group?

- **We are classroom helpers**
- **We work with and support the grades Parent Liaisons**
- **We organize & run special lunches like footy day, school breakfasts & lunches**
- **We look after and supply items for the Mothers & Fathers Day stalls.**
- **We are a body of parents who are able to assist with school activities, performances & excursions.**
- **We also have a representative on School Council.**

At Pembroke you are always welcome.

There are many opportunities for you to contribute to the school and your participation is encouraged and appreciated.

Research has shown that parental participation in school activities not only benefits the school but also improves the performance and attitudes of the children of those parents.
Nomination Form for
Nomination Form for Election to the Committee of the Pembroke Primary School ‘Parents & Friends’ Group

I, ...........................................................................................(full name of applicant)
nominate to be a candidate for election as ......................................(position)
of the Committee of the Parents & Friends Group.

If I am elected as a Committee Member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the Group for the time being in force.

................................................................. Date ..............................
(Signature of applicant)

I, ......................................................................................................(full name) a member of the Group, nominate the applicant, who is personally known to me, for the election to the Committee of the Group.

................................................................. Date ..............................
(Signature of proposer)

I, ......................................................................................................(full name) a member of the Group, nominate the applicant, who is personally known to me, for the election to the Committee of the Group.

................................................................. Date ..............................
(Signature of seconder)

Don’t Forget Term 1
Hats are compulsory.

If you do not have one you can purchase one from the school office.
After School Basketball teams were submitted last week! Please submit any late registrations to the office ASAP. The AGM takes place on Monday 11th February and games will begin Monday 18th February.

For Season 1 we have entered a Grade 3/4 boys team into the Grade 4 competition as the Pembroke Power.

Pembroke Power will be playing Monday afternoons between 4-6pm. We have secured a coach but do need a Team Manager. Please advise Katrin Howes, Hugh Wakeham or the school office if you are willing to take on this role. Stay tuned for further information regarding training and fixtures.

Families who have registered children to play from other grade levels please note we are unable to enter any other teams this season due to lack of numbers. Please contact the office if you have paid registration and/or ordered a basketball singlet.

In 2013 a new convenor will be taking over from Katrin Howes. Please welcome Hugh Wakeham (Darcy and Isla’s Dad) and show him your support as he takes on this role.

I would like to wish all families and players the very best for 2013!

Kind Regards,
Katrin Howes
Pembroke Primary School

After School Care

Indoor and Outdoor activities

cordial
crumpets
cupcakes

painting, drawing, colouring in

popcorn pancakes pizza

donball

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

dress ups and cubbies!
fresh fruit
OSHC NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

OSHC are looking for lego and cars!!

If you have any old lego or toy cars lying around or a looking for an excuse to clean out the toy box, we would love some of your old lego at OSHC.

Donations can be made to the office any time or straight to OSHC between 3pm and 6pm daily!!

OSHC are also looking for old fitted and flat sheets, blankets and large pieces of scrap material to make cubbies with!

If you have any of these laundry items hiding in cupboards (or need an excuse to buy new linen!) please feel free to donate them to OSHC as well!!
NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM

OUR ART ROOM WOULD LIKE YOUR RECYCLED WASTE

As Part of Celebrate Mooroolbark we are making recycled art works. Could we please have donations of recycled items before they go in your bin especially;

Milk cartons of any size
Drink bottles of any size
Colorful plastic bags or other items; cardboard/paper
Toilet roll centres and paper centres

Could you please put (Ideally clean) donated recycling in your classroom

Many thanks, Ms Ewington

NEWSLETTER NOW AVAILABLE BY EMAIL.

We are happy to send to parents home or at work emails. Visit our website and subscribe to our newsletter or contact the school at pembroke.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au and put Newsletter in subject line. All newsletters are available on the Pembroke Primary website and don't forget our face book fan page. All notices can be found on our Website.
STATE 12 AND UNDER CRICKET TEAM

Nominations for the School Sport Victoria 12 & Under Cricket Teams are now open. Schools are invited to nominate suitably skilled students to participate in the trial process. Nominations shall only include children born in 2001, 2002 or 2003.

