



The Brief

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Week	Date	
1	18/10	AFL Clinics (Yrs 3, 4, 5) Kindergarten 2019 Orientation Session 9.15am-10.30am
	22/10	Boys PSSA Soccer Knockout Finals Bandfest 22/10 – 26/10 Whole School Assembly 2.10-3pm
2	24/10	Year 6 Canberra 24/10 - 26/10
	25/10	AFL Clinics (Yrs 3 ,4 ,5) K-2 Assembly (1/2G) 2.10pm-3pm
	26/10	No Primary Assembly



Reminder of Money Due:

Term 4 Primary Sport due Thursday 18/10
Year 5 Camp final instalment due \$100 Thursday 25/10
Band Fees – Term 3 OVERDUE - Term 4 now due

PRINIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 1 TERM 4

A Mouse in the House

Geronimo Stilton was the star attraction at Monday's assembly for the launch of Bring Back the Book. While Mrs Southward explained the competition, the cheeky mouse danced around the hall and gave high-fives to students. While there are a lot of Geronimo Stilton books in the library, it was great to hear of some of the other favourite books that students like to read. The whole assembly enjoyed Mrs Southward's reading of Seriously, Do not Open This Book. Before disappearing back down his hole, Geronimo took the oath, with students, and promised to read every day. Our reading challenge continues for the first four weeks of term – we'd love for you to be involved.

<https://floraville-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/news/2018/10/bring-back-the-books.html>

We Want Your Feedback!

As a school, we are committed to a process of continuous improvement. Our vision is for excellence and equity in education, and each year we carefully reflect on our programs to see where we can improve. Teaching and learning is our core business and our School Plan guides our improvement journey. Parents and carers are invited to complete a confidential online survey to contribute to school decision making. Please take the opportunity to have your say:

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/survey/splash/6jdzzy>

Process: How to Raise a Concern

From time to time parents and carers may have a specific concern they would like to raise with the school. The concern may relate to their child's wellbeing or other particular learning needs. The first step is to arrange to speak with the child's class teacher. As well as responsibilities for class teaching, our teaching staff have other accountabilities before and after school. To ensure their availability, it is best to make an appointment to speak with the teacher. This can be done by calling the office or sending an email to the school. When a concern has been raised with the teacher and requires additional support, the Assistant Principal may become involved. An Assistant Principal leads each of our Stage teams, as noted in the table, below. The Deputy Principal manages the day-to-day running of the school, while the Principal manages whole-school operations and performance. Both the Deputy and Principal are available to assist students and families where there is a need beyond the initial support provided.

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

Finally

Next week, I will be travelling to Sydney with the boys' soccer team for the Finals of the State Knockout Competition (Monday). I will also be joining Year 6 on their three-day excursion to Canberra (Wed-Fri).

Simon Mulready
Principal



Assistant Principal	Early Stage 1	Jen Barclay
	Stage 1	Casey Bowd
	Stage 2	Carly Erich (Mon, Thurs, Fri) Ryan Cox (Tues, Wed)
	Stage 3	Adam O'Shannessy
Deputy Principal	Jen White	
Principal	Simon Mulready	

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

Cleanliness means washing often, keeping your body clean, and wearing clean clothes. It is putting into your body and your mind only the things that keep you healthy. It is staying free from harmful drugs. It is cleaning up mistakes and making a fresh start.

SPORTS NEWS

Primary Sport

Primary students doing a paid sport this term (Tennis, Aerobics, Water Polo, Water Activities or PCYC Activities), your note and money is due to the front office by this Thursday 18 October. If you don't pay on time, your spot will be offered to the first person on the waiting list.

AFL

We are delighted to inform you that Floraville has been successful in applying for Term 3 and Term 4 'Sporting Schools' grants! We have allocated part of this funding to a new and exciting weekly AFL clinic for students in every class across Years 3, 4 and 5. The program runs every Thursday afternoon during our PE lessons for Weeks 1 - 4 [i.e. 18 Oct, 25 Oct, 1 Nov, 8 Nov]. Each class will have a 50min session. The AFL clinic will be facilitated by instructors from AFL NSW and includes a range of fun activities and games to develop students' fundamental movement skills and game-sense. As outlined in the note handed to Years 3, 4, and 5, Year 5 students will need to wear their PE uniform on Thursday in Weeks 1- 4 (concluding on 8 Nov) for the temporary change to your routine.

PSSA Soccer State Knockout Finals

Next Monday 22 October our Boys PSSA soccer team will be playing in the Finals of the State Knockout competition in Sydney. It has been a number of years since Floraville has had a team compete at this high level. We wish Mr Mulready and all the boys, the very best and hope you come home with the trophy.

PSSA Girls Touch Football

Last term, the girls' touch football team travelled to Newcastle City Touch fields to play in the initial rounds of the PSSA State Knockout touch football competition. Unfortunately we lost to Hamilton South Public School. Despite the wet weather conditions, our girls were enthusiastic, full of spirit and were excellent representatives of Floraville Public School.

A big thank-you to our parents for supporting us with transport and cheers from the sideline. Well done girls.

Miss Gee

LIBRARY NEWS

'Bring Back The Book' Reading Challenge

During the first 4 weeks of Term 4, students will be participating in a special 'Bring Back the Book' Reading Challenge. This will hopefully serve as a reminder that in our busy worlds, reading is key to success and can also be a source of enjoyment. There will be two key components to the challenge, a Grade Challenge and an Individual Challenge.

Grade Challenge

Classes compete against other classes in their grade, with the winning class being the class who has read the most books in the 4 week period.

