



The Brief

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Week	Date	
3	31/10	Year 5 Kindergarten Budding Training 11.30am-1.30pm
	1/11	Colour Run 1.40pm-3pm Primary Sport 9.40am-10am
4	4/11	Belmont High Transition for selected Year 6 students 9.15am-10.35am
	4/11 - 6/11	Year 5 Camp
	6/11 - 7/11	State PSSA Athletics
	7/11	Infants Assembly 1/2G 2.15-3pm
	8/11	Primary Sport 9.40am-10am Primary Assembly 3F 12.20pm-1pm
Reminder of Money Due: Year 6 Party Day Luna Park payment \$60 due Thursday November 14 Band Fees are now due		



RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 3 TERM 4

Learning Support Team (LST)

Our LST meets regularly. Members of our LST include executive staff, learning and support staff, as well as the School Counsellor.

The prime function of our LST is to ensure that the needs of all students in our school are being met. Our team employs a strong focus on systems (what we can do to support our teachers) and practices (what we can do to support our students).

At any point in time, a student may experience difficulties with learning or face challenges with their emotional or social wellbeing. These difficulties may vary in cause, nature, intensity and duration.

In their daily contact with students, classroom teachers are usually the first to identify students who require additional support and will often engage the services of the LST. When this occurs, the classroom teacher would also consult with you about their observations or concerns.

Similarly, should you ever have concerns about your child's learning or wellbeing needs, it is important that you make a time to discuss these with your child's teacher. In following up, the teacher may refer on to the LST for advice or request provision for additional support.

An LST meeting is routinely held with parents when significant intervention from the LST occurs. For example, when School Counsellor assessment occurs after parent permission is given. Such meetings can occur at any time throughout the year. In weeks 7 & 8 of this term, our LST will be holding specific meetings with parents regarding the transitioning needs of identified students for 2020.

Home School Liaison Officers

Home School Liaison Officers (HSLO) are employed by the Department of Education (DoE) to monitor school attendance and to provide a supportive resource for students, parents and schools.

Their role is to encourage regular school attendance of all students at school. When there is attendance difficulties, they work with the school in an attempt to resolve them.

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

Our HSLO meets with an executive member up to three times per term, to discuss students who are falling below the DoE 90% attendance benchmark. They generally monitor poor or unexplained attendance patterns.

A reminder that it is a legal requirement to explain all student absences promptly. Partial absences (arriving late or leaving early) also require an explanation. An explanation is easiest given by replying to the SMS message sent out on the morning of absence, or in writing upon your child's return to school.

The school is legally required to follow up on any unexplained full or part days leave after 2 days of continuous absence. In this instance, your child's teacher will often phone to make sure that all is well and offer assistance, if required.

If you have concerns about your child's attendance at school, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Canberra Excursion

An early morning start on Monday, saw seventy Year 6 students and 4 teachers head to Canberra for 3 days of adventure in our nation's capital. With several planned activities, I am certain that their excursion will've been both very enjoyable and worthwhile. Year 6 are expected to return this evening at approximately 5.30pm. Please refer to Facebook for any updates about arrival times.

Yr 5 Buddy Training and Kindergarten Orientation

Year 5 students will undertake Buddy Training tomorrow (Thursday 31), learning how to best assist the Kindergarten children starting in 2020.

Year 5 will then be able to meet and greet their buddy at the next Kindergarten orientation session on Thursday 14 November.

A reminder to parents that buying gifts for the new Kinder students is not encouraged, as your child will be hand making something to give with their teachers during class.

Great Aussie Bush Camp

Year 5 are in for loads of fun when they venture away next week to Great Aussie Bush Camp. Enjoy the experience and we look forward to a full report on your return.

State Athletics Championships

Good luck to Stevie Botham, Bella Jones and Logan Ferguson, who will be competing at Homebush next Wednesday and/or Thursday (6/7 November). I am confident that you will put in a great effort!

Please refer to the sport section for further information on their events.

Colour Run

Looking forward to loads of fun this Friday!

Jenny White

Deputy Principal

This week's virtue is **SELF-DISCIPLINE**:

Self-discipline means self-control. It is doing what you really want to do, rather than being tossed around by your feelings like a leaf in the wind. You act instead of react. You get things done in an orderly and efficient way. With self-discipline, you take charge of yourself.

SPORT NEWS

Interested Year 2 Aerobics Students

Students in Year 2, who are interested in trying out for an aerobics team in 2020 (when they will be in Year 3), will be invited to attend primary sport over two or three weeks this term. This is the time when Nicole auditions the 3-5 students for next year. Interested students will first take a note home this Friday, which outlines the commitments and requires a parent or carer signature to allow them to audition.

NSW PSSA Athletics

This year we have three students competing at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival at Homebush, representing Floraville and the Hunter PSSA. Stevie Botham will compete in the 200m and Long Jump, Logan Ferguson will compete in the 100m and 200m, and Bella Jones will compete in the Senior Girls Shot Put. We wish them all the very best of luck!

PSSA Girls Touch Football

Last Friday, our girls took on Hamilton South PS in the 6th round of the PSSA Touch Knockout. The girls gave it their all in the horrendous heat, but Hamilton South came away with a 4-0 win. I am so proud of their persistence, sportsmanship and strength that was displayed today.

It has been an absolute pleasure to coach the girls this year. Thank you for being lovely little legends! Many thanks to the parents and grandparents, who came out to support our games. We couldn't have done it without you!

Miss O'Friel



OTHER SCHOOL NEWS



Debating 2019

What a way to finish the debating year, two great wins! Last Thursday our debating group consisting of, Mila Gal, Sydney Allen, Scarlett

Halpin, Mia Searle, Charlotte Richards, Akira Wall, Charlotte James, Mason Wood, Julian Egan, April Brackley and Andrea Battye, travelled over to Boolaroo PS to compete in a Gala Day. We competed in three debates against Swansea PS, Windale PS and Pelican Flat PS. The teams were successful in bringing home two wins against Swansea and Windale, only narrowly missing out on a win against Pelican. The topics were tough but we gave it our all. Well done, debaters!

Mrs Roach



KINDERGARTEN 2020



The Kindergarten orientation process is almost complete. The last session for the children is Thursday 14 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 have helped to make the orientation process a success.

Jenny Barclay



Only 2 days to the Colour Run

What an amazing response we have had so far from our Floraville PS community for our fundraising effort.

There is still time to set up a profile and gain sponsorship by sharing your profile online with friends and family. You can also receive cash sponsorship, which will be due back to the front office by Friday 8 November. Be sure to fill in the back page of the colour brochure, including child's name, nominated prize and if they also have cash and online sponsorship.

Remember to wear light coloured clothing for the colour run on Friday, like a white t-shirt and bring an old towel along for the trip home.

Please return the yellow permission note if you would like your child to participate. Like any school event, your child can only participate if they have your permission.

Thank you to those who have offered to volunteer on the day. As this is a first time event for Floraville, we will be holding a safety briefing for all volunteers in the uniform shop at 12.30pm on Friday. You will need to attend this and have a current Working With Children Check in order to volunteer.

Thank you to Deborah James and Sandy Green from our fundraising committee for all of your hard work coordinating this fundraising event.

Bryan Garland

P&C President

CANTEEN NEWS

If your child orders a 2nd break lunch order, please remind them to come to the canteen to collect it.

They DO NOT go to the classes.

As the weather is getting hotter, please be aware that if your child wants to buy an Ice Block, the prices are from \$0.30 to \$2.00.

Coming Up: Thursday 14 November Kinder Orientation 2020 Morning tea. Donation forms will go home.

Monday 2 December Christmas Dinner, Belmont Yacht Club. Leave your name on the form in the canteen. Carols 10 December

Roster

Thursday 31/10 – Kristie Woodward, Amanda Steadman, Lynette Cummins

Friday 1/11 – Erica Pedonese, Kristina Love, Lisa Booth, Samantha Sutton

Monday 4/11 – Renae Picton, Alison Johnson, Alison Banek

Tuesday 5/11 – Eileen Jackson, Marilyn James, Christine Jones

Wednesday 6/11 – Courtney Porcovich, Michelle Gray, Lynette Cummins

BANKING NEWS

School Banking is each Thursday. We missed our kindy classes due to their excursion. We had 37 deposits. Well done 2L for being our class of the week!

Thank you to parents volunteer Donna Timmins and Leana Suffell. We need more volunteers so if you have 45 minutes to spare, please feel free to join the team at 9.15 AM in uniform shop. Thank you

Gabrielle Darabi

Banking Coordinator

UNIFORM SHOP

Open Wednesdays 2:30pm – 3:15pm

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

Cass Keeping

Uniform Shop Coordinator

Good for Kids good for life

TIPS TO HELP KIDS EAT VEGGIES



ADD TO EVERY MEAL

Sand on sandwiches/wraps



Offer cut up veggies as snacks



Fill half the plate with veggies



ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD

Show them you like eating veggies too



Add veggies to food they already like



Be positive and patient. It takes 10 to 15 times to like a new food



TRY A VARIETY

Fresh, Frozen, canned, raw or cooked



Different colours



Buy in season

EAT MORE VEGETABLES and fruit

Vegetables and Fruit taste great and keep us healthy. Everyone should eat Fruit and veggies every day. Most kids eat Fruit each day but they don't eat enough veggies.*

*Australian Bureau of Statistics (National Health Survey, 2014-15)



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