



The Brief

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Week	Date	
2	26/7	School Discos – Infants 5-6:15pm Primary 6:30-8pm
	27/7	NAIDOC Day NAIDOC Assembly 2:15pm
	28/7	Aerobics Cake Stall Primary Assembly 10:15am Macquarie Cup Netball 12-3pm Macquarie Cup Soccer 12:05-3pm Windale Rugby League Cup 12:30pm
3	1/8	Stage Public Speaking Finals ICAS English 9:15-11am
	2/8	Year 4 Camp
	3/8	Year 4 Camp
	4/8	Macquarie Cup Netball 12-3pm Macquarie Cup Soccer 12:05-3pm Windale Rugby League Cup 12:30pm

Reminder of Money Due:

Year 4 Excursion – **OVERDUE**

Macquarie Cup Soccer – Term 3 payment **OVERDUE**

Band Fees **DUE**

Notes due: Background Information Note



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 2 TERM 3

Kindergarten 2018

At the end of this week, the school will be mailing out information for families of students enrolling in kindergarten for 2018. The first kindergarten information event is scheduled for Tuesday 29 August. We are anticipating four kindergarten classes again for 2018. If you have yet to enrol your child for next year, please contact the office this week to help with school planning. This will also help us in determining how many places are available for students who do not live within the school zone. At this stage, some non-local placements are still available. The school website now includes a brochure for families who are inquiring about enrolment.

http://www.floraville-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/documents/10196310/10202483/school_brochure.pdf

NAIDOC Day

Our school Aboriginal Education team have been busy preparing for this week's NAIDOC Day. While nationally, NAIDOC Week is held in the first full week of July each year, schools hold their own NAIDOC Day during school term. The Day provides an opportunity to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements and to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country and our society. At our afternoon assembly (2:15pm), we will be welcoming a number of significant members of the Aboriginal community, including Aunty Laurel Williams, Mrs Roselea Newburn and Mr Nolan Simon. The assembly will include a didgeridoo performance from some of our former students, currently studying at Belmont High School. All are welcome to attend.

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

Australian Sports Foundation <https://asf.org.au/>

At this week's assembly, Mr Bryan Garland, President of the P&C, presented students with over \$1000 of new sporting equipment, donated by the Australian Sports Foundation. The School P&C had applied for a grant through the Foundation for a variety of new sporting items, including balls, skipping ropes and cricket kits. The equipment will be of great value in promoting sport and fitness and will support the implementation of the Department of Education's Wellbeing Framework.

<https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing>



Fundraising - Update

As noted in last week's newsletter, a number of fundraising initiatives are running for the first three weeks of term. Students are looking forward to tonight's disco, as well as the cake stall, planned for Friday. Proceeds from the disco will support our students participating in Schools Spectacular, later this year, while the cake stall is being run to support the school aerobics teams. I know the girls have been busy baking cakes at home and creating posters to display around the school. Next week, the Student Parliament are holding a charity fundraiser, supporting Beanies for Brain Cancer

Finally

On Friday afternoon, last week, I went to visit our school netball and rugby league teams as they competed in local competitions. The students are delighted at the opportunity to represent our school and consistently demonstrate good sportsmanship. The games are well supported by the parents and family members who attend. Many thanks to the teaching staff who organise these teams each week.

Simon Mulready
Principal



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

Diligence is working hard and doing your absolute best. You take special care by doing things step by step. Diligence helps you to get things done with excellence and enthusiasm. Diligence leads to success.

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week and Grandparents Day – Week 5

We will be holding our annual Book Week and Grandparents Day celebrations on Thursday 17th August. Students are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or perhaps get inspired by this year's official Book Week Theme 'Escape to Everywhere'.

It will be a whole day celebration beginning with our Book Character Parades in the morning and followed by literature inspired art and craft activities in classrooms for the remainder of the day. More specific details to come closer to the day. We'll also be holding a Book Fair on the day.

Be sure to get all Grandparents and friends to save the date.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Wow! It's been a great week for the Premier's Reading Challenge. Congratulations to Olivia Purcell KF, Alana Moore KG, Jaide Feeney 1B, Jarrah Locking 1F, Lucas Oakey 1B, Caleb Ure 1LC, Taleana Gibson 2L, Isabella Sarich 2CJ, Amy Oakey 3H, Hollie Purcell 3H, Matthew Kerr 3/4C and Hannah Kerr 5/6K who have all completed the 2017 Premier's Reading Challenge. 53 students have now completed the challenge.

