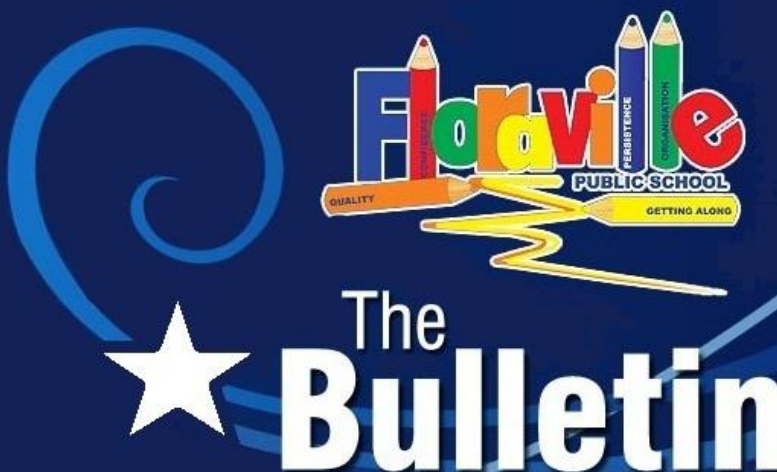


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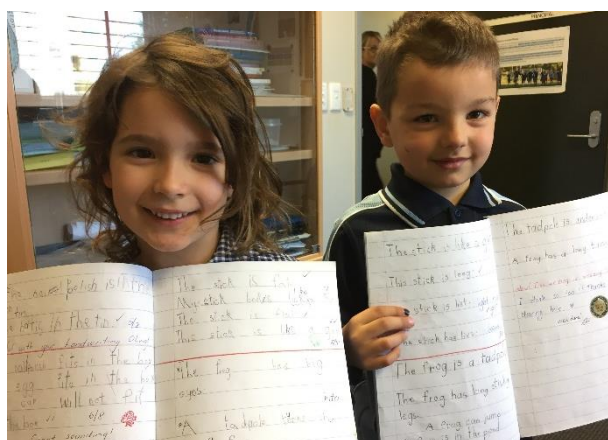
### Principal's Report

#### Book Parade & Grandparents Day

Excitement is building for the upcoming Book Parade and Grandparent's Day, with students invited to come to school dressed as a character from a favourite book. While Dr Seuss was a popular source of inspiration last year, Harry Potter continues to attract a wide audience. We may also see a few superheros this year, in line with the theme, Reading is my Secret Power. Whatever your preference, the event will provide a great opportunity to celebrate a range of books, while encouraging students to develop a love of reading. The school library will be a focal point for the week, with a Book Fair also taking place. I look forward to meeting some of the grandparents who travel from far and wide to make it to the school for this special occasion.

#### Great Writing

There was some quality writing produced by students in KS this week. Olivia, Phoenix and Logan each shared their work with me. It's always exciting to see the progress students have made with their work from the start of the year.



#### New School Gates

New security fencing is nearing completion on the southern and northern boundaries of the school. The fencing includes gates for access to Chevron Close and Sovereign Close. These gates will be padlocked each afternoon at 3:15pm and opened again in the morning at 7:30am.

#### Volunteers

Parents and carers volunteer their time at school for a range of endeavours. This assistance is of great value to our students. One of the ways in which students are supported, is through volunteers who teach classes for Scripture and Ethics. The Ethics group are looking for more volunteers for their team. Training is available for anyone looking to take on this role. Information is available on the Ethics website [www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au).

#### Student Achievement

I love hearing about the achievement of our students. Whether it's in the classroom, on the stage, or in the sporting field, Floraville students excel across a range of areas. This week, we've celebrated the success of our students in aerobics, zone athletics, soccer and touch football. Good luck to the students participating in next week's state finals for skiing!

## OOSH Survey

Thank you to the parents and carers who completed the recent OOSH survey. The P&C reviewed the results at last night's meeting and made a decision to support the extension of the existing OOSH contract with Active OOSH. While the survey results have been uploaded to the school website, the specific comments provided by individuals have been passed on to the OOSH management. The P&C also identified a number of future priorities. This feedback will guide the OOSH in continuing to improve and enhance their service over the next two years. The extended contract will run until the end of 2021.

[https://floraville-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/f/floraville-p/localcontent/FPS\\_OOSH\\_survey\\_results\\_2019.pdf](https://floraville-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/f/floraville-p/localcontent/FPS_OOSH_survey_results_2019.pdf)

## Finally

I got a vote of confidence from Harper Wall this week. Visiting students in 6P while they engaged in a lesson for mathematics, I sat for a little while with Harper, adding fractions with uncommon denominators. At the end of the lesson, Harper commented to Mrs Phillip, "You know, I think Mr Mulready could be a teacher." Thanks, Harper, good to know I can still pick up the tools.

Mr Mulready  
Principal

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

Diligence is working hard and doing your absolute best. You take special care by doing things step by step. Diligence helps you to get things done with excellence and enthusiasm. Diligence leads to success.

## Term Calendar

Week	Date	Event
4	15/8	Infants Assembly (KB) 2.15pm-3pm
	16/8	Primary Assembly (5NR) 10.20am-11am PSSA Soccer Knockout 10.15am Bolwarra Macquarie Cup Netball 12pm-2.30pm Macquarie Cup Soccer 12pm-3pm Primary Sport 1.40pm-3pm
5	20/8	AECG (Aboriginal Education Consultancy Group) 6pm-8pm
	21/8	Book Week and Grandparent's Day 9am-2.15pm
	23/8	Macquarie Cup Netball 12pm-2.30pm Macquarie Cup Soccer 12pm-3pm Primary Sport 1.40pm-3pm
Reminder of Money Due: Year 3 excursion to Camp Gosford \$85 Non-refundable deposit due August 14 Year 6 excursion to Canberra \$120 Non-refundable deposit due August 15 Year 5 excursion to Great Aussie Bush Camp \$110 Non-refundable deposit due September 12 Band Fees now due		

## News from the Office

**Office Hours 8.30am to 3.15pm**

**Please make sure you have the correct money when paying for activities or excursions.**

**We now have parent online payments through the School's Website as well as eftpos at the office.**

**You can now pre-pay fees and excursions in advance through our new system.**

**Please use our School App to notify the school of any absences for your child or any change of details.**

**National Aerobics**

Congratulations to our 5 teams who competed at the National FISAF competition in Brisbane on the 10<sup>th</sup> August. We are proud of their commitment to training three times a week all year. You will find their results along with photos in the next few pages of this newsletter.

**AFL**

Hunter Academy of Sport have just opened nominations for their 2019/2020 Programs. Full details of all sports can be found at the Hunter Academy of Sport website: <http://www.hunteracademy.org.au/>

**Rugby League**

The Newcastle Knights have notified the school that we will be required to play two games this week at Windale. Pick up time will be at 1:00pm at the front office.

**Zone Athletics**

What a fabulous two days we had at Baxter Oval, Marks Point last Tuesday and Wednesday. We are so proud of all of our athletes. It was an outstanding carnival and everyone should be happy with their achievements. All students represented Floraville with great sportsmanship, huge smiles and positive attitudes.

**Day 1 Ribbon results:**

Discus - Logan Ferguson 4th (Snr Boys), Jade Stringer 4th (Jnr Girls).

Shot Put - Jade Stringer 4th (Jnr Girls), Bella Jones 1st (Snr Girls).

High Jump - Mila Gal 2nd & Jade Stringer 4th (Jnr Girls).

Long Jump - Mackenzie Preston-Poole 2nd & Mila Gal equal 3rd (Jnr Girls), Stevie Botham 1st (Snr Girls) & Logan Ferguson 1st (Snr Boys).

**Day 2 Ribbon results:**

1500m - Olijah Steadman 4th (11yr Boys), William Dugomanov 2nd (Snr Boys).

800m finals - Koopa Gray 3rd (11yr Boys)

100m finals - Bronson Duthie 2nd and Kaila Stringer 1st (8yrs), Mitchell Davies 1st, Luca Ciarrocchi 3rd and Mackenzie Preston-Poole 1st (9yrs), Cody Turner 3rd, Jade Stringer 2nd (10yrs), Logan Ferguson 1st, Stevie Botham 3rd and Ruby Jones 4th (12yrs).

4 x 100 relays - Jnr Boys 2<sup>nd</sup> and Snr Boys 4th.

Floraville Regional Athletics team	
Stevie Botham	12/13yr Girls 200m, 12yr girls 100m, Snr Girls Long Jump
Luca Ciarrocchi	9yr Boys 100m, Jnr Boys 4 x 100m Relay
Mitchell Davies	9yr Boys 100m, Jnr Boys 4 x 100m Relay
William Dugomanov	12yr Boys 1500m
Bronson Duthie	8yr Boys 100m
Logan Ferguson	12/13yr Boys 200m, 12yr Boys 100m, Snr Boys Long Jump
Bella Jones	Snr Girls Shot Put
Mila Gal	Jnr Girls High Jump
Mackenzie Preston-Poole	9yr Girls 100m, Jnr Girls Long Jump
Jade Stringer	Jnr Girls 200m, 10yr Girls 100m
Kaila Stringer	8yr Girls 100m
Cody Turner	10yr Boys 100m, Jnr Boys 4 x 100m Relay
Jonah Thomson	Jnr Boys 4 x 100 Relay

A huge congratulations to our Floraville students heading to the Regional Athletics Carnival on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August. It is the largest team we are sending to the regional carnival in a number of years! Well done to everyone!











## Superstar performers!

Our 5 aerobics teams have been busy over the last few months. Below are pictures from the State and National carnivals. Go Team Floraville!



**Firecrackers** - Jade Stringer, Jaya Ayshford, Milani Baker, Hamish Clark, Abbie Whitaker, Abbey Hudson, Harmony Hanson, Jorja Robinson, Marli Mannix and Amelia Bellamy **3<sup>rd</sup> at State and 7<sup>th</sup> at Nationals.**



**Super Sparks** - Matilda Knowles, Brooke Gribble, Isabella Covell, Aqualina Denz, Maya Langholz, Betty Lehman, Addison Morris, Emersyn Hooper, Addison Beer and Lani Perkins **1<sup>st</sup> at State and 3<sup>rd</sup> at Nationals.**



**Enchanted** - Talia Higgins, Angela Johnson, Ava O'Toole, Adelyn Hodge, Ellen Traynor, Bella Jones, Bianca Rodway, Sienna Gribble and Jasana Denz **4<sup>th</sup> at State and 3<sup>rd</sup> at Nationals.**



**Pheonix** Lara Kennedy, Callie Manderson, Stevie Botham, Bianca Rodway, Jasana Denz and Bella Jones **2<sup>nd</sup> at State and 5<sup>th</sup> at Nationals.**



**Electric** - Bella Ciarrocchi, Sienna Gribble, Ellen Traynor and April Brackley **1<sup>st</sup> at State.**



## PSSA Knockout Soccer



## Centre of Excellence



This week our Under 10's Knights Knockout team visited the Centre of Excellence in Sydney. Due to our commitment and passion for Rugby League, and participation in school sport and knockout competitions, Floraville was one of three fortunate primary schools selected this year by NSW Rugby League to have this opportunity. Mark Hughes was the leader of our tour, showing our boys the NSW Blues sheds, strength gym, training field, hydrotherapy pools and the video analysis room. The boys enjoyed the whole experience, culminating in them walking the underground tunnel from The Centre of Excellence to ANZ stadium, as the NSW Blues did for State of Origin 3. It was an excellent experience!





## LIBRARY NEWS

### BOOK WEEK & GRANDPARENTS' DAY

We will be holding our annual Book Week & Grandparents Day celebrations on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August. Students are invited to come to school dressed in costume, either as a character from a book or using this year's theme, 'Reading is my Secret Power' as inspiration. Grandparents will be our special guests on the day but of course other visitors are also welcome.

An invitation is available on the school website if students would like to give it to their grandparents.

#### Program

9:10am—10:10am Infants Book Character Parade

10:10am—11:00am Primary Book Character Parade

11:00am—11:30am Morning Tea provided by our canteen and volunteers (sausage sizzle also available)

11:30am—1:30pm Literature inspired art & craft activities

Visitors are invited to join students in classrooms

1:30pm—2:10pm Students & visitors will be able to enjoy a sausage sizzle or sandwiches.

These will be available to purchase on the day with ordering & purchasing information to be provided by the canteen

2:10pm—3:00pm Students return to class for regular lessons

8:30am—3:30 pm Book Fair

Come along to the library and purchase a book.

All proceeds go toward purchasing new resources for the library.

#### 5 More Reasons why Reading is a Secret Power

Did you know there are many great benefits of reading aloud to children?

1. Reading aloud is a great way of engaging with children.
2. Reading aloud builds motivation, curiosity and memory.
3. Reading aloud helps children cope during times of stress or anxiety.
4. Reading aloud creates a positive association with books and reading.
5. Reading aloud takes children to places they have never been.

#### Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Emily Smith, Ella Blatchford, Layla Pitman, Orlando Suffell, Lily Burtenshaw, Alina Gal, Mikayla Suffell, Mila Gal, Caitlyn Holland and Matthew Kerr who have read the required number of books to complete the Challenge. This brings the total number of students across the school who have completed The Challenge to 76.

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>

Closing date for entries is August 30, 2019. If you have lost the record of books read, it is possible to print a borrowing record for individual students which may assist. Contact Mrs Southward in the library [louise.southward@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:louise.southward@det.nsw.edu.au) if you would find this useful.

## OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

### KINDER 2020

The transition to school process for students enrolling in Kindergarten next year is about to get underway. Our Parent Information Night will be held in the school hall on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm. Various meetings and activities have been planned for the new students and their parents. We look forward to welcoming them all to our school and including them in the Floraville family. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact Mrs Barclay.

### NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. In Week 10 of Term 2, we celebrated in a variety of ways at Floraville.

Students were lucky enough to visit the Awabakal Environmental Centre at Dudley. Whilst at the centre, students learnt about traditional bush tucker, weapons and some traditional language.

At school, students participated in classroom activities, bush tucker tasting, as well as a wonderful assembly. We had a number of special guests at our assembly, including, Penny Lee who addressed the assembly, sharing some of her stories and knowledge. Kindergarten shared a wonderful dance 'Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes', in Awabakal language, whilst the Aboriginal Dance group led by Miss Lehn and Uncle Nolan, performed a dance to a song from Uncle Nolan himself. The senior choir, supported by Miss O'Friel and Mr Faulkner and led by Mrs Focic sang 'Ngarra Burra Ferra'.

It was a fantastic week of celebration for NAIDOC week!

Aboriginal Education Team





### **Opportunity for Gifted and Talented Drama Students**

'DramaWorks' has been partly funded by the Department of Education Local Arts Committee, to offer students Yrs 3 -6, various workshops focusing on exploration, refinement and performance including:

- physical theatre
- object theatre/puppetry
- clowning/ circus, and
- show making

Parents are able to nominate their child to attend the workshops in August. The participation fee is \$120 and students are required to make their way to and from the workshops via private transport. To nominate, please visit the Dramaworks website: <http://dramaworksnewcastle.weebly.com/register-for-junior-dramaworks.html> Entries close this Friday 16th August.

### **REQUEST FOR ALL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE LOCAL TRADES PROVIDERS AND SUPPLIERS**

The NSW Government has committed the largest investment in planned maintenance at public schools in the history of NSW. A record \$1.3 billion is being spent on an ambitious delivery program, focused on employing local businesses and contractors across the state.

To assist in addressing regional school maintenance issues and at the same time provide work for local trade's persons and suppliers across the Hunter / Central Coast regions, over \$100 million is being invested to upgrade and maintain our school infrastructure.

Given this record spend by School Infrastructure NSW, you are invited to an Asset Management Unit industry breakfast briefing. This will provide information to existing and new contractors on how you can get involved.

To find out more by attending our Industry breakfast register at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/industry-engagement-information-session-tickets-65766578607> or contact your Asset Management Unit on 4088 3500.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

### **Uniform Shop**

Open Wednesdays from 2.30-3.15pm.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP.**

## **CANTEEN NEWS**

### **Grandparent's Day/Book Week Parade**

Book Week Parade/Grandparent's day – Wednesday 21st August.

Infants & primary parents, we need your help on Grandparent's Day!

Everyone loves to watch their children in the book parade & it would be lovely to get some extra help in the canteen to make this possible! So if you can spare a half hour so that all our parents on canteen can see their parade this would be greatly appreciated.

**Morning Tea will be available for a gold coin donation.**

**Sausage Sizzle and soft drinks will be available for BOTH breaks for \$2.50 each.**

### **Roster**

**Thursday 15/8** – Melinda Kennedy, Naomi Harris, Kylie Feeney (am)

Donna Timmins (pm)

**Friday 16/8** – Kristie Davies, Amanda Steadman, Sarah Soewarno,

Maree McCulloch

**Monday 19/8** – Kristy Reid, Kylie Wells

**Tuesday 20/8** – Rachael Searle, Melissa Eastham, Shanon McSweeny,

Leanne Stevens

**Wednesday 21/8** – Katie Budden, Vivienne Tindall, Teresa Wilson,

Krystle Bambak Urbanowicz

## BANKING NEWS

### Banking is every Thursday

We had an amazing week with 82 deposits. KB is our Class of the week. 13 students from KB banked this week (school highest for this year). Great job. You guys are Champions!

Thank you to the parent and grand-parent volunteers, Donna Timmins, Gary Green, Leana Suffell and Mina Moini. We need more volunteers so if you have 45 minutes to spare, please feel free to join the team at 9.15am on Thursdays, in the uniform shop. Thank you.

Gabrielle Darabi  
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## Good for Kids good for life

### HEALTHY PARTY IDEAS

Parents and teachers can shift the focus for school parties from unhealthy food to fun healthy food.

You could serve snacks with fun plates, napkins, cups or straws, or have a tasting party where children can vote for their favourite healthy snack. Why not try some of the following:

- Fruit kebabs
- Orange quarters – try them frozen in summer
- Fruit smoothies
- Melon balls
- Berries
- Frozen fruit blocks
- Apple slinkies
- Veggie strips with low fat dip or salsa
- Sandwiches
- Raisin bread
- Pikelets
- Rice crackers
- Scones
- Cheese cubes
- Low fat popcorn



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