Special Points of Interest:
- Wed Feb 6th No Preps at school.
- Wed Feb 6th Parents and Friends meeting 2pm in Library all welcome.

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WELCOME from the Principal ...

A huge welcome back to everyone and a warm welcome to the twelve new families that have joined the Pembroke community. It is great to see our school continuing to grow and people returning after being told by others how fabulous our school is for their child. At this stage it looks like we will have around 105 children (12 more than we started with last year) and for the first time in a couple of years we are above the 100 mark and growing. Fantastic!

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.
I would also like to welcome Simon Datson to the school. Simon is our PE teacher and will be working on Thursdays. Jacqui Walker continues at Pembroke, this year working Wednesday and Thursday in a Drama and Music capacity in our new Performing Arts Centre. Paula Ewington will be teaching Art on Tuesdays with is really exciting as Paula has exhibited many of her own paintings in various Art galleries and venues.

We also welcome Dani Vasiliades (Miss Vas) to the school who already has great ideas about, not only her classroom, but areas such as the Vegetable Garden and a WOW board which will be up and running soon.

Whilst I know there are staff that have left that may be missed, I am sure that the new additions to our team will enhance and compliment the wonderful staff that we already have. Thank you to those families who have already given their well wishes and made our “newbies” feel really welcome.

**The newsletter**

This year we have decided to change the newsletter day to Monday. This will then coincide with the Weekly Assembly, enabling our students and families to receive the information on the same day. It also means that awards are given out on the Monday and families notified on the same day. With Interschool sport etc. on Fridays, it is also our hope that more families will receive their newsletters on time. Please remember that all newsletters can also be accessed online at the Pembroke Primary School website - www.pemprim.vic.edu.au
News from the Principal continued…..

School Production

This year’s School Production will be much earlier in the year (May) and so Mrs Walker will be very soon introducing many of the ideas and the music to the students. If you would like to be involved in helping in anyway, I’m sure she would relish your support. The theme for the production this year is the “Circus”. See Jacqui on Wednesday / Thursday

Thank you

A big thank you to Sheryn Holloway who once again has offered to collate and produce the newsletters for the school. This is a massive commitment each week and a role that we very much value – thank you Sheryn

Hats

A reminder that the navy blue school bucket hats are part of school uniform and are to be worn in Term 1 & 4 for all activities conducted outside. Hats are available at the Office for $10. Please ensure that they are named for ease of return.

School Council

From next week onwards for three weeks, I will be seeking nominations for School Council. These positions will commence in March 2013 and last for a period of two years (unless circumstances require the person to “step down” from the role) and the number of positions is based on half of the Council finishing their 2011-2013 tenure.
News from the Principal continued…..

School Council members represent the community. They are positive about the school and work with the staff to help make Pembroke “the best it can be”. Councillors have a little time to give to the school, want to further be part of their child’s education and are able to listen to the viewpoints of others, reflect and then share their own ideas.

What is required?

There are two Council meetings per terms- these are at night and generally last for two hours. The day is negotiated amongst the Councillors.

This year our Council will have three sub committees :- development of the Junior School area; Community building and “Green and Clean” (our environment)

Members of the Council will be required to be on at least one of these sub committees which will organise and oversee a number of activities/events – they will then report back at School Council meetings.

Who can apply?

Any member of our community is able to be nominated for School Council – either as a self-nomination (you nominate yourself) or nominated by another person. Where the number of nominations exceeds the positions available then this is put to a vote within the community.

What if the people who are currently doing it want to continue?

Everyone has equal rights in this process. No current member is guaranteed their position based on the fact that they currently hold it. As mentioned above; a vote will be held if there are more nominations to positions.

If you are after further information please speak with one of our current Councillors – Katrin Howes (President), Glenn Morrison (Treasurer), Kevin Rolston, Michelle Kitchener, Lee-Anne Lee, Jenny De Witte, Nat Kilby, John Kingma, Kim Davidson & Christine Collins.

Carolyn Elliot—School Principal.
Parents and Friends Group

We would like to welcome all new parents and our parents back for the new year. There will be lots to do this year and we just can’t wait to get started. There will be a Welcome to Pembroke morning tea for new parents. We will also be holding the Parents and Friends meeting at 2pm in the Library on Wednesday 6th Feb. All parents are welcome to attend. If you would like to volunteer and please see Michelle or Sheryn.

Thanking You
Michelle and Sheryn.

WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL

We would like to welcome all new preps and students to our school. A big welcome and Hello. If you need any help please ask a student and they will be able to help you.

MANGKU’S NOTES

Hi my name is Mangu and I am here to assist Chin families with any thing within the school. I am here on Monday and Tuesday all day. If you any questions or need help about your child please call me on the school office phone 9725 6689.

Keimah cu Mangku ka si ii hi ka sianginn ah hin Chin chungkkar caah bawm ding in ka um. Ca cawn nikhat le nihnih chun nitlak ka um lai. Bia hal ding le bawmh na herh mi a um ah cun sianginn zung phone in chawnh khawh ka si. 9725 6689
Pembroke Primary School

After School Care

Indoor and Outdoor activities

cordial
crumpets
cupcakes

painting, drawing, colouring in

popcorn pancakes pizza

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

DOWNBALL

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!!
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.
Dear students and Parents

Please find attached registration form for 2103 Season 1. Any interested players need to complete the form and return to the office by Monday 4th February.

This is open to all grade 1 –6 students.

**NEW PLAYERS WELCOME - GREAT INTRODUCTION TO BASKETBALL.**

Please contact the office if you have any queries.

### 2013 Registration Fees

The registration fee is a one off payment of $25 which is required with completed registration form. If you have any difficulties please contact the office. Payment plans are available. 

Game Fees: Each week every team pays a game of $20. This needs to be shared between team members. Each team manager will set a weekly $ amount per player. Eg. $20 + 8 players = $2.50 per game.

Stadium Entry 2012—$2 per player and for spectators 12 and over. Coaches admitted free (must be on door list)

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Fixtures will be sent home at the start of each season.

Any parent interested in being a coach or team manager please indicate preference below.

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The new uniform order is attached Singlets $40.

If any families have second hand singlets they no longer need please leave them at the office or hand to Katrin Howes.
Happy Birthday
to the following students
who have
a birthday
in January & February

JAN 1 Par Ku P.
3 Quinn G.
Victor K.
Aden L.
4 Daniel R.
11 Mary L.
12 Thomas D.
13 Locky C.
14 Francis Van K.
20 Vesity R.
22 Kohen H.
30 Josh D.

FEB 5 Morry T.
14 Matisse A.
Imogen A.
26 Peter H.
Bailey K.
Community Notices

WANTED

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

Thanking you
Leanne Richards.
Librarian

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.

Thank you to Mr Gary Williams and his company RA Printing for producing all our new weekly student awards.
# February

**Term 1 : 30th January to 28th March**

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