



The Brief

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IMPORTANT DATES

Week 10

- 10/12 – Presentation Day
- 10/12 – Infants Assembly 2.15pm
- 10/12 – Students reports sent home
- 11/12 – K-2 Movie day
- 11/12 – Primary Assembly 12.20pm

Week 11

- 14/12 – Whole School Assembly 2.20pm
- 14/12 – Awards Ceremony 1.40pm
- 14/12 – Year 6 Farewell Dinner
- 16/12 – Last day of term

REMINDER OF MONEY DUE

- Book Packs
- Year 6 Farewell

RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 9 TERM 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

So often this week the comment has been made "Where has this term gone?" Perhaps not just this term but the whole entire year! At the end of today though, we are well and truly on the countdown, only 5 days to go (for students). Sorry teachers, we have 7 ☹. In true Floraville style, those final days are shaping up to be epic.

Already this week we have celebrated:-

A Parent Helper Morning Tea

It was lovely to be able to acknowledge the valuable and ongoing support we receive from our school community volunteers. Many of our parent and grandparent helpers were present on Monday to share in a morning tea with our teaching and office staff. The staff and I are truly grateful of the time and effort put in by our community helpers. If you were unable to make the morning tea, I also extend my sincere appreciation to you. For some, it will be the end of a Floraville era as their children or grandchildren move onto high school next year.

Thank you to Mrs Blake and our Support Learning Officer staff who helped to organise the morning tea. Thank you to the entire staff for your kind donations for the catering.

The Infants Athletics Carnival

Yay! The weather was fairly kind to us yesterday and we were able to hold the K-2 sports carnival. After the traditional march past, the students were straight into the activities. Each of the 12 stations provided fun and engaging events for the students to participate in. Once again, another team effort by our Infants staff, Learning and Support staff, RFF staff, Librarian and parent volunteers. A special mention to Mrs Fox and Mrs Gu for their overall organisation of the carnival. Congratulations everyone!

Tonight we were meant to celebrate:-

Carols on the Green but it has been CANCELLED

Due to the severe weather warnings for this evening, the Carols on the Green has been CANCELLED.

Even despite its cancellation, thank you to Miss Strong, Miss Clarke, Miss O'Friel, Mrs Gibson, Mr Faulkner, Mrs Robertson (P&C) and the Carols Committee for their efforts toward the event.

Tomorrow we celebrate:-

Presentation Day

Thursday marks a very special event on the yearly calendar where we can recognise the efforts of our students across many fields of endeavour. The day will include three separate award ceremonies:

- Infants from 9.30am to 10.30am
- Primary from 11.15am to 12.15pm
- Major Awards from 12.30pm to 1.30pm

Parents of the children who are receiving an award at one of these ceremonies should have been notified via a postal letter. Also during the Major Awards ceremony our School Leaders for 2016 will be announced.

Thank you to Mrs Magann (Office Manager) and Mr O'Shannessy for their tireless efforts in making sure Presentation Day is well organised and runs seamlessly.

Final Infants Assembly for the Year

The final K-2 fortnightly assembly will still be held in the regular Thursday afternoon timeslot of 2.20pm. A selection of Kindergarten students will be our eager hosts.

Reports Going Home

Reports are scheduled to go home tomorrow.

On Friday we celebrate:-

Final Primary Assembly for the Year

The final 3-6 fortnightly assembly will be held in the regular Friday timeslot of 12.20pm. Class 6B will be hosting.

Next week we celebrate:

The Year 6 Farewell and Year 6 Clap-out

Monday evening will be high on the calendar list of our Year 6 students as they attend their Farewell dinner at Valentine Bowling Club. On Wednesday afternoon at 2.40pm, the whole school will be able to say their final goodbyes at the traditional Year 6 Clap-out held under the COLA. Look forward to seeing you all there.

