Special Points of Interest:

- Lunch Orders will now come from Subway

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Term 1 Dates

29th January to March 25th March

from the Principal ...

School Council

Over the past couple of years, we have had some outstanding School Councillors who have worked alongside the teachers to help shape the needs, goals and aspirations of our community. At the end of last year, Katrin Howes (School Council President), Jenny De Witte and Sheryn Holloway all finished their time at Council and, at Pembroke Primary School. Whilst their impute was very much valued, it is now time to seek new members in what will be a really exciting stage of Pembroke’s history. The commitment is not huge; two after school meetings per term and home in time for dinner. We would really love to hear from anyone interested or if you are not sure, speak with current members– Jenny Knoop, Michelle Kitchener, Caron Haines, Briony Berry and Bree Monks. This is your chance to be part of our Building year whilst doing your little bit to ‘build’ the Pembroke for all.

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.
News from the Principal continued…..

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Student leader presentations will be held on Monday, 15th February the School Assembly. David Hodgett will be in attendance to present each child with their badges. All welcome to attend.

Whilst we are keen to acknowledge that all children are leaders those receiving roles for 2016 are:

School Captains—Mary and Noah

Walling House Captains -

Melba House Captains -

Yarra House Captains -

I.C.T Leaders—Bailey, Ryan and Tom

Community leaders including Junior School Council—Kayla, Bec, Amber

SCHOOL NURSE

The School Nurse will be at Pembroke for her annual visit the week commencing Monday, 15th February. All Prep children have been given information packs and forms to complete and return. If you have a child in Year 1-6 and would like to have the nurse test their overall hearing and sight, please speak with your child’s class teacher who will organise for a form to go home.

METAL TO METAL CHALLENGE

It’s time to tidy up and a chance to get rid of any metal items, whilst also raising funds for the school. The ‘Metal to Metal’ challenge is on again with the large open ‘skip’ being housed in the staff car park. Let’s see if we can fill it this year!
THE BUILDING PROJECT
Our main building currently houses things such as the electrical switchboard, computer server room and main phone line. All of these need to be re-housed prior to Easter when the building will be demolished. Therefore you may notice work being undertaken on the asphalted areas of the school and workmen within the school grounds. Please be aware that these people have all signed in at the school office, been approved either by the Department of Education, the Project Manager or myself and are aware of the needs of our school in keeping all members of the community safe. They also understand the need to minimise disruption as much as possible.

AFTER SCHOOL BASKETBALL
At this stage we only have a few children interested in participating in After-school basketball and are yet to have names of any people who can coach or team manage. Given that the season starts very soon, can we ask that any interested families please let us know as soon as possible.

COMMUNICATION
Parent teacher interviews will be held on Thursday, March 24th. Notices will be going home shortly so that we can provide you with a chance to book these into your upcoming calendar.

At Pembroke we very much value the communication between home and school. If you or your child has concerns, or there is something happening that you think may impact upon your child’s thinking and learning, please speak with the class teacher so that we can be responsive to your child’s particular needs. We will also contact you regularly to ensure that you are aware of your child’s progress, celebrate successes or communicate thoughts.

COMMUNITY NEWS
Family Fun Night—Thursday, 18th February
We would love to see families coming along and sharing in the fun with us. This is a chance to meet the new teachers and families. Bring your picnic blanket and dinner. We’ll see you there 6:30—8pm

Celebrate Mooroolbark Festival—Saturday, 19th March.
Theme for this year is ‘Movie Mayhem’. We’d love to see you at the parade!
Congratulations to the following students.

Grade P/1M  Juvan
Lining up with such pride.

Grade 1/2M  Subhan.
Making a fantastic start at Pembroke Primary School. How lucky we are to have you in our grade.

Grade 2/3C  Alex.
Always showing pride in your work.

Grade 2/3S  Jason
Showing great pride in working on his handwriting.

Grade 5/6B  Tom.
His incredible Pride in his school & passion for leading this year. What a great start to Year 6!

Grade 5/6W  Bailey
The pride he took in his writing & learning his timetables!
STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Feb 1st—Feb 5th 2016
Congratulations to the following students.

Grade P/1M  **Silas**
Wow what a great natural Leader.
Such a Superstar.

Grade 1/2M  **Zoe.**
Sharing all of her wonderful ideas with the class. What a Star.

Grade 2/3C  **Quinn.**
Your positive attitude to learning with a smile.

Grade 2/3S  **Jack**
Showing great listening and always contributing to discussions.

Grade 5/6B  **Darcy.**
Your truly outstanding start to year 5 a real leader in the making.

Grade 5/6W  **Mark.**
The effort, care and detail he put into his ‘This is me’. I now know so much more about you!
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THE LEARNING PIT

Developing resilience in children provides them with a solid foundation to overcome challenges, set goals and deal with setbacks. It also teaches them that making mistakes is a way to learn.

