



The Brief

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| Week | Date | |
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| 1 | 25/7 | PSSA KO Touch Football Boys Gala Day |
| | 26/7 | PSSA State Cross Country Macquarie Cup Netball 12pm-2.30pm Macquarie Cup Soccer 12pm-3pm |
| | 29/7 | Touch Football Girls Gala Day |
| 2 | 30/7 – 1/8 | NSW PSSA Netball Championships |
| | 31/7 – 1/8 | PSSA Zone Athletics |
| | 1/8 | Infants Assembly (KH) 2.15pm-3pm |
| | 2/8 | Primary Assembly (50) 10.20am-11am Macquarie Cup Netball 12pm-2.30pm Macquarie Cup Soccer 12pm-3pm Primary Sport 1.40pm-3pm |

Reminder of Money Due:

Band Fees are now due

Macquarie Cup Soccer 2nd Instalment now due



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE WEEK 1 TERM 3

Welcome Back

"That's a fancy new haircut, Liam."

"Yeah, I know!"

There were new haircuts, new stories, and a couple of new students, as school resumed on Tuesday, this week. Kobi, Finn and Mr Cox were showing off their new haircuts to 4C. Students across the school were keen to tell their teachers and classmates about their holiday adventures. (Oliver had a near miss with some wood chopping). A number of students enjoyed success in various sporting competitions. While there may have been a few tired bodies getting out of bed this week, there have been plenty of smiles as students caught up with their friends. Welcome to the new families who have joined us at Floraville.

Term 3

While pursuing our vision for excellence in learning, a number of opportunities are planned for term 3 which will extend the curriculum for students. Our Book Parade and Grandparent's Day is a popular event on the school calendar. Set for Wednesday 21 August, the day is a celebration of reading, with this year's theme, *Reading is my secret power*. Our School Show is scheduled for the end of term, with tentative dates from 12-19 September (TBC). Each Stage will have dates allocated for their performances. The zone athletics carnival will be held next week, while various sporting knock-out teams will continue with their competitions. In the last week of term, Year 3 have plans for a camp and the band will be participating in Bandlink. Keep an eye out for further details as they are provided during the term.

Staff Development Day

Teachers at Floraville are committed to a process of continuous improvement. Staff Development Days are an important part of the professional learning program. These days are planned throughout year to support the priorities of the School Plan. A Staff Development Day was held on Monday, this week, with Curriculum, Future Focused Learning, Wellbeing and Aboriginal Education the areas of priority. Teachers spent time revising plans for the new science and technology syllabus, while integrating learning across other curriculum areas. Later in the day we had a session with Aunty Laurel Williams, before going out on an Aboriginal site visit to Swansea Heads.

Simon Mulready, Principal

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

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

Courage is bravery in the face of fear. You do the right thing even when it is hard or scary. When you are courageous, you don't give up. You try new things. You admit mistakes. Courage is the strength in your heart.

SPORT NEWS

Friday Primary Sport

Rotational school sport will start in Week 2 for primary students. Although we are heading into cooler weather, students still require their school hat and drink bottle each Friday.

Macquarie Cup soccer and netball, as well as Rugby League are on this week. These students will catch the bus as well.

Good luck William D

This Friday, William Dugomanov will represent the Hunter at the State Cross Country competition in Sydney. We wish William all the best. A fabulous achievement for all his hard work!

Good luck Stevie B

Next week, our talented Stevie Botham will compete at the NSW Netball championships in Orange. Stevie will play with her fellow teammates in the Hunter netball team. We wish her all the best for the three days of competition. We are proud of your achievements!

Cake stall for William Dugomanov

On Friday 2 August, we will be having a cake stall to support William Dugomanov of Year 6 as he competes at the PSSA Cross Country in Term 3. Year 6 students have been asked to contribute any goodies they can, to sell at the cake stall. A separate note has been sent home to Year 6 students. Please support the cake stall by sending your child to school with money. Goodies will range from 50c to \$2. We appreciate the communities support.

The cake stall will be at 1st break and any remainder goodies left over will be sold at 2nd break.



Ski Team

In the holidays, our Ski team competed at the 2019 Regional NSW Interschool's Snowsports Championships at Perisher. Ruby and Bella Jones, Florence and Lance Saker competed in Alpine and SkierX events against over 110 competitors from more than 70 Catholic, Independent and Public schools across Northern NSW. Our girls team Ruby, Bella and Florence qualified for NSW State Championships in August, winning the Bronze medal in SkierX and the Bronze medal in Alpine. Congratulations also goes to Lance who competed individually in the boys division and achieved good results against tough competition in his second year competing. Ruby, Bella and Florence will now progress to NSW Interschool's Snowsports State Championships from 20-25 August at Perisher, competing in Alpine and SkierX. Well done team!

Zone Athletics

Next week, students who came in the top two in their age group and reached the qualifying times and distances, will compete at the 2019 Eastlakes PSSA Athletics Carnival at Marks Point. Day 1 Wednesday 31 July 2019 (back up – Tuesday 6 August 2019), students will compete in High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Heats for 200m and 800m. 8.00am start for all discus events. All other students need to arrive by 8.45am. Day 2 Thursday 1 August, 2019, students will compete at 8:00 am 1500m events, (march past at 9:00am): 100m Age Races, Finals for 200m and 800m, Relays. We wish the team all the very best!

PSSA Boys Touch Football Knockout

Tomorrow our PSSA Boys Touch Football team will battle out their first few rounds in a Gala Day at Valentine football ovals. It looks like a great weather and will be a very competitive day. We wish them all the best on the day!

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 Joshua Garland (5O) Caitlyn Holland (6P) and Jasana Denz (6P)

Red Star Awards (50 points) was received by Roman Duthie.

Bronze Star Awards (75 points) were received by Seth Graham (4C), Amy Oakey (5NR) and Cooper Hennessy (6S).

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Brianna James 1HS, Kyan Van Der Velde 1A, Jessie Baillie KH, Evie Beattye 2L and Evalee Wood KG who have read the required number of books to complete the Challenge.

All students 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>

Book Week and Grandparents Day

We'll be celebrating Book Week and Grandparents Day on Wednesday 21 August, that's only 4 weeks away. Students are invited to come to school dressed up for our parade. They can either come as a character from a book or be inspired by this year's official Book Week theme, "Reading is my Secret Power".

Be sure to get all grandparents to save the date. The parades will be held in the morning session, beginning with an Infants parade followed by a separate Primary parade. Grandparents and visitors will then be invited to classrooms to help out with some literature inspired art and craft activities during the middle session.

Keep an eye on The Brief for more specific details closer to the date or contact Mrs Southward if you need to know anything sooner – Louise.Southward@det.nsw.edu.au

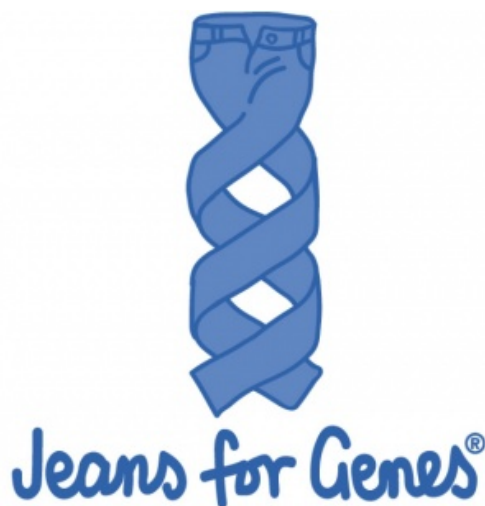
Book Club

Students should have received Book Club brochures yesterday. Please return all orders to the office by Thursday 1 August.

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

Jeans for Genes day-Friday 2nd August

Students are invited to bring a gold coin donation to wear denim jeans or a denim item of clothing to school on Friday 2 August as part of a Jeans for Genes Day. Every dollar raised helps scientists at Children's Medical Research Institute discover treatments and cures, to give every child the opportunity to live a long and healthy life. Thank you for your support!



100-word Challenge

Students in 6P were given the challenge of writing a story with exactly 100 words. Including a complication and a resolution with so few words is not an easy task. Here is an amazing story written by Mahney Jenkins.

Trouble

The lady picked up the weapon and walked closer to the door. She grabbed the rusty doorknob and slowly turned it clockwise. *CREAK!* She walked into the room quietly, looking around for her target. She heard a door open behind her and she looked around the room. Shivering on the spot, her breathing became heavier and heavier.

"Maria!" a voice screamed. She felt a tap on the shoulder.

"Maria!" the voice screamed again. "What did I tell you about using your V.R.?"

"Sorry, Mum," Maria answered. She took her goggles off.

"Lunch is ready," Maria's mum said.

Maria walked downstairs.

Mahney Jenkins

CANTEEN NEWS

Roster

Thurs 25/7 Sally Brown, Sandy Green, Lynette Cummins

Fri 26/7 Amanda Jackson, Kristen Dover, Corrine Cheung, Sonia McCumiskey, Sarah Pitman (am)

Mon 29/7 Barbara Camps, Trish Lembke, Marion Van Zeeland

Tues 30/7 Meredith Wright, Yvonne Smith, Sally Davies

Wed 31/7 Christine Brown, Caroline Minords, Jade Lee Mifsud, Lynette Cummins

P&C News

Welcome back to Term 3.

Our P&C Father's Day Stall will be held on Wednesday 28 August. More details to follow in coming weeks.

Our next P&C General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 13 August.

Bryan Garland - P&C President

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BANKING NEWS

Welcome back to a new term. I hope everyone had a terrific holiday. School Banking will commence this Thursday 25 July.

Last week of Term 2, we had 63 deposits. Amazing job KB, for your consistency each week, fantastic to see.

Congratulations to 1A who ended the term as our class of the week. Well done!

All rewards have been processed unless your child has chosen a reward from Term 3. These will be ordered in the first week of Term 3.

Thank you to parent volunteers, Donna Timmins, Gary Green, Tegan Pogonoski and Leana Suffell. We would love to see more volunteers so if you have 45 minutes to spare, please feel free to join the team at 9.15 am in the uniform shop.

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