All Floraville Public School students are invited to participate in the 2017 Premier's Reading Challenge. The aim of the challenge is to 'encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature.'

The challenge needs to be complete by Friday 25th August.

Overdue Library Books

There are currently a large number of overdue library books. Students received overdue library book notices on Monday. It would be a huge help if they could be encouraged to return these books ASAP.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Kindergarten 2018

The first orientation session for parents of children starting Kindergarten in 2018 will be held on Tuesday 29th August at 7pm in the school hall. Come along and find out about the programs our school offers. Learn about L3, our Virtues program and how to help your child have a successful start to school life. Meet the experienced staff and become familiar with some of our school routines. Tea and coffee will be available and staff will be able to answer all of your questions. If you haven't already enrolled your child please see the office ASAP. Dates for further sessions for the children are on the school website.
Jenny Barclay

100 Days of School

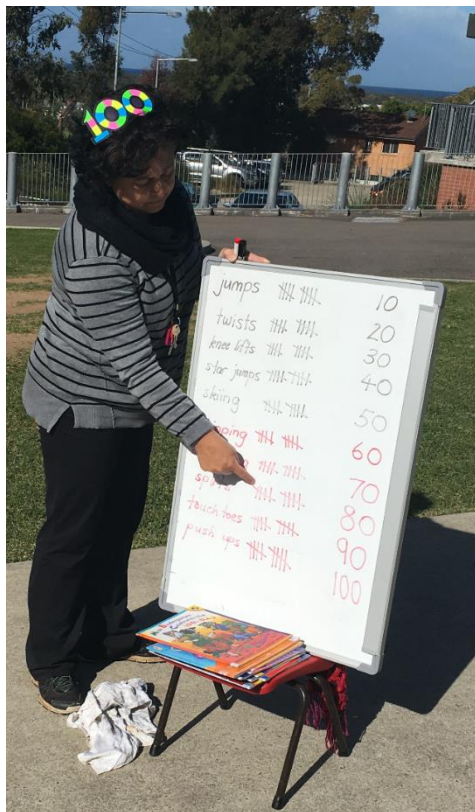
Yesterday was Kindergarten's 100th day of being at school. We celebrated this milestone last Friday with a fun filled day investigating the number 100 and learning how numbers form patterns. We discussed how we've probably read 100 books, learnt to read 100 sight words and best of all, made 100 new friends!

Our focus for the day was counting to 100 in different ways. We made crowns with 100 stickers or stamps on them and read "Miss Bindergarten celebrates the 100th day". For sport we counted and tallied our ten lots of ten exercises until we had finally completed 100 exercises.

Each child was asked to bring 100 things from home in a snap lock plastic bag. We had toothpicks, beads, paper clips, coins, pasta, pebbles and many more imaginative ideas. We now understand what 100 looks like.

It was a wonderful day and we are looking forward to the next 100 days of school!

The Kindergarten teachers



Woolworth Earn & Learn

Floraville is again excited to be taking part in the 2017 Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you.

From now until September 19th 2017, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These

stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school or you can drop them into your local Woolworths collection box.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at school.

Speak Out

At Floraville Public School, public speaking is highly valued and since the end of Term 2 our students have all been participating in “**Speak Out**”, our public speaking program. Explicit lessons in speech structure, language features and presentation support the students in preparing their own speeches for an audience. This program aims to tap into background knowledge and encourage blending the known with the new. Class competitions are now being held, with one student being selected to represent their class in the Stage finals.

Stage finals will be held in our school hall on Tuesday, 1st August, 2017.

9.30am – 11.00am – K – 2

11.30am – 1.30pm – 3 – 6

Notification for parents of the class representatives will be sent home. All welcome to attend.

Best of luck to all our students as they “Speak Out”.

P&C NEWS

At Monday’s school assembly, I was pleased to present to the school a range of sporting equipment that the P&C successfully secured after submitting an application earlier in the year to the Australian Sports Foundation. The donated equipment includes new netballs, basketballs, cricket equipment, kicking tees and skipping ropes. We thank the Australian Sports Foundation and Spartan Sports for their donation.

