



News from the Principal

Monday 20th August 2018



Learning with Pride, Passion Purpose and Persistence.

Book Week

This week is Book Week, and as mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are having a dress up day this Wednesday August the 22nd. We would love to see all our students dressed as their favourite book character and to bring their favourite book to share with their classmates. If you need any ideas for simple costumes, please contact your classroom teacher. It could be as easy as a simple hat or prop, or an entire costume - whatever you like! (No plastic weapons such as swords or guns please.)

School Review

Today is the first day of our school review. I am really looking forward to working with the panel to review the strengths and highlights of our school over the past four years, as well as identify areas for future focus. The agenda of the first day of the review includes: attending our school assembly, student focus groups, classroom observations as well as a review of our school performance data and school policies.

Sports Events

Last week, students participated in the Regional Soccer Finals. The team played very well and the competition was a very high standard. Congratulations to all participants.

We also selected a basketball team to participate in the Hoop Time Competition on Friday. All games were very close, with the team only missing out by a few points in each game. Well done basketballers!



School House Athletics

This Friday, all students will be heading to Morrison Reserve to participate in our House Athletics Day. The students will travel by bus, with senior students leaving school at 10am and junior school students leaving at 10.20am. All parents and carers are welcome to attend to watch the events. Students can wear a coloured shirt to represent their house colour or their school uniform. If you are not sure what house your child is in, please contact the office.

Parent Opinion Survey Reminder

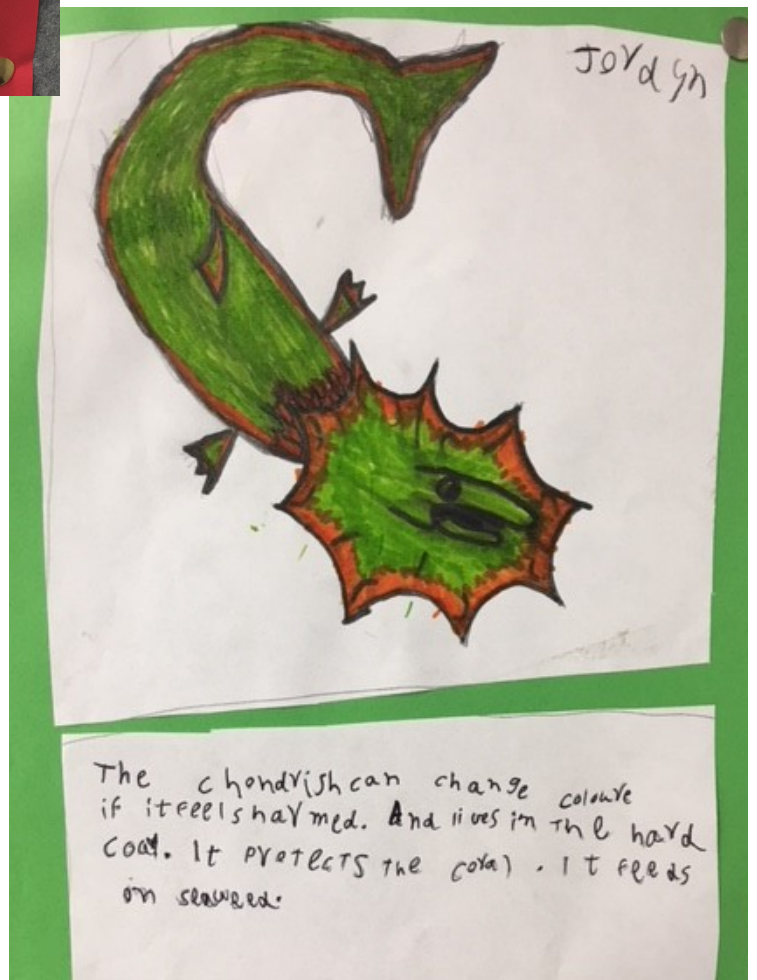
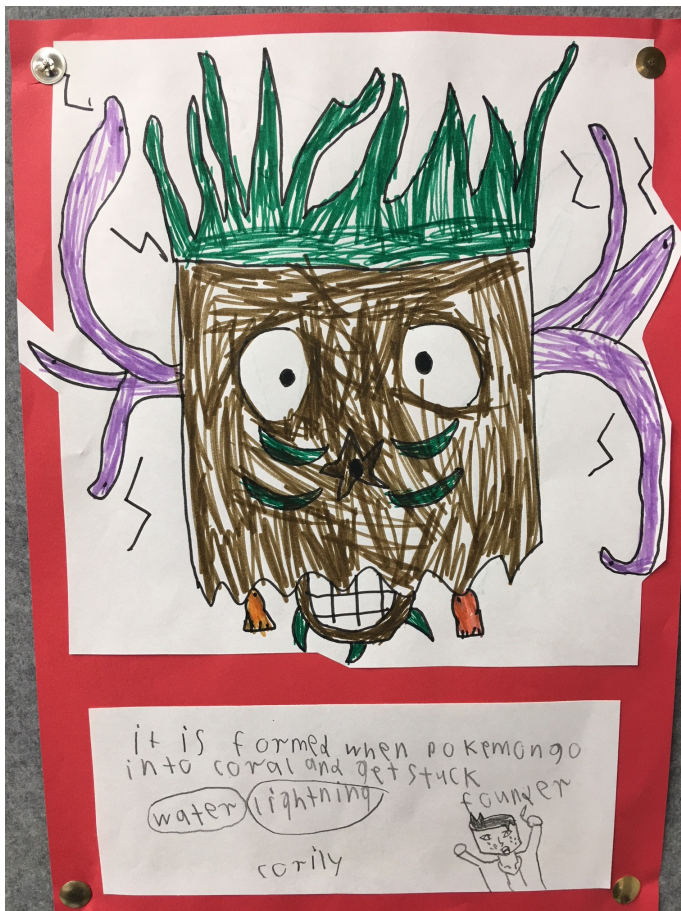
All parents and carers should have received a letter from the school with the login details for our school opinion survey. At Pembroke Primary School, we really value your feedback so that we can continually improve, maximising educational outcomes for all of our students. It would be wonderful to get as many responses as possible. If you don't have access to a computer or other internet enabled device and would like to complete the survey, please ask at the office and we can help you. Irene Lian, our Multicultural Education Aide is also available to help. The survey will close on Sunday, August 26th.

