Principal’s Report

Welcome back to Peninsula Specialist College for 2013. I extend a special welcome to our new students and their families.

**AEU Stop Work Action**

On Thursday the 14th February 2013 the Australian Education Union has called on its members to stop work for 24 hours. Members of our teaching and support staff are participating in this action and as a consequence we will not be able to run any programs for our students on the day.

Parents of all students are asked to make alternative arrangements for the care and supervision of their child on the day of the stop work action. Subsequently no transport is provided for the day.

**School Council Elections**

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council for Peninsula Specialist College. Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4pm on Friday 22nd February 2013. The ballot will close at 4pm on Friday 1st March 2013.

Following the closing of nominations a list of nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

- **Parent member number of positions:** 6
- **DEECD employee member number of positions:** 3

The Disabled Surfers Association on the Mornington Peninsula is running disabled surfing events on Saturday February 9 & March 2, 2013, 9am – 1pm at Point Leo Surf Life Saving Club. A free BBQ lunch for all attending is provided. To register your interest in attending, please contact Ashley on 0417362983.

Peninsula Specialist College provides many valuable programs at considerable costs and we ask all parents to make requested additional payments for such programs in a timely fashion.
I would like to remind all parents who drop off and pick up their children at school to sign the students in & out at the front office. The students will make their way to and from the classroom independently or supervised by a staff member. Thank you for your cooperation.

The newsletters are also available via our Peninsula Specialist College website. Please go to the website and have a look at www.peninsulaspecialist.vic.edu.au

Have a great weekend

Peter

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Class 7 have had a great start to the year.

We would like to welcome two new students and their families to Peninsula S.C, James A and James B. We hope you enjoy your time at our school. We also welcome Thomas R from the Juniors into the Senior area of our school.
It has been a fantastic start to the year in Class 12. We are right into the swing of school work learning about the Chinese New year, mountains of the world, working on our times tables and making delicious smoothies! Believe or not, students are actually doing homework! Exercise is also an important part of our routine that we are performing every other day which brings a smile to our faces!
ART STUDIO

Sea Mural – Hand Printing
ART STUDIO

Mask Making – Casting Plaster – Bandages on Chicken wire

Textiles – Mask Making
Class 10 have had a brilliant start to the year! We are all getting to know each other while learning a lot. We have been learning about TRUST and performing trust exercises. Well done everyone!
Class 8 have had a brilliant start to 2013. A special welcome to our new classmate Jeremy; our new teacher Jodie (Fridays) and our new staff member Jane!