**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Term 4**

**Week 10:**
- 12/12 – Presentation Day
  - Infants – 9.30 - 11.00am
  - Primary – 11.30am - 1.30pm
- 13/12 – K-2 Movie Day
- 13/12 – Primary Assembly 11.35am

**Week 11:**
- 16/12 – Year 5 Party Day
- 17/12 – Year 6 Farewell
- 18/12 – Last day for students

**2014 – Term 1**

**Week 1:**
- 29/01 – First day back – Year 1-6

**Week 2:**
- 03/02 – First day for Kindergarten
- 04/02 – Primary Sport permission note & money due.

**Week 3:**
- 12/02 – Swimming Carnival
- 13/02 – Zone Tennis Trials
- 14/02 – Zone Basketball Trials
- 14/02 – Primary Sport begins

**REMINDER OF MONEY DUE**

- Year 6 Farewell - $27.00
- K-2 Movie Day - $10.00
- Primary Sport permission note & money due 04/02

**Thought for the Week**

Have a safe and happy Christmas and a relaxing and enjoyable holiday.

From everyone at Floraville PS

**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE WEEK 10**

Dear Parents,

As we draw towards the end of another very successful year at Floraville and as this is the final Brief for the year, I would like to thank all our parents and community members for their ongoing support of the school. I would also like to thank all of our wonderful students for their hard work and cooperation throughout the year and thank the fantastic staff for their commitment and dedication to the welfare and education of our students.

**Fete**

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the fete on Saturday. It was a wonderful event and it was great to see so many people here enjoying the beautiful weather and festive atmosphere. Thanks again to the organisers who did such a splendid job in bringing it all together.

**Carols**

On another festive note, it will be great to see as many of our families as possible here at school tonight for the Community Carols on the Green. We are looking forward to celebrating the Christmas season with everyone.

**Presentation Day**

A reminder that our Presentation Day Assemblies are being held tomorrow, where everyone is invited to join us for a celebration of 2013 and a recognition of some outstanding student achievements and performances. The K-2 Assembly commences at 9.30 – 11.00am and this will be followed by the 3-6 Assembly at 11.30 – 1.15pm.

**Canteen**

Please be mindful that the canteen will be closed tomorrow due to Presentation Day. It will also be closed for lunch orders all of next week but existing stock, for example, drinks, ice-blocks and chips will be available until sold out.

**Ready for High School**

Can you recall what you were most apprehensive about when you started high school? This video of Year 7 students explains why teens shouldn’t be worried about starting high school, and how they can get off to a great start in the first few days.

Watch the videos:


**Kik Messenger**

Does your child use Kik? Police have described it as “the No.1 social media problem involving teenagers”, but most parents would barely have heard of messaging app Kik before last week.

Find out what it is:

http://www.schoolator.nsw.edu.au/technology/technology-az/technology_glossary/7wOf/3535/Kik+messenger

Why cyber safety experts are concerned:


D. Robson
Principal
This week’s virtue is TOLERANCE

Being tolerant is accepting differences. You don’t expect others to think, look, speak or act just like you. You are free of prejudice, knowing that all people have feelings, needs, hopes and dreams. Tolerance is also accepting things you wish were different with patience and flexibility.

ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 6C

BANKING CHAMPIONS – 2/3J & 5F

SPORT NEWS

Term 1 Primary Sport
(for current Year 2-5 students)

Primary Sport begins in Week 3 (14th February). This sees the continuation of our summer sports program which includes the sporting electives of Sailing, Water Polo, Water Fun & Safety, Tennis and Aerobics. These sports are not on offer in Terms 2 or 3.

The nomination forms were sent home last Wednesday and were due on Monday. Most spots in paid sports are filled by next year’s Year 5 and 6 students, as they get preference. It is rare that Year 3 and 4 students receive positions in these sports. Senior students have waited for their opportunity to get first preference and this process allows for more students to eventually get a taste at most sports throughout their primary years. If your child gains a place in a paid sport, a permission note will be sent home at the end of Week 10 (by 13th December) to confirm what sport your child is placed in. Your payment will then secure your child’s place in their chosen sport (due Tuesday 4th February, 2014).

Ky & Joshua at Hunter Sports Award Ceremony

Ky Willott and Joshua Redding are at the Hunter Sports Awards Ceremony this afternoon. These boys will each receive a ‘Regional Recognition Award’ for their achievements as a member of the Hunter Hockey team. The Hunter Hockey team won the title of State Champions for the second year in a row! Congratulations on receiving this prestigious sports award.

Presentation Day Sports Awards

Sports Awards are presented at our school’s Presentation Day (Year 3-6 section) next week on Thursday 12th December. The male and female Sportspersons of the Year will be announced and we also award certificates for Zone, Regional and State representation in PSSA sports.

Please note: Zone representation means that you represented the Zone at Regional level, not represented the school at a Zone event.

Get active and have fun during these holidays!

Check out the Department of Sport & Recreation website for holiday clