from the Principal …

Yesterday was a Curriculum Day and a chance for all 2015 staff to get together and plan the year ahead. In terms of staffing I can confirm the following: -

Prep – Miss Bree Monks
Year 1/2 – Mrs. Kerry Todkill
Year 2/3 – Mrs. Christine Collins
Year 3/4 – Mrs. Belinda Woods
Year 5 – Mrs. Briony Berry
Year 5/6 – Miss Michelle Letts
Chinese – Mrs. Bo Wen
Art / Performing Arts – Mrs. Caroline Jones
P.E - Matthew Stella
Chaplain – Craig Ingram
Welfare and support (Three days per week) – Mr. Phillip Moxon
Pat Huggins (Aide)
Leanne Richards (Aide)
As always we have selected staff that add to the Pembroke community. Whilst we will miss the staff that are leaving we know that our new staff come with passion, enthusiasm and an absolute commitment to do their very best for each child at the school. We look forward to welcoming them into the Pembroke family.

Classes will be announced 5th Friday, December when all children will spend some time with their 2015 classmates. Teachers have spent considerable time planning these groupings and, it has been mentioned previously they have taken into account many things when determining the ‘right’ placement for your child.

**Hookey Park Carols**
These are being held this Friday at Hookey Park, Mooroolbark. Miss Monks has worked with a group of students to learn a number of songs that will be performed on the night. We would love to see members of our community come along and join in the festive celebrations.

She will also be taking a group down to the local elderly residential unit where the children will get a chance to brighten the day of some community members and share the Christmas spirit with others.

**Building project**
I am pleased to report that Law Architects have been selected as the Architects and Project Managers for our Building upgrade. At a recent interview, representatives from the company impressed DEECD and also Katrin and myself with their vision and connectedness to our values and beliefs. We are very excited to be working with them and look forward to seeing the next stage take shape.

If you would like to see some projects undertaken by Law Architects log onto http://www.lawarchitects.com.au/ and look under selected projects.
Thank you
Last week we held our last School Council meeting for the year. I would like to thank the 2014 Councilors on behalf of the community for their support and hard work over the past twelve months. In March next year we will be looking to create our new School Council. If you are interested in taking part, speak with Katrin Howes, our School Council President or any member of School Council.

Thank you also to the families who were able to assist with the Sausage selling at the Victorian election on Saturday. Your contribution assisted the school to raise greatly needed funds and ultimately add to our technology purchases in preparation for 2015. Thanks also to those who came to vote and purchased a sausage or two.

Carolyn Elliot
Principal

PFA NEWS
On behalf of the Parents and Friends Association, we would like to thank everybody who helped at the BBQ on Saturday. A big Thank you to Caron, Roxy, Andrew, Carolyn O, Andrew H, Le, Pat, Jenny, Hugh & Kerrie. Also a big thankyou to our students who helped with the Relay for Life Raffle & Guess the Jellybeans competition. Brianna, Amy, Emma, Ryan and Amber. You all did a wonderful job. We are very blessed to have such a proactive community who will help when help is needed.

We raised just over $1000.00 for the day
Thanking everyone for their support.

Sheryn Holloway on behalf of
Parents and Friends Association.
Congratulations to the following students.

Grade Prep/1B  Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 1W  Lily.
The pride and passion she has towards her ‘Read and Spell’ words.

Grade 2B  Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 3/4C  Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 3/4M  Vaughan.
Having a lovely time playing with friends in the yard. Great to see your passion for fun!

Grade 5/6M  Will appear in Next week’s issue
VALUE OF THE WEEK.
December 1st–5th 2014
TEAMWORK

Congratulations to the following students

Grade Prep/1B
Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 1W
Juvraj
Always being a great team member during our games

Grade 2B
Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 3/4C
Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 3/4M
Jack F.
Showing lovely teamwork by supporting his table-mates!

Grade 5/6M
Will appear in Next week’s issue
STUDENT OF THE WEEK.
December 1st – 5th 2014

Congratulations to the following students:

Grade Prep/1B  Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 1W  Tegan.
Fantastic effort in all that she does. This week you have done some great thinking!

Grade 2B  Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 3/4C  Will appear in Next week’s issue

Grade 3/4M  Bec P.
Her hard work on her biography with so many paragraphs.

Grade 5/6M  Will appear in Next week’s issue
MONDAY IS BANKING DAY.
Only 2 more Banking Days to go.

CANTEEN NEWS
The canteen will be open on Friday 5th Dec. This will be the last day canteen will be open for this year.
Don’t forget you need to have your lunch orders in by Wednesday.
Thanking You
Le and Michelle.

