



# The Brief

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### This Week:

- 21/11 – Kindy Orientation 2013 BBQ.
- 22/11 – School Spectacular.
- 22/11 – Yr 6 Transition – BHS Concert.
- 22/11 – Skellybones.
- 23/11 – School Spectacular.

### Week 8:

- 26/11 – Swim Scheme starts (all week).
- 27/11 – Leadership Development program for Year 5 students.
- 28/11 – BHS Maths Challenge.
- 30/11 – Enrichment Application Due.

### Week 9:

- 3/12 - Swim Scheme continues (all week).
- 4/12 - 9.30am Leadership Speeches for Year 5.
- 5/12 – Year 6 Fun Day.

### Week 10:

- 10/12 - Parent Helpers Morning Tea.
- 11/12 - Luna Park Year 6.
- 12/12 - BHS Presentation Night P&C/SC.
- 13/12 - Presentation Day.
- 14/12 – K-2 Movie/Picnic Day.

### REMINDER OF MONEY DUE

- 6/12 – Stage 2 Party Day \$18.
- Now – School Spectacular. Limited availability.
- Now – Aboriginal Art Class.
- 10/12 – K-2 Movie Day.

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 7

Dear Parents,

#### Helicopter

As you know, our proposed helicopter visit on Friday was cancelled at the last minute. This was due to a refuelling issue that delayed the helicopter leaving Williamtown. We were all disappointed, but I was very impressed with the mature way our students responded to the news. With our busy timeline between now and the end of the year and the Navy's many commitments it seems unlikely that we will be able to find another suitable time for the

visit this year. The Navy are however very keen to support us and are looking for possible opportunities. Obviously I will keep you informed of future developments.

#### Kindergarten Connections

We are looking forward to welcoming many of our new kindergarten families as well as our current kinder families to school this evening for our kindergarten connections barbeque. Our celebrity chefs (Mr Guest and I) are looking forward to turning out some delicious snags from the bbq so make sure you come hungry! This is a great opportunity for new families to meet some of our current families and begin to build some connections with the school.

#### Intensive Swimming Scheme

Our learn to swim program commences next week. The students involved will attend Swansea pool each day for two weeks to learn some valuable swimming skills as well as having fun.

#### Help Your Children Enjoy Reading

How do you make reading a joy and not a chore for your child? One way is to find information and interesting facts about things that intrigue or interest your child in books, magazines or on the internet. Read and talk about what you find out. Here are some other tips:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/ten-ideas-to-help-your-child-with-reading>

#### When Your Teen's New Best Friend is a Bad Influence

Best friends are a key part of adolescents' lives. But what do you do when you suspect your child's best buddy is a bad influence? Experts discuss different approaches.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/behaviour/when-your-teens-new-best-friend-is-a-bad-influence>

Thank you.

David Robson

Principal

#### Thought for the Week

You are confined only by the walls you build yourself.

~Unknown

## **SPORTS NEWS**

### **Term 1 2013 Sports Nominations**

- Students currently in Years 2-5 will receive a nomination form this Friday to be returned on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November with no money required. Each grade will have their own collection box outside the library from 8:40am through to 9:00am and the first notes returned will take preference. The 'Year 6 of 2013' box will be collected and recorded first, followed by 'Year 5 of 2013' and so on. The reason Year 6 students get the first allocation of spaces in their chosen sports is because this is their last opportunity to participate in primary sport and they have had to wait for their turn at getting in the first allocation.
- **Your payment will secure your place in your chosen sport (due Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2012).** If you do not pay by this date or contact our office to enquire about other arrangements, your spot will be offered to other interested students from Yr 6, then Yr 5, then Yr 4 or then Yr 3.
- A permission note will be sent home at the end of Week 8 (by 30<sup>th</sup> November) to confirm what sport your child is placed in. This note will outline the details specific to your child's sport.
- If you know you will be absent on Friday, please see Miss Hibberd before then to get your form. School Spec performers received their notes today.

### **Good Luck at Trampolining Champs!**

This Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November, a group of keen Floraville students will compete in Trampolining Championships at Belmont High. Good luck and we hope you all enjoy the experience!



**Saturday  
November 24  
9am–1pm**

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**The Salvos,  
360 Pacific H/Way  
Belmont Nth**

**. Car wash . sausage sizzle .  
Bake sale . + more .**

**Car lot \$20  
To book and more details  
phone 0410319303**

**COME BUY, COME SELL**

## **A Few reminders for BUS Passes for 2013**

- All students moving from Year 2 to Year 3 in 2013 will need to complete a new blue application form as they must now meet eligibility criteria.
- All students moving from year 6 to Year 7 in 2013 will need to complete a new blue application form as their eligibility criteria changes even if they are still at the same school and on the same campus.
- Any student who has changed address or will be changing address before they return to school in 2013 should complete a new blue application form showing the new address for the pass to be processed.

All blue application forms are to have the students CLASS YEAR circled and clearly marked 2013

**BANKING CHAMPIONS – 2/3J**

**MATHLETICS – KF**

**ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 5E**

**LEXILE CHAMPION – Gabrielle Macready.**

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

#### **Lexile Legend**

Congratulations to this week's Lexile Legend, Gabrielle Macready of 2C.

#### **Lexile Awards**

Congratulations to Gabrielle Macready of Year 2 and Kate Spicer of Year 6 who both received Bronze Star Awards (100 points).

Congratulations also to 3B who received last week's Class Lexile Award.

#### **Library Borrowing**

In readiness for stocktake, this will be the final week for borrowing from the library. As of next week all books will need to be returned.

#### **Special Note for Lexile Readers**

You will be able to borrow 1 Lexile book at a time while stocktake is taking place.

### **P & C NEWS**

- The P and C have conducted a review of the price of our uniforms and a number of items will increase in price in 2013. The new price list is now available on the school website.
- The P and C will holding a Christmas raffle in conjunction with Carols on the Green. If anyone would like to donate an item for the raffle there is a box in the school office.
- The final Scholastic Book Club will be going home today and the orders need to be in by Friday 30 November.

### **CANTEEN NEWS**

#### **Roster**

- **Thurs 22/11** – Sandy Green, Lee-Ann Lentfer, Narelle Masson, Sally Brown
- **Fri 23/11** – Amy Bates, Sarah Soewarno
- **Mon 26/11** – Dylan Burt, Lily Harris, Jodie Horton
- **Tues 27/11** – Katrina Halls, Lisa Wardle, Meredith Wright, Neridah Jackson
- **Wed 28/11** – Sharon Robertson, Louise Grozdanovski, Lisa Booth