Thank you,

Jenny White
Relieving Principal

Thought for the Week

"We often take for granted the very things that most deserve our gratitude." ~Cynthia Ozick

ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 2F

This week's virtue is **TOLERANCE**

Being tolerant is accepting differences. You don't expect others to think, look, speak or act just like you. You are free of prejudice, knowing that all people have feelings, needs, hopes and dreams. Tolerance is also accepting things you wish were different with patience and flexibility.

SPORT NEWS

Primary Sport

Primary sport nominations were collected last Thursday. If your child has not yet handed it in, please hand it in to the office. Students will receive notes on Friday for the sport they will do in Term 1.

It is the last day of sport on Friday. I hope everyone has had an enjoyable term with their chosen sport!

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

James' Wall

I'm sure everyone has noticed some amazing new art work at school. Over the past two weekends a great deal of time and effort has been put into designing and creating a wall in memory of our friend James Collins. We would like to acknowledge the work of Geordie Scott, Reigan Allen, Sam Day and Daniel Vidori, some of our past students who were responsible for creating our Super Hero mural.

SWIM SCHEME

We have had a fantastic two weeks at swim scheme. The weather has been very kind to us and the children have enjoyed getting in the water every day. The teachers have been amazed to see the improvements the children have made. We have had students floating and swimming for the very first time, while others have been having stroke correction, learning water safety and swimming further than they ever have before. Congratulations to all of the students who have participated in the swim scheme program and we hope you continue to enjoy practicing your new skills over the summer.

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Books

All library books, including those being read for Literacy Pro, need to be returned by Friday. If any books that have gone missing throughout the year haven't been recovered, a note will be sent home early next year, with an option to replace these books.

Thanks for your support in returning all books.

CANTEEN

Canteen News

A huge thank you to our volunteers who helped canteen with the Infants Sports Carnival, without your support the children would not have the luxury of a canteen at their carnivals, so THANK YOU. ☺

COMING UP

SPECIAL HOT DOG DAY – Friday 11th December ONLY – one day special available to order for both breaks until sold out! Only \$3 and can be ordered online or over the counter!

Thursday 10th December – PRESENTATION DAY– Canteen will be CLOSED.

Friday 11th December – LAST DAY OF CANTEEN FOR 2015

Mon 14th, Tues 15th, Wed 16th December – Please be aware that the canteen **WILL NOT** be open for lunches the last 3 days of term. Canteen will be closed for cleaning in readiness for 2016!

Roster

Thursday 10/12 – PRESENTATION DAY – CANTEEN CLOSED!

Friday 11/12 – Amanda Jackson, Megan Garland, Kate Lonergan, Kristie Davies, Sarah-Jane Crofts

CLEANING DAYS

Monday 14/12 – Rachael Searle, Jenny Davies, Amanda Jackson

Tuesday 15/12 – Michelle Ponman, Tracey Aspinall, Susan Moloney

Wednesday 16/12 – Kay Gibson, Meegan Nicholson, Christine Mitford, Kylie Face

BANKING NEWS

Banking Champions – KB

Saver Awards go to Charlotte James 1N and Lachlan Wenke KB. Banking returns 4th February 2016.

P&C News

We take this opportunity to wish Year 6 students all the best as they move on from Floraville, to the next stage in their lives. We are sure that each of them has a bright future ahead of them.

The P&C wish all Floraville families a very Merry Christmas and a safe holiday. See you all in 2016.

UNIFORM NEWS

Donation of light blue polos - Long & Short sleeve - The P & C will be donating all unsold polos new and used to Jirsch Sutherland Advisors in Newcastle, who make twice yearly trips to Vanuatu schools to donate items such as uniforms and other school supplies. If you have any light blue polos in good condition, please bring them into the school office or uniform shop for donation by the end of February 2016.

Last day of uniform shop for the year will be Wednesday 16th December and will then reopen on Wednesday 3rd February 2016. Uniforms can be ordered via email: fpsuniform@outlook.com

Thank you