Students will record books they've read on a 'Bookometer' (like a thermometer but it measures books read) which will be on display in each classroom.

Individual Challenge

Students will be given a reading ideas sheet which will hopefully give them some interesting and inspirational reading suggestions. When a student reads either 1 chapter book or 4 shorter reads they are then eligible to complete an entry and go into the draw to win a \$50 Book Club voucher. Entry forms are available in all classrooms or in the library or at the end of this document if you'd like to fill them out at home. Entries will need to be taken to the library and put in the entry box.

At the end of each week, 4 infant's students and 4 primary students will win a \$50 Book Club voucher, randomly drawn from the completed entries. The more books read, the greater the chance of winning. Books can include home readers and can also include books read to a student. Note: Only books read within the 4 week period can be included; Beginning on Monday 15th October and ending on Friday 9th November.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Southward in the library. Louise.southward@det.nsw.edu.au

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Year 3 Camp to Gosford

Despite the cooler weather, our Year 3 students travelled to the Active Ed camp facilities at Mangrove Mountain in week 10 of last term. It was the first time most of the students had been on an overnight excursion and also a debut for Floraville P.S students visiting the Mangrove Mountain site.

Mr Cox, Mrs Melling, Miss Brindley and Mrs Hadden appreciated the excellent behaviour, team work, consideration and cleanliness of all the students who attended. They were great representatives of F.P.S and the teachers were impressed with the camp facilities and staff also. Students engaged in an adjusted program due to weather; replacing raft building (a wet activity) with fencing, where the students learnt the origins of fencing in the French language. Other activities included rock climbing, archery, giant swing and the flying fox. We hope the students enjoyed this experience.



OPAL CARDS

School student applications for 2019 open from Monday, 15 October 2018.

Students progressing to year 3 and year 7 **do not** need to re-apply if they:

- are continuing at the same school
- are residing at the same address
- have not been sent an expiry notification from Transport for NSW

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

If students need to update their information or re-apply, they should go online to

<https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>

Applications need to be submitted before 31 December 2018 to ensure student entitlements are updated and their current entitlement/card is not cancelled. If their application is submitted after 31 December 2018, the system will automatically cancel a card and a new one will need to be issued.

Students in the Opal network applying for a SSTS or Term Bus Pass entitlement for the first time will receive their card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out during December 2018 and January 2019.

CANTEEN NEWS

We hope everyone had a lovely break and welcome back to a very busy term 4.

There will be a new menu coming home soon, please take note of price changes and items removed to stay in line with the Healthy Food Guidelines.

Roster

Thursday 18/10 – Sally Brown, Kathy Campbell, Sandy Green

Friday 19/10 – Amanda Jackson, Corinne Cheung, Sonia McCumiskey, Sue Mannix

Monday 22/10 – Barbara Camps, Trish Lembke.

Tuesday 23/10 – Meredith Wright, Yvonne Smith

Wednesday 24/10 – Kristie Davies, Amanda Steadman

BANKING NEWS

Banking is every Thursday

Welcome back to Term 4. We have some terrific new rewards this term, they will be hot items so get in quick for your reward! This term The Commonwealth Bank have added:



Slushie Maker Cup & Zoom Flying Disc. All other rewards are still available with the exception of the Secret Scratch Pad.

Reward letters will be sent home shortly. As always, we are in need of volunteers to help count money on Thursdays. Counting takes place in the uniform shop from 9am. We would love to see some new faces as we have lost some volunteers due to the change of counting day.

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.

SWIM CLUB

Valentine Torpedoes would like to invite you to their GO Swim Day to celebrate everything great about swimming. This will be an opportunity to have some fun racing against your friends and the clock. Get involved in Australia's most popular Olympic and Paralympic sport! The club BBQ and canteen will be open! All ages welcome. No need to RSVP...just turn up!

Date: Friday 19 and Friday 26 October, 2018

Time: 6:30pm

Location: Valentine Indoor Heated Pools, 1A St Johns Road, Valentine, 2280 what to bring: Swimmers and a fun attitude.

Contact: Zoe Humphrey (0416 808328)

Please contact Zoe Humphrey on (0416 808328) if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you there.

St Luke's Uniting Church's
47th annual
CARNIVAL

NARLA ROAD, BELMONT NORTH

SATURDAY, 27TH OCTOBER 2018

More than 25 stalls & activities

8am: *Bargain Basement *Plants *Hot Food/BBQ *Coffee
9am: *Home Cooking *Pre-loved Clothes *Quilts
*Cafes *Kid's Games *Books *Homecrafts
*Pre-loved Toys *Christmas Puddings



Live entertainment

- * The Marching Koalas
- * Maori Culture Group
 - * Waltz-Sing Matildas
- * Valentine PS Band
- * Glue Dance Studio
- * Belmont Christian College Choirs
- * KC Dance HQ
- * U3A Ukulele Group
- * Belmont High School Drumline

Plenty to eat and drink

BBQ, Nachos, Snacks, Coffees, Scones, Milkshakes & Desserts

Rhema FM - live broadcast all day!

Art exhibition and sales

Friday, 26th Oct: 4pm - 7pm
Saturday, 27th Oct: 9am - 2pm
*Huge variety from local artists
*Lucky door comp to win an original framed painting

Lots of fun for the kids

- *Lucky Dips *Jumping Castle
- *Face Painting *Hoopla
- *Games and activities

Community Displays

Classic cars & more



Mobile EFTPOS and Credit Card Facilities Available



Making Disciples. Making a Difference.



SUMMER SWIM CLUB

Tuesday 23/10/18

Jamie's Swim School - 141 Floraville Rd Floraville

\$110 1st 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