Each school is permitted to nominate NO MORE than 3 boys for this team while there is no limit placed on the number of girls that schools are permitted to nominate.

Teachers will be expected to provide details such as the students name, address, contact phone numbers, date of birth, email address and parents/guardians names as well as the contact details for the school and teacher. At the completion of the nomination students will be required to print out their confirmation form (which will be emailed to them within 7 days of being nominated), have it signed by the relevant parties and bring it to their local trial.

Once nominations are closed, the local Regional Cricket Manager will send a letter to each student and their school to notify them of their trial date and venue.

Trial Period: 4-29 March

The first round of trials will be conducted by Cricket Victoria’s Regional Cricket Managers in the 16 Cricket Victoria regions (typically within a maximum of a 1 ½ hours drive).

The carnival will take place in Bendigo (VIC) from the 3rd to the 11th of January 2014. Students selected in this team will be expected to cover the cost of their involvement in this team and carnival (approximately $1000.00 – which includes transport and uniform).

**Anyone interested in nominating their child needs to contact Carolyn Elliot prior to Wednesday, 20th February.**
A Report on
“Pembroke Primary School”

Pembroke Primary School is the best school in the world. There are lots of fun things to do and great students too.

At Pembroke Primary School our teachers help to keep us safe. The teachers are very smart and help the students to be as smart as them. The teachers are nice at welcoming people and helping people when they need to be helped.

Computers at Pembroke have very good games like Mathletics, Club Penguin and Spike games. PowerPoint can be fun as you can make slideshows and download pictures from the internet. They are useful and you can do lots of things with them.

Unlike other schools we get to do amazing productions every year. We enjoy singing songs and performing in music. In music we get to play fun games sometimes.

We get to verse other schools in Interschool Sports. We get to play ball games like base ball, soccer and cricket. Mr Datsun tries to make sure we have fun and work as a team.

Pembroke Primary School really is the place to be. These are just four good things about Pembroke, there are many, many more. Come and visit our school to have a look!

By 3/4 D
The ‘Step into Prep’ program allows children to enter their first year of Primary School as confident, independent and enthusiastic learners.

Come along to any (or all) of the exciting Step into Prep sessions starting in Term 2

Tuesday the 30th of April for 2.30 - 3.15 for Step into Prep

Come along to our first Step into Prep activity in the Music Room for Musical Maths.

Tuesday the 30th of May 2.30 - 3.15 for Step into Prep & an Information Afternoon Tea.

Kids come along and join in the Learning in the Library. Parents are invited to an afternoon tea to meet our Principal Carolyn Elliot and Multicultural Aid Mangku who will take you on a tour of the classrooms and grounds, as well as answering any questions you may have.

Consider a small school option for your child

At Pembroke we pride ourselves on offering an education that caters to the needs of the ‘whole child’, through targeting individual needs, interests and abilities.

School Tours at Pembroke can be held anytime.

Contact the School Office on 9725 6689 to arrange an appointment.
PLAYERS WANTED
FOR ALL AGE GROUPS

If you are interested in playing the “world game”, then why don’t you join our friendly family club, the Croydon City Arrows Soccer Club.

We cater for all age groups both boys and girls from 5 to 18yo.

REGISTRATION DAY 10th of February 2013
10.00am to 4.00pm

Dorset Recreational Reserve, Jenkins Lane Croydon.