Last week the P&C submitted an Expression of Interest (EOI) to our local Federal Member, Mr Pat Conroy MP under round 3 of the Stronger Communities Programme (SCP). The SCP is a \$22.5M investment by the Australian Government to help fund small capital projects in each of the 150 Federal electorates. Our EOI sought partial funding to contribute towards a suitably sized air conditioning unit to service the school hall. As most will know, the school hall is used for a variety of school and non-school activities. Our EOI will be considered and if successful, we will be invited to submit a full proposal to the SCP committee for their further consideration.

The Canteen Committee held a sub-committee meeting on Monday. At this meeting, we discussed:

Healthy food competition that commences 7 August. Further details will come home shortly;

Grandparents Day;

Healthy School Canteen Strategy.

A couple of reminders:

Book club orders are due back to the front office by Monday 7 August. Orders should be placed in an envelope, with correct cash payment or cheque made payable to Scholastic Australia, enclosed. For convenience, credit card payments can also be made online to Scholastic Australia.

The P&C supports this Friday’s cake stall which will raise money to support our school aerobics teams compete later this term on the Gold Coast. Donations of cakes and biscuits on Friday would be most welcome and very much appreciated.

50th Anniversary commemorative tea towel / calico bag orders are due back to the front office by Friday 4 August. All proceeds will go toward new bubblers at the flat.

Entertainment books are still available. See previous newsletter editions or contact me.

Like the P&C Facebook page. Facebook search “Floraville Public School P&C”.

Bryan Garland - President

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CANTEEN NEWS

In keeping with the Healthy Schools Canteen Strategy, we are currently working towards amending our everyday menu. As this happens slowly, we ask that you please be patient whilst we make this huge transition and we will endeavor to keep you informed as much as possible during this process.

Coming up

Fresh for Kids Healthy Food Competition – 7/8/17-22/9/17

Grandparents Day - Thursday 17th August

Roster

Thursday 27/7 – Kate Lonergan, Tracey Aspinall, Di Stringer, Kylie Feeney

Friday 28/7 – Corinne Cheung, Amanda Jackson, Aleisha Hastie Emma Kay (am),
Nicole Degan (am),

Monday 31/7 – Rachael Searle, Melissa Eastham

Tuesday 1/8 – Meredith Wright, Jennifer Thompson, Yvonne Smith

Wednesday 2/8 – Amanda Steadman, Kristie Davies

BANKING NEWS

Banking is every Thursday.

Welcome Back to term. It's hard to believe this year is going so quickly!

It was great to see 68 of our students return to banking last week. Well done to KF for being our class champions for last week. Let's see if we can creep our numbers up close to our 100 goal again!! Every deposit counts not only to your child's reward tally, but commission to the school.

Our latest commission statement was received for Quarter 2 and The Commonwealth Bank have paid us \$299.86 which is \$44 more than the same period last year. So thank you to everyone for their banking efforts. It shows that we are making terrific progress in our banking each week. Don't forget that new accounts will also pay \$5 from the bank as well. The accounts are fee free so if you are thinking of a new account for either your child or younger sibling please follow this link for more information <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html>.

Our commission goes towards resources for our library.

Term 3 sees new reward items added to the selection. Your child can now choose the new Smiley Emoji Keyring or a Volt Handball along with the current rewards (while stocks last). Notes will come home shortly if your child is due for a reward. A new competition will also commence on 14th August.

Don't forget you can track your child's progress on the new Youth App. The link above will also provide further details.

One last thing! A big thank you to Bree Perkins for coordinating banking last week along with our wonderful and loyal mum volunteers Erin Griffiths, Michelle Ponman and Donna Timmins. Our volunteers are valued and much appreciated. We would love to see any new volunteers at banking this week. Counting money is all that is required and children are welcome! 9am Friday in the uniform shop.

Happy Banking!

UNIFORM NEWS

Uniform Shop Open Wednesday 2.30-3.15pm

Good for Kids good for life

WHY DOES OUR SCHOOL HAVE HEALTHY EATING AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PROGRAMS?

Good nutrition and physical activity improves students' concentration and behaviour and boosts school performance.

Below are some examples of strategies schools are implementing to promote healthy eating and physical activity:

- Crunch&Sip® – a daily fruit, vegetable and water program
- NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy – revised canteen strategy replacing Fresh Tastes @ School
- PE lessons have a focus on developing students fundamental movement skills
- Students have access to physical activity equipment during breaks
- Teachers have been trained in the Live Life Well @ School Program
- Teachers are regularly incorporating healthy eating and physical activity into their lessons



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