Science Week

Last week was Science Week, celebrated across schools and the Scientific community all over Australia. 2018 is the International Year of the Reef, with a focus on coral reefs and the scientists who study them. As part of our STEM lessons, all students participated in the Virtual Reef Diver Citizen Science project. Virtual Reef Diver is a collaboration between scientists, managers, citizens, data analysts, marine explorers and reef operators working together to record, analyse and predict coral cover on the Great Barrier Reef. In this project, we looked at real photographs of Australian coral reefs and identified different features such as soft and hard coral, algae, sponges and other sea creatures. If you would like to be a citizen scientist, go to: <https://www.virtualreef.org.au>



F/1M created a beautiful display of drawings of a coral reef. 1/2G used collage techniques to compare healthy and unhealthy reef environments and 3/4W created underwater coral reef portholes. 5/6C enjoyed their Science Week activity, creating pokemon characters inspired by the coral reef environment.



Yours in Education

Megan Ganter Principal

The Pembroke 4 P's Award

13th August—17th August

Congratulations to the following students:-

Grade P/1M	<u>Eli</u>	Putting so much effort into his story about Minecraft!
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Grade 1/2G	<u>Brett</u>	Persisting with his work, even when it is sometimes tricky. Well done!
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Grade 3/4W	<u>Ambra</u>	All her persistence during our basketball clinic.
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Grade 5/6C	<u>Isla</u>	Developing well thought out writing plans. Keep up the great work.
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Wow! You're A Worker Bee!

13th August— 17th August

Congratulations to the following students:-

Grade P/1M	<u>David</u>	The hard work he puts into spelling, syllables and rhyming!
Grade 1/2G	<u>Holly</u>	Her excellent work in reading. Well done
Grade 3/4W	<u>Stephanie</u>	Her amazing handwriting skills and fab presentation!
Grade 5/6C	<u>Navia</u>	Her dedication in Maths to show her working out. Well done!

Do you *have a child* starting prep in 2019?
Collect an enrolment form from the office today.

Fathers and Special Persons Day Stall

Do you have any unwanted gifts or items that you would like to donate to our stall? If so, please hand them in at the office.

When: Thursday 30th August

Where: Senior Building

Time: 9.30am and 3.15 pm



Alphabeenies in 2018



Pembroke Primary School is running an exciting Early Literacy program for 4-year olds, with our Foundation teacher!

Core language skills are taught and reinforced weekly, with take home tasks and songs to enable further consolidation at home.

Big kids school, for little kids!

Give your child the write start to school, and help them become an Alphabeenie!

Term three 2018:

July 18th
July 25th
August 1st
August 8th
August 15th
August 22nd
August 29th
September 5th
September 12th
September 19th

All sessions run on Wednesdays from 2.30 to 3.30.



Parents are encouraged to attend these sessions to learn how best to help their child on their future learning journey!

Please call: 9725 6689 if you have any questions or would like a school tour ☺

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 23rd July** to **Sunday 26th August**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Greek, Turkish, Somali and Punjabi.

Please contact the office for log on ID and passwords, or if you would like more information.



Money and Notices Due Back

School banking is now on Tuesdays.

Library sessions every Tuesday.

Book swap every Thursday after school.

Collect your 2019 Enrolment forms from the office.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
19	20	21	22 Book Week Dressup as your favourite book character Alphabeenies	23	24 House Athletics Day	25
26	27 Regional Tee Ball	28 School Council Meeting 7pm	29 Alphabeenies 2.30—3.30pm	30 Fathers and Special Persons Day Stall	31 Footy Day Lunch	



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4 5/6 Camp	5 5/6 Camp Alphabeenies 2.30—3.30pm	6 5/6 Camp	7 5/6 Camp	8
9 Literacy Week District Aths	10	11	12	13 Production	14	15