RELAY FOR LIFE NEWS
Thank you everyone for your support during the month of November. Our community raised just over $500.00

A huge thanks to everyone who donated items for the raffle, made loom bands, toffees and biscuits for the cause.

The Raffle winner was Darren Holloway and Guess the can of Jelly Beans was won by Dave Dodd.
Thanks everyone for your support
CRAFT/ACTIVITY GROUP
Every Monday afternoon we have a craft/activity group which meets in the Art room. We hope to see you in Term 4 Times 1.30 – 3.20pm.

FRIDAY WALKING GROUP.
Each Friday morning we have a dedicated walking group who walk around the area for around 45 mins. Meet outside the junior School at 9.00am. If you would like to know more please see Caron or Kerry.

Don’t forget:
4th Term you need to wear your hat!
TO ALL STUDENTS WHO HAVE A BIRTHDAY IN DECEMBER

Dec 12th Solomon V.
     Hnem Nu H.
15th Samuel T.
     Devlin T.
18th Jack W.
     Van K.
     Bawi Tha F.
20th Ruth P.
21st Mackenzie R.
26th Ben O.
29th Keira S.
Dear Parents,

Your child has committed to performing in the Pembroke Christmas Choir.

We have a performance on Wednesday December 3rd at Mooroolbark Residential Aged Care. 
We will be walking to this location as a group during school hours.
It is a 14 minutes walk from school, and there is No cost involved.

The performance begins at 11am, so students will be meeting Bree Monks at 10.30am to allow enough time for the journey. We will return around 12pm.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to speak to Bree Monks (3/4M teacher).

I give permission for my child __________________ to attend our local excursion to Mooroolbark Residential Aged Care on Wednesday December 3rd 2014.
I authorise the teacher in charge of the excursion to consent, where it is impracticable to communicate with me, to my child receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary.

Please list two emergency numbers:
1. __________________
2. __________________

Signed ________________ Date: / / 2014
Dear Parents,

Your child has committed to performing in the Pembroke Christmas Choir.

We have another performance on Friday December 5th at Hookey Park in Mooroolbark.
Students will need to make their own way there, and be accompanied by an adult.

The Community Carols begin at 6.30pm, so BYO picnic rug and enjoy the Croydon Citizens Brass Band from 7.30 onwards.

The carols program begins at 8pm, so students will need to meet Bree Monks by 7.30pm, near the stage.

Students need to wear their school uniform, and will be given a choir shirt to wear on the night.
They are welcome to wear Santa hats or Reindeer ears.

We will be performing two songs:
-Santa Wear Your Shorts
-Christmas All Around The World
(both songs are by Hi-5)

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to speak to Bree Monks (3/4M teacher).

Thanks and I look forward to seeing you there!!!

Sincerely,
Bree Monks
Prep/1
End of Year Celebration

The children in Mrs Berry’s & Mrs Woods’ grade have worked exceptionally hard all year and are very deserving of a special day out.

On Thursday the 18th of December, we will be heading to Croydon Cinemas where we will be viewing Paddington Bear and then heading to the park for a picnic lunch. The cost of the outing will be $15, which includes the movie and bus fees.

All money and notices need to be returned before Friday the 12th of December.

Thanking you,

Briony & Belinda

______    _____
CHILD’S NAME: ___________________ GRADE: __________

I give permission for my child to participate in the Prep/1 Cinema Celebration on Thursday 18th December. I authorise the teacher in charge of the excursion to consent, where it is impracticable to communicate with me; to the child receiving such medical or surgical treatment as may be deemed necessary.

My contact telephone number is: __________________________

Emergency Contact details PH: __________________ PH: __________________

Medical Information (if necessary):

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Refund policy: A medical certificate is required in order for a refund to be provided and a credit placed on the child’s account.
Date Absent: ________________

Teacher: ___________________________  Grade: ________________

Child: __________________________________

Reason for Absence: _______________________________________

Signature of Parent ________________________________________
Our OSHC Program

Before School Care: $11 (less with CCB)
7am – 8:45am and includes breakfast

After School Care: $16 (less with CCB)
3:30pm – 6pm, includes afternoon tea

Call or text 0437-569-448 to book!
EFT PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT
This 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

REMINDEERS.

Student Pack Collection

2015 Student Packs can be collected Friday 23rd January and Wednesday 28th January. 9am to 1pm, from the school office. The school uniform shop will also be open during these times.

Term 1 2015 commences Thursday 29th January

You are required to pay a minimum of $80 per child to collect your pack.

Carolyn O'Rourke
Business Manager
## December

**Term 4 : 6th Oct- 19th Dec 2014**

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