Think about if you drive along a long straight freeway—whilst you still need to think, it doesn't require as much focus as for instance, a bumpy, rocky, road full of pot holes. It may even be that cruise control (if you have it) is put on, requiring even less focus. Whilst it's easy driving, it doesn't necessarily improve your driving skills.

So it is with learning—to learn you almost need to make mistakes or to have things a little harder than you are used to, as this pushes thinking, challenges understanding and develops strategies.

It also teaches you that being slightly uncomfortable in how you feel is ok as this is how we learn. It's about being self-aware, reflective and supported.

The ‘learning pit’ is about having using the word ‘stuck’ in a positive way. It’s about understanding that you don’t know everything and being ok with that. It’s all about jumping into the unknown, understanding how you feel going in, developing strategies and then feeling really proud about what you have accomplished afterwards.

As parents what can you do?
At the end of the day ask “Where did you get stuck today?'

“What did you do to get unstuck?”

“How did you feel going in and how do you feel now?”

“What have you learnt in terms of your learning and What to do the next time you are stuck?”

Share moments when you have been stuck and talk about what you have done. Share how you felt when you were stuck and what strategies you used to help you get out of the pit.

For more information—http://www.devisa-hb.se/thinkingnetwork/FromJames/ChallengingOurStudentsToLearn.pdf
MONDAY IS BANKING DAY.

Community News

Come and play Basketball with Fosters Phantoms Basketball Club

We are looking for players for the Winter 2016 season, starts 1st week of Term 2.
Girls Miniball, U9 & U10 teams play on Tuesday nights.
FIRST SEASON OF MINIBALL IS FREE!
Girls U12 to U21 teams play on Wednesday nights.
All Boys teams play on Saturdays.
All games are played at Kilsyth, Oxley & Lilydale Basketball stadiums.
* All skill levels welcome *
* Experienced Coaches *
* Family-oriented club *
To find out more, send an email to teams.fosters@gmail.com
or call Rob on Mobile 0411 559 245

EFT PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT

Don’t forget we are offering payments by EFT to our bank account. It can be for any excursion/incursion, fundraising, Camps, Parent Payments;

**Bank Details**

**BSB:** 633 000  
**Account:** 132155318  
**Name:** Pembroke Primary School
Don’t forget:
1st Term you need to wear your hat!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW TEACHER
Mr. Sonsini

What is your name?
Mr Tyler Sonsini

What do you like to be called?
Sonna

When is your birthday? 3rd December Age? 30

How Many brothers do you have? 1 Sisters? 0 Pets?0

What do you like to do for fun? Play Cricket, see Movies and play golf.

What do you like about Pembroke Primary School?
How kind everyone is
**What's On Next Week?**

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<td>Today we’ll be playing poison ball, dodge ball, octopus and scarecrow. It'll be plenty fun!</td>
<td>Today we’ll be creating mazes, word searches and I-spy pictures</td>
<td>Cooking Club!</td>
<td>Today we’ll be creating our own board-games and learning some card tricks.</td>
<td>Come along and join the fun. Today we’re playing party games.</td>
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**After The Bell News**

**IMPORTANT:** The grace period for re-enrolment for 2016 ends on 12/2/16, after that, YOU MUST be enrolled for 2016 or Care can no longer be offered, unfortunately.

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**How Cheap Is OSHC?**

Did you know that if you enrol your child into Before and After School Care...

...it can cost you as low as $3.97 per session per child with Government Rebate eligibility!

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**Reminders**

All parents need to sign the Consent and Declaration Variation form on the sign in table.

Remember to bring your hats as we often spend time outdoors.

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**Cooking Club**

Rock Cakes! A sweet treat packed with fruit.

Rock cakes originated in Great Britain, where they are a traditional teatime treat.

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**Joke of the Week**

Q. What goes up when rain comes down?

A. An Umbrella.

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**Kids Corner**

Some of the constructions and games on offer...

Ella was very creative in the kitchen last week and made her scones into some really interesting shapes. Her scone snake was very cool.

Noah and Juvraj showed excellent sportsmanship, leadership and initiative during our down-ball competition last week by taking the time to help Juvan learn the rules of the game and ensuring that he got plenty of practice.

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**Feedback**

We welcome any feedback or suggestion of things that your children are interested in so that we can develop the program to meet the needs of you and your children.

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**Enrolment and Bookings**

We always welcome new faces to Before and After Care! New 2016 Enrolments can be completed online or by downloading a paper version, or you can pick one up at the OSHCare room. Should you need any assistance with the online process, feel free to come and see us and will be happy to help you out with the process.

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**Contacts**

Booking/Cancelation: enrolment@afterthebell.com.au

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Sarah – Program Leader
All orders need to be in by 3:30 Thursday. Please pay cash. No late orders can be taken.

Friday lunch orders will now come from Subway.
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**School Banking Mondays**

**Subway orders due back by 3:30pm**

**School Holidays/**