



# The Brief

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Week	Date	
3	16/5	NAPLAN
	17/5	Walk Safely to School Day NAPLAN catch up Writing Macquarie Cup Soccer 12pm-3pm Macquarie Cup Netball 12pm-2.30pm Primary Sport 1.40pm-3pm
4	20/5	Whole School Assembly 2-15pm-3pm
	20/5-21/5	NAPLAN
	22/5-24/5	NAPLAN CATCH UP
	23/5	GRIP Conference Cake Stall for State Boys Soccer Girls Soccer K/O Trial 1pm-2.30pm Infants Assembly (1A) 2.15pm-3pm
	24/5	Primary Assembly (6P) 10.20am-11am Macquarie Cup Soccer 12pm-3pm Macquarie Cup Netball 12pm-2.30pm Primary Sport 1.40pm-3pm
Reminder of Money Due: Macquarie Cup Soccer 2nd Instalment \$50.00 due Thursday 27 June Macquarie Cup Netball 2nd Instalment \$55.00 due Thursday 27 June Band Fees are now due		



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 3 TERM 2

### Student Voice

Basketball rings or bag hooks? Murals or media rooms? Sometimes it's easy for the adults in schools (teachers, parents and principals) to make decisions about school priorities, without consulting those who matter most – our students. Last night's P&C meeting was a tremendous model for getting it right, and empowering the voice of our student representatives. Over the last few weeks, our student leaders have been consulting with other students across the school, to identify what they believe should be our funding priorities. Their research culminated in an articulate, persuasive presentation to the P&C. Carefully outlining their perspectives and fielding questions from the floor, the students were very well prepared and had a comprehensive understanding of their priority areas. Thank you to the Year 6 teachers who supported the students and to the parents who came along on the night (especially Gary Blanch!).

### The Election Sausage

If you're coming to vote at school on Saturday, bring a few dollars for a sausage sizzle from the P&C. Running as a fundraiser for Noah Dobson, the P&C are still in need of volunteers for a couple of 30-60 minute spots during the day. If you can spare an hour, follow the link here or sign up on Facebook.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4daca28a5fa7-election>

### Kiss n Drop Zone

Changes to parking this year have been implemented to ease congestion on Floraville Rd. Parking Inspectors will be visiting the school in the coming week to ensure the *Kiss n Drop Zone* is being used appropriately. Motorists are reminded to remain with their vehicle and exit the zone within 2 minutes.

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

## Finally

NAPLAN assessments began smoothly this week for students in years 3 and 5. While some schools reported technical difficulties with the online component, systems here ran effectively. However, the school is seeking to resolve a technical issue with the school App. Currently, notifications are appearing as messages, but will not *pop up* on phones. The provider is rectifying the issue.

Simon Mulready  
Principal

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

Being responsible means others can trust you to do things with excellence. You accept accountability for your actions. When you make a mistake, you offer amends instead of excuses. Responsibility is the ability to respond ably and to make smart choices.

## SPORT NEWS

### Touch Football

Congratulations to Stevie Botham for being selected into the Hunter touch football team for 2019. Well done.

### Rugby Union

Good luck to Sage Mullins and Harry Kay, who are both trialling for the Hunter rugby union team at Gateshead on Friday. All the very best, boys!

### Primary Sport

It was great to hear so many positive reports about Floraville students displaying sportsmanship when representing the school at netball, soccer and rugby league. Each Friday, all students should have the correct sporting equipment, Floraville hats, labelled drink bottle and asthma puffer, if required. Friday primary sport will run even when it is raining.

### Rugby League

Windale senior league pick up time is at 1:00pm.

## OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

### Walk Safely to School Day – Fri 17<sup>th</sup> May

This Friday, 17th May, is National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD). This is an annual event that encourages less driving and more walking in our daily routines. If you must drive to school, perhaps you could park the car a considerable distance away and walk from there to school? If your child needs to catch a bus to school, perhaps a family member could walk with your child to a bus stop that is a little further away? WSTSD encourages children up to 10 years old to hold an adult's hand when crossing the road. More information can be found at [walk.com.au](http://walk.com.au)

Carly Erich | Assistant Principal

### Creative Arts Camp 2019

Nominations are now open for the 2019 Hunter Creative Arts Camp, to be held at Camp Toukley Monday 2 September – Friday 6 September.

The camp is designed for students in Years 5 and 6 with a passion for and exceptional abilities in music, art, dance or drama. This week-long intensive camp allows students to be extended in a creative environment, with specialist staff and likeminded students. Participants create a sense of team as they work towards an end of camp performance for parents. If you would like more information, please visit: <https://bit.ly/2Q1wvO2>

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Literacy Pro Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Literacy Pro awards at our recent Primary and Infants assemblies.