For more information, go to our website at
www.croydoncitysc.org.au

Email: ccarrows@gmail.com

Or contact us on 0414726699.
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email:
teipea@gmail.com
phone: 0413903189
Community Notices

Mooroolbark
Junior Soccer Club
Registration Day

Sunday 10th December
10.00pm-2.00pm

Mooroolbark Junior Club Rooms
Esther Park, Mooroolbark

Registration day for all Junior teams
from Optus SSF to U17’s playing in the
FFV competition for season 2013

secretary@barker's.com.au
Growing Great Kids

Do you sometimes feel like your head is going to explode?
Do you wonder why they aren't listening to you?
Or how to deal with your anger and theirs?!!
Come along to this program and share your frustrations, skills and
maybe get new ideas on parenting in today’s world

Who: Dads, mums and carers of children 0 -12 years

Where: Mt. Evelyn Memorial Pre-School, 24 Birmingham Road, Mt. Evelyn

When: Tuesday 12th, 19th & 26th Feb, 5th, 12th & 19th March
7.00pm 9.00 pm

Cost: Free (bookings essential)

Contact: Helena at Parentzone 9735 6134 or 0488 501 204
Bec at Connections 9724 2222
When your child comes to Stage Creation, you can be assured that he or she won’t get lost in the crowd. You see, we understand that each person is amazingly unique.

Due to ongoing success, Stage Creation is offering classes in your area.

**Classes Incorporating lessons in:**
- Drama
- Singing
- Movement

**Hip Hop Classes - Only $5 a class**
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Classes are also designed to incorporate student’s individual interests in speciality areas such as clowning, stunt work, acting on camera, public speaking, producing music online or song writing (subject to sufficient demand).

**Testimonials from parents**

“The kids love it!! The variety of activities that are offered are great fun.”

“Stage Creation staff provide a fun and safe environment for my child to try new things.”

“We are so amazed at how much our sons confidence, self esteem and personal development has grown.”

“Stage Creation gives all students equal opportunities to express their talents and interests.”

**Stage Creation:**
Caters for both boys & girls
Doesn’t require expensive costumes/uniforms
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Community Notices

WANTED

The Library needs a bookcase if any family has one they no longer need maybe they would like to donate to our new library. We have some reference books that we would love to have their own special place.

Thanking you

Leanne Richards.

Librarian

Porcelain Punch Travelling Medicine Show

A band of charming gap-toothed gypsy charlatans from yesteryear travel from town to town performing an old-school medicine sideshow, demonstrating living proof of the magical elixir ‘Porcelain Punch’ and its healing properties, interspersed with comedic pitches and audience participation by frontman, Sir Leonard Grad accompanied by illuminating songstress Miss Ellie May Rose.

Be a witness to; a farcical rubber woman act by contortionist ‘The Malleable Miss Molly Minks’, the unique feats of strength combining acrobatics and Hula Hooping by ‘The Captain of Charisma’ Little Timmy Strongman, the travelling Irish minstrel and one man band ‘The Marvelous Oliver Muscat’, and ‘The Beautiful Miss Buggie Belle’, a former sideshow extravaganza who was once known for being ‘so horrendously ugly she was barely recognisable as human’ performing the story of her transformation into the most beautiful woman on earth.

“Olive Musket sent the audience crazy with delight as a drooling Wildman and one-man-band. Please see it before it rolls out of town.” - Theatre People

Suitable for 8+ with adult supervision.

Show Duration: 60 minutes - no interval

Cast:

Emilie Johnston, Madeline Hudson, Luke O’Connor, Chrisy Flaws, Zak Pidd

Ticket Prices:

Full $28
Concession / Groups 8+ $25
Youth (under 25) $20

Pre-Theatre Dinner: $38 p/p (at 6.30pm)

Bookings:

Karralyka Centre
Mines Road, Ringwood East
Phone: 9879 2933
www.karralyka.com.au

Owned and operated by Arondah City Council

Porcelain Punch provides an hour of entertainment with an old timey flavour that had me leaving with a face sore from laughing nearly non-stop.”

- Artbeat Adelaide

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**February**

Term 1: 30th January to 28th March

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Please support our Teachers in this stop work meeting. No school on Feb 14th.

*School Banking* morning recess time.  
*Mondays*  
*Canteen Fridays*