



# The Brief

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Week	Date	
10	27/9	Year 3 Camp K-2 Assembly (2MD) 2.10pm-3pm
	28/9	Primary Assembly (4B) 10.20am-11am Soccer Cake Stall 11-11:30am
TERM 4 Week 1	15/10	Students Return
	18/10	Kindergarten 2019 Orientation Session 9.15am-10.30am

## Reminder of Money Due:

Year 5 Camp 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment \$100 due Thursday 27/9  
Year 6 Canberra final payment \$130.00 due Thursday 27/9  
Term 4 Primary Sport due Thursday 18/10  
Year 5 Camp final instalment \$100 due Thursday 25/10  
Band Fees – Term 3 payments **NOW OVERDUE**



## PRINIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 10 TERM 3

### Global Citizens

A great story has been building at Floraville over the last few weeks. Having undertaken an environmental study in the classroom, the students of 5NR were appalled at the negative impact of plastic straws. Determined to do something about it, they wrote letters to the P&C, the student parliament, the canteen and myself, asking for plastic straws to be banned. Written with conviction and an effective, persuasive style, their letters hit the mark, with a decision made by the canteen committee to remove the plastic straws from the school. I was delighted to drop in to 5NR this morning and share the good news (Henry tells me he's now going to become a lawyer). The students will now be able to sign up the school to the *Straw no More* campaign, and join thousands of others around the globe who have committed to this cause. A great outcome for the school, and also the environment. Congratulations to the students of 5NR – global citizens of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.  
<https://www.strawnomore.org/> <https://bit.ly/2zuwzz2>

### Bring Back the Books!

Term 4 will commence with a bang at Floraville in a few weeks, with a new opportunity for students to *Bring Back the Books!* Each class will be challenged to read as many books as possible, with students recording the books they have read on a class book-o-meter (giant thermometer). Book reviews, prizes, and a whole-school *read-in* are all planned for next term, as we seek to promote a joy and love for reading. Watch this space!

### Health Canteen Initiative

This morning I met with members of the canteen committee as they prepare an update for the canteen menu. The canteen has been working with a representative from *Good For Kids, Good for Life*, as they seek to enhance the healthy food choices available. Some items, including finger buns, will no longer be on the menu, while others, including crispbread, with cheese and tomato, will become available. If you would like opportunity to contribute to decision making for the new menu, come along to the next meeting of the P&C. The canteen is seeking to comply with the new requirements for healthy school canteens. <https://healthyschoolcanteens.nsw.gov.au/>



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

## Silver September

It has been heart-warming to see students brining in their coins for the *Silver September* initiative in support of Australian farmers who are suffering from the drought. Mrs Phillip spoke with me about a letter one of our students had written to the farmers earlier in the year. She said the volunteers were so touched by what she had written, they were brought to tears. One of the real privileges of working at Floraville, is seeing our students develop qualities of character. The values and virtues they bring from home, and then develop further in the classroom and the playground, are the building blocks of Australian society. Excellence, integrity, compassion and care – it is such a pleasure to watch our students grow as young citizens.



## Finally

Safe travel and happy holidays to all families during the school break. Students return to school on Monday 15 October.

Simon Mulready  
Principal

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

Integrity is living by your highest values. It is being honest and sincere. Integrity helps you to listen to your conscience, to do the right thing, and to tell the truth. You act with integrity when your words and actions match. Integrity gives you self-respect and a peaceful heart.

## SPORTS NEWS

### Macquarie Cup Netball Grand Final

Last Friday, our Junior A netball team played in the Grand Final against Eleebana. The game was a thriller and ended at 5 goals each, going into extra time! Eleebana took out the title 7-5. The girls should be extremely proud of their efforts this season which got them to the Grand Final.

Our Senior A team were up against St Mary's in the Grand Final. They lost to a strong St Mary's team 24-10. The girls have improved as a team throughout the season and should be proud of themselves for making it to the Grand Final.

Our Junior B and Senior B teams deserve a special mention for their improvement this year and we hope to see you trying out for the school teams again next year! Thank you to all the girls for their sportsmanship all year and to parents and carers for their support.

Miss Brindley

## OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

### Debating

Congratulations to the Debating Team, Tobi Eeles, Lachlan Maddocks, April Brackley, Alice Macready, Anika Mulready and Krystal Lee Oxby, who have come away with another win. This time they were successful in taking out the victory against a highly competitive Elmore Vale PS. As this was the final round in the Lake Macquarie Train On Debating Competition, the students were very pleased to end on such a positive.

Hosting the debate, we could have a large audience and hopefully, the team has inspired some of our Year 4 and 5 students to join Debating in 2019.

Mrs Roach



## Year 7 Selective High School 2020

The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 14 March 2019**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2020, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from mid-September 2018 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>. The application website opens at that link on **9 October 2018** and closes on **12 November 2018**. **You must apply before the closing date.**

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 9 October 2018.

If you are intending to apply for a placement, please return the intention form to your child's class teacher. Please note that the note is simply to inform our school about your intentions for 2020. The applications need to be completed online, using the above web address.

## CANTEEN NEWS

### Roster

**Thursday 27/9** – Kylie Feeney, Rebecca Pearce, Alissa Baker, Sam Sorensen

**Friday 28/9** – Amanda Steadman, Kristie Davies, Megan Garland, Kellie Christian

### Roster Term 4 Week 1

**Monday 15/10** – Kristy Reid, Clare Stark, Kylie Wells, Peta Warland

**Tuesday 16/10** – Racheal Searle, Melissa Eastham

**Wednesday 17/10** – Katie Budden, Vivienne Tindall, Sharon Robertson

## P&C NEWS

A reminder that the forms and payment for this year's Calendar Art is due to be returned to the front office by Thursday 1 November 2018 (no time extensions available). Viewing of artwork will be available during Week 1 and Week 2 of Term 4.

Bryan Garland - President

[fpspresident@gmail.com](mailto:fpspresident@gmail.com)

## BANKING NEWS

### Banking is every Thursday

We need your help, since having to change banking counting day from a Friday to a Thursday, we have lost some of our lovely parent helpers due to other commitments. It would be greatly appreciated if we could receive some extra helpers on a Thursday as some of our current mums have canteen commitments at the school on Thursdays. Counting begins after school drop off and The Uniform Shop is where we meet. Thank you.

Well done to 10 for being class champions last week, 10 wonderful students sent their banking in from 10 which was an amazing effort.

Thanks to Kylie Feeney, Leana Suffell and Gabby Darabi for their wonderful help.

Sandy Green

## UNIFORM SHOP

Open Wednesdays 2:30pm – 3:15pm

Volunteers are required, if you can spare an hour once a month, please let me know.



## SUMMER SWIM CLUB

Tuesday 23/10/18

Jamie's Swim School - 141 Floraville Rd Floraville

**\$110 1<sup>st</sup> Swimmer** incl one parent membership

**\$90 Sibling Swimmer**

**Under 7 FREE**

Registration Afternoon 21/10/18 from 4.30pm at Jewells Tavern or Swim Club Night

Swim Night - \$5 - TUESDAY 7PM Start

First few nights at JSS then HOPEFULLY we'll move to Speers Point Swim Centre

ALL swimmers that qualify and swim championships receive a trophy and gift

EVERYONE is welcome, training preference is YOUR CHOICE