Blue Star Awards (25 points) were received by Olivia Purcell 2MD, Alina Gal 3B, Jorja Robinson 3B, Liam Krysko 3F, Lucas Oakey 3F, Jarrah van den Berg 3F, Tye Saul 4/5A, Roman Duthie 4/5A, Will Roseby 4/5A, Liam Sarich 4/5A, Myles Sharman 4/5A, Scarlet Halpin 5NR, Kate McCahn 5NR, Amy Oakey 5NR, Lara Kennedy 6P, Cyrus Mumtahan 6P, Isaac Preston-Poole 6P, Fin Roach 6P, Zac Anderson 6S, Andrea Battye 6S, Bella Ciarrocchi 6S, Seth Diver 6S, Sienna Gribble 6S, Cooper Hennessy 6S and Riley Kerr 6S

Red Star Awards (50points) were received by Quin Fox 2L, Alina Gal 3B, Jake Bailie 4/5A, Max Lonergan 4C, Will Roseby 4/5A, Mila Gal 5/6B, Lara Kennedy 6P, Cyrus Mumtahan 6P, Bella Ciarrocchi 6S, Halen Foster 6S and Sienna Gribble 6S.

Bronze Star Awards (75 points) were received by Alina Gal 3B, Jake Baillie 4/5A, Mila Gal 5/6B, Cyrus Mumtahan 6P, Bella Ciarrocchi 6S, Halen Foster 6S, Sienna Gribble 6S and Matthew Mulvaney 6S.

Silver Star Awards (100 points) were received by Jake Baillie 4/5A, Mila Gal 5/6B, Harper Wall 6P, Halen Foster 6S and Matthew Mulvaney 6S.

### **Premier's Reading Challenge**

Congratulations to Max Ferris 1/2G, Quin Fox 2L and Bayan Atai 4/5A who have all completed the 2019 Premier's Reading Challenge.

All students from K-6 are invited to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge. For more information, please refer to the official website <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

### **P&C Election Fundraiser – Support to Noah Dobson**

We are desperate for a couple more volunteers to help at our fundraising BBQ and Cake Stall this Saturday to support the Dobson family. We are particularly after helpers to fill the 9am-10am and the 2pm-3pm timeslots. The roster can be accessed via our P&C Facebook page or this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4dacao28a5fa7-election>  
Thanks to all who have already registered.

### **P&C NEWS**

We had a huge turnout at our P&C meeting last night. Thank you to everyone who attended, with special thanks to all of our student leaders (and their parents) for being present and for detailing their fundraising proposals.

Following their presentation we have decided to allocate money we have sourced via fundraising toward flexible learning classroom furniture (matched dollar for dollar by the school), additional laptop computers, contribution to artwork for balcony art/murals and funding for additional basketball hoops.

We have also identified a possible option to replace the outdoor classroom learning area and are looking at funding opportunities to purchase additional bag hooks.

Bryan Garland - President  
fpspresident@gmail.com

### **CANTEEN NEWS**

If your child has a 2<sup>nd</sup> Break order please remind them they need to come to the canteen to collect it, as they don't go down to the classroom.

**Coming up: Thompson's Pie Drive**

### **Roster**

**Thurs 16/5** Kristie Woodward, Amanda Steadman  
**Fri 17/5** Lisa Booth, Erica Pedonese, Kristina Love, Samantha Sutton  
**Mon 20/5** Renee Picton, Alison Johnson, Alison Banek  
**Tues 21/5** Eileen Jackson, Marilyn James, Christine Jones  
**Wed 22/5** Courtney Porcovich, Michelle Gray, Sally Petrassi (pm)

### **BANKING NEWS**

This week we had 58 students banking (15 classes out of 21). The number of classes were down due to a busy morning with Mother's Day activities.

CBA has changed the way they provide commissions to schools in 2019. Schools will be given commission based on the number of students banking (previously it was based on \$ amount banked). The money received by the school is used to buy new books for library. Last year, our school received \$1,720. This year, so far, our school commission is \$470. We would love to see more student banking, even if it is a small amount each week. Don't forget, students are also rewarded after 10 deposits. Well done, 3R for being our class of the week.

We still have many students eligible for their reward. You can check online through CBA Youth App if your child reached the 10 deposits or you could send a message with their banking book. To order, please send a note to our lovely banking team inside your child's deposit book.

Available Term1 2019 - Twister Power Handball or Snowy Origami Set, Term 2 2019 - Icicle Slapband Ruler or Yeti Fluffy Notebook. Samples are hooked to the office wall.

Thank you to this week's parent volunteers. We appreciate if the banking deposit slips are completed fully. Please make sure the correct date and amount are also written on the left side of the deposit slip (the one you keep in the bank book). Many thanks.

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