



Pembroke Primary School Newsletter

MONDAY 11th APRIL 2015

Special Points of Interest :

- **Wed 27th April
School Council
4.00pm**
- **Fri 29th April
School Photos**

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Term 2 Dates

Term 2 : 11th April -
24th June 2016



from the Principal ...

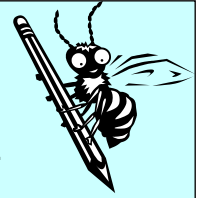
Welcome back to another term and all staff hope that families had a wonderful Easter. This term brings much excitement as we see our main building demolished and the ground is cleared ready for the construction of the two new buildings. Prior to this we are awaiting the connection of our new switchboard.

In the course of the Building project, access may become a little difficult. Safety will of course, be our first priority, however, we will work with the Project Managers to provide the best access possible. We do ask, that unless necessary, families do not drive into the staff car park as this will be used by trucks and other machinery throughout the ten months (the anticipated build time).

School Photos

Our Photo's this year will be on Friday 29th April

News from the Principal continued.....



NEW STAFF

In Term 2, we welcome Mrs. Teresa Lennie to the school staff. Teresa will replace Greg Wilson, who has obtained a full time Science position in New South Wales. Teresa is currently teaching Physics at Mullauna Secondary College in Mitcham and is incredibly excited to be joining the team. She will take each class for Science in addition to our Year 7-8 'Archimedes' Math's program.

At this stage, Christine Collins is continuing to recover from her hip operation and so Phillip Moxon will remain as the Year 1/2 teacher for the foreseeable future. We continue to wish Chris well in her recovery.

ALPHABEENIES

Do you know of any four year olds?

'Alphabeenies' is a four year old Literacy program undertaken by our Prep teacher, Bree Monks. The program will commence in the second week of term, each Wednesday at 2:30 – 3:30. Parents are able to stay during Term 2, in order to support their child in their transition to Primary School. The aim of 'Alphabeenies' is to provide core literacy skills, providing a wonderful start to build upon. This program is being recognized by Monash University as an exemplar transition program and the comments received by families with children who attended in 2015 support these findings.

Enrolments for 2017 are required in all Yarra Ranges Primary Schools by 31st July. Ask at the Office for an Enrolment pack.

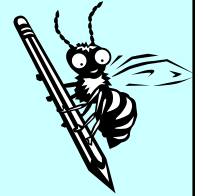
YEAR 6 – 7 TRANSITION

Forms will be going home this week for Year 7, 2017. These forms must be completed and returned to school by the due date. After these, we submit them to your first preference and receive confirmation mid Term 3. If you have any questions, please speak with Briony, Belinda or Carolyn E.

Anzac Day Service

A number of our Year 5/6 students will be attending the special Children's Anzac Day service at the Melbourne Shrine on Friday, 22nd April. This event is funded by Legacy.

News from the Principal continued.....



PUBLIC SPEAKING

In Term 2, students in Year 5 and 6 will be undertaking a public speaking course run by Yellow Lantern. Over a series of eight sessions consisting of 1.5 hours, children will develop increased confidence and the skills to speak publicly. The program will culminate in an evening where parents and families are invited. For more information go to <http://www.yellowlantern.com.au/school-program>

We believe that these skills are important for all children and as such will be funding the program in its entirety to ensure that all children are able to participate.

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

We will be holding our House Cross Country on Thursday 21st April at 9:30 and would welcome any parents who are able to act as marshalls. The event will be held at Elizabeth Bridge (as for 2015) and will also determine the squad for our District Cross Country team (9/10 year olds, 11 year old, 12/13 year old)

If you think you can help please let class teachers, the Office or Matt Stella know. Your help would be very much appreciated.

NAPLAN

Naplan is a series of tests undertaken by all children in Year 3,5,7,9 across Australia. There are five tests undertaken over three days in May – Writing, Grammar and Punctuation, Spelling, Reading and Numeracy. All children are expected to complete the tests unless an exemption is requested by families. Should you wish to seek an exemption for your child, please speak with your child's classroom teacher who will organize it on your behalf.

UPCOMING COSTS

- *School Photos
- *Interschool Sport – Year 4,5,6
- * Camp payments

Carolyn Elliot

School Principal



April



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	11 	12	13 Yarra Hills Visit	14 	15	16
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MAY

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School Banking Mondays



Subway orders due back by 3:30pm