



The Brief

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IMPORTANT DATES

Week 5

- 10/11 – Debate Division 1 - 9.30am
- 11/11 – Remembrance day 11.30am

Week 6

- 14/11 – Whole School Assembly 2.20pm
- 17/11 – Yr 5 Buddy Training Day 9am
- 17/11 – Infants Assembly 2.20pm
- 18/11 – Primary Assembly 12.20pm

Week 7

- 21/11 – School Leadership 2017 speeches and voting
- 21/11 – Yr 6 Sexuality & Relationship Education night 6pm
- 21/11-25/11 – School Swim Scheme
- 22/11 – Kindergarten 2017 Orientation 9.15am
- 23/11-24/11 – School Spectacular rehearsal
- 25/11-26/11 – School Spectacular performance

Week 8

- 28/11- 02/12 – School Swim Scheme
- 28/11 – Whole School Assembly 2.20pm
- 29/11 – Kinder Connections Picnic 5.30pm
- 01/12 – Yr 6 Luna Park Excursion
- 01/12 – Infants Assembly 2.20pm
- 02/12 – Primary Assembly 12.20pm

REMINDER OF MONEY DUE

- Year 2 Swim Scheme - \$62 (21 places left)
- Year 6 Luna Park excursion - \$50 due
- Year 6 Interrelate Sexuality and Relationship Education - \$30 per family
- Band & Aerobics Fees **overdue**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 5 TERM 4

Responsible Students

When students attend overnight excursions or events out of school, sometimes the Principal receives a phone call or an email from a member of the community commenting on the students' behaviour. When our students leave the gate, they leave as our ambassadors, wearing their school uniform, with the school emblem, as representatives of Florville. There are two types of phone calls the Principal receives – sometimes positive, sometimes negative. While our students consistently demonstrate excellent behaviour at school, it is encouraging to know that the same standard is maintained when they are out of the school. Recently, I received a letter from the Lutanda campsite where our Year 3 students attended last term. The camp manager noted,

We found your students willing to participate in all aspects of the program and they displayed great commitment and purpose during the camp. Their manners and behaviour were exemplary, being a credit to your school.

In addition, thanking Mrs Hadden and the staff for their organisation,

We appreciate all the effort taken in planning your program and organising your group – the success of the camp was a credit to their effort.

Bravo, Florville!

Staffing Update

Two permanent teacher appointments have been made to commence at the beginning of 2017. Miss Casey Clarke was the successful candidate following a recent merit selection process, while Mrs Kylie Davies has been appointed as an Aboriginal scholarship holder. Miss Clarke has been teaching at the school for a number of years in a temporary capacity and was delighted to accept the permanent position. Mrs Davies recently graduated from Newcastle University and will bring a wealth of knowledge from other roles she has undertaken in NSW Public Schools over the last 12 years. Congratulations to both teachers. Further information on teacher recruitment can be found at www.teach.nsw.edu.au/.

Remembrance Day

Mrs Fester has been working with our student leaders in the planning for Remembrance Day. While ANZAC Day holds particular significance in Australia, students in schools around the world will pause on the 11th November for a minute's silence as a mark of respect for those who have died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts. This year marks the 98th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18). With senior students out of school for sport in the morning, the school will be holding a brief ceremony at 11:30am under the COLA.

Simon Mulready
Principal



This week's virtue is **COMMITMENT**

Commitment is caring deeply about something or someone. It is deciding carefully what you want to do, then giving it 100%, holding nothing back. You give your all to a friendship, a task or something you believe in. You finish what you start. You keep your promises.

LIBRARY NEWS

Literacy Pro

Congratulations to Lillian Zhao-Wilson KB, Indianna Ponman 1L, Zac Anderson 3B, Gemma McNamee 3B, Kelly Brown 3L, Keiley Hensby 3L, Connor Halpin 4C, Lara Moore 5/6B and Blake Priest 6F who all received Blue Star Awards (25 Literacy Pro points).

Congratulations Olivia Bell 2C, Abbey Hutton 3B, Harper Wall 3B, Matthew Mulvaney 3H, Alice Macready 4C, Mitchell Vico 4M and Molly Lewis 6P who all received Red Star Awards (50 Literacy Pro points).

Congratulations to Lara Kennedy 3B, Harper Wall 3B, and Alice Macready who all received Bronze Star Awards (75 Literacy Pro points).

Congratulations to Aiden Wood 4B who received a Gold Star Award (100 Literacy Pro points).

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

OOSH Update

A tender process is currently underway for the school's OOSH (Out of School Hours) contract, with an engagement being offered for the next five years. Next week the selection panel, (including two P&C representatives) will review the applications and assess the merits of each against the selection criteria. The community will be notified of the successful applicant in the coming weeks.

School Swimming Scheme

During Weeks 7 and 8 of this term (21st Nov. to 2nd Dec.) Year 2 students are given the opportunity to participate in the Department of Education's Swim Scheme. Children who cannot swim or who cannot confidently swim 25 metres, are a priority in the program. While this program targets weaker swimmers we encourage all Year 2 students to participate. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to improve in all aspects of swimming. With summer just around the corner we need to ensure our children are safe. The cost includes daily entry to the pool and bus fare. Swimming tuition by Department of Education trained teachers is FREE. If you wish your child to participate in this life saving activity please return your note and money to the office as soon as possible as it is a case of first in first served and we have a limited number of positions available.

Many thanks,
Shantala Roach

Specialty Group Photograph

Group photos are on display in the school office, orders can be made online. Details for ordering are below:

Floraville Public School Specialty Group Photographs

Specialty Group Photographs are available online.

Any orders received by Friday 11th November will receive FREE delivery to the school if pick up option is selected during online ordering.

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P&C NEWS

Calendar Art has all been sent away and we expect them to arrive back and distributed out to the children in approximately 3 weeks. I can't wait to see the final products.

The P&C would like to thank Kylie Feeney who has, with the help of the office staff organised the Entertainment Book fundraiser this year. Also, a thank you to Kelly Woodger for the work she has done with bookclub again this year. Your efforts over many years has been greatly appreciated.

CANTEEN NEWS

Coming Up

Kindergarten 2017 Orientation Morning Tea

Christmas Lunch Bag Specials start

Sausage Sizzle Ring Pull Reward Day -Whole School

Kindergarten 2017 Morning Tea

Tuesday morning 22nd November Floraville Public School canteen and P&C will be holding a Kindergarten 2017 morning tea for parents and visitors.

We are looking for volunteers & donations of cakes, slices etc. If you are able to help with either of these please return your note to the canteen.

Roster

Thursday 10/11 – Trish Oakey, Suzanne Halpin, Nicole Hooper

Friday 11/11 – Kelly Woodger, Amanda Steadman, Kristie Davies

Monday 14/11 - Jenny Davies, Alka Gertsch, Kristie Reid

Tuesday 15/11 – Tracey Aspinall, Michelle Ponman, Diane Stringer

Wednesday 16/11 – Kay Gibson, Meegan Nicholson

BANKING NEWS

Banking Champions - KG

Banking is every Thursday

UNIFORM NEWS

Open Wednesday 2.30-3.15pm