



# The Brief

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Week	Date	
5	9/11	Year 5 Buddy Training
6	13/11	Yr 3 Camp Morisset Whole School Assembly 2:15pm
	14/11	Yr 3 Camp Morisset School Spectacular Rehearsal Sydney
	15/11	Debating
	16/11	Kinder 2018 Orientation 9:15-10:30am Infants Assembly 2:15pm
	17/11	Primary Assembly 12:20pm
<b>Reminder of Money Due:</b> Year 2 Swim Scheme \$70 Band Fees – <b>OVERDUE</b>		



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 5 TERM 4

### Mathematics Champion

Hunter Football Stadium is normally the venue for sporting champions, but last week it played host for the presentation ceremony of the Newcastle Permanent Mathematics competition. We have a number of students with a passion for mathematics, but this day belonged to Tom Breasley. Tom was presented with a certificate and cash prize for his achievement as a district winner for our local area. The school undertakes a range of strategies to cater for student ability in mathematics, and participation in elite competitions is important in this area. We are certainly proud of Tom for his success.

### Citizenship

I was delighted to hear back from the Great Aussie Bush Camp about the excellent behaviour and participation of our students at this year's camp. One of our teachers also commented that it was the best group she's ever taken. Walking round the school this morning, our students' citizenship is also on display in a show of support for the McGrath Foundation and Pink Stumps Day. Students (and teachers) are dressed in array of pink, with our Year 6 students currently on the sports field, leading small groups in various cricket activities. On Friday, next week, students will be reminded to show their care and concern for our planet as we hold a *Nude Food Day*. For this occasion, students will be encouraged to bring food to school with no packaging.

### Leadership

On Monday this week, Mr Faulkner led Year 5 students through a leadership training program, in preparation for their roles in Year 6. Students are looking forward to supporting kindergarten students, as *kinder buddies* in 2018. Next week, students will also consider nomination for the roles of School Captain, Vice Captain and Prefect. Our student leaders for 2017 have done a terrific job.

To provide **excellence & equity** in education, empowering students as creative, confident **learners** and active, informed **citizens**

## Finally

Public schools in NSW are fairly tight-knit communities. This morning our thoughts and prayers are with the students, staff and families of Banksia Road Public School, with the tragic incident that took place yesterday.

Simon Mulready  
Principal



This week's virtue is **HUMILITY**:

Being humble is considering others as important as yourself. You are thoughtful of their needs and willing to be of service. You don't expect others or yourself to be perfect. You learn from your mistakes. When you do great things, humility reminds you to be thankful instead of boastful.

## OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

### Kindergarten 2018

The Kindergarten orientation process is almost complete. The last session for the children is Thursday 16th November. As a way of welcoming new parents to our wonderful school, the P&C has traditionally provided the new Kinder parents with morning tea on this day. If you are able to contribute a small plate of food it would be very much appreciated. Please take it to the canteen when you arrive at school. Thank you very much to the canteen workers, uniform shop ladies and all the people who help to make the orientation process a success.

Jenny Barclay

### National Recycling Week & Nude Food Day

Next week is National Recycling Week (13– 19 November). Planet Ark founded National Recycling Week in 1996 as a community education and media campaign. The aim is to bring a national focus to recycling and the broader themes of minimising waste and managing material resources.

In support of National Recycling Week, Floraville Public School will be encouraging staff and students to participate in a Nude Food Day on Friday 17th November. Help your child pack a healthy lunchbox that is waste-free and avoids all unnecessary packaging and wrapping. Now is the perfect time to discuss with your family The 3Rs: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and how you can do this in your household. This will reduce the amount of rubbish that goes into the bins and that pollutes our planet.

For more information on recycling and waste-free lunchboxes visit <http://recyclingweek.planetark.org>



## **P&C NEWS**

The November P&C meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday night, 14 November 2017 commencing at 6.30pm in the library. At this meeting, among many other items, we will hold final planning details for the Christmas Carols event, we will discuss upgrades to the bottom playground and will be provided with a general school update from Mr Mulready. Please feel free to come along and have input.

Speaking of Christmas Carols, these will be held on Wednesday 13 December 2017 between 5.45pm and 8pm. It is primarily a P&C run event so we will require additional parental help to assist on the night. Further information will be distributed once details are confirmed at next week's P&C meeting.

Today, the P&C were delighted to welcome Pat Conroy MP and his staff to school to inspect the school hall in advance of its air-conditioning upgrade. Mr Conroy and the P&C were also fortunate to hear how well the school band performs.

Bryan Garland - President

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## **CANTEEN NEWS**

### **Coming Up**

16<sup>th</sup> Nov – Kindergarten 2018 Orientation and Morning Tea

27<sup>th</sup> Nov – End of year canteen dinner

27<sup>th</sup> Nov – Christmas Lunch Bag Specials start

29<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 6 Fun Day

4<sup>th</sup> Dec - RED DAY!! Special Ice-cream Day

### **Kindergarten 2018 Morning Tea**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November Floraville Public School canteen and P&C will be holding a Kindergarten 2018 Morning Tea for parents and visitors.

We are looking for volunteers & donations of cakes, slices etc. If you are able to help with either or both of these please see Margaret in the canteen.

### **Monday Night 27<sup>th</sup> November – Canteen Christmas Dinner Get Together**

If you have volunteered your time to the canteen in any way or at anytime during 2017, we would love for you to join us. Please place your name on the list in the canteen if you can come.

### **Red Day – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Red Day this term Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December we will be having a Special Ice-Cream Day! These will be a choice of either a Golden Gay Time, Golden Gay Time Unicorn, Oreo Cornetto, Paddle Pop Bionic Bubble Gum or Paddle Pop Shaky Shake. 1 order form per child & limit of 1 (one) ice-cream per child. Forms and money to the canteen for this special treat by:

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.**

### **Roster**

**Thursday 9/11** – Trish Oakey, Suzanne Halpin, Nicole Hooper

**Friday 10/11** – Kristie Davies, Amanda Steadman, Shannon Keefe, Sarah Soewarno

**Monday 13/11** – Kristy Reid, Clare Stark, Peta Warland

**Tuesday 14/11** – Lauren Highfield, Aleisha Hastie

**Wednesday 15/11** – Margaret, Katie Budden, Vivienne Tindall,  
Sharon Robertson (pm)

## **BANKING NEWS**

Banking is every Thursday.

## **UNIFORM NEWS**

Open Wednesdays from 2.30-3.15pm.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP IN 2018.**

Pre-order 2018 uniforms to avoid missing out! We are unable to receive stock from suppliers between mid December and late February. Orders can also be made by email: [fpsuniform@outlook.com](mailto:fpsuniform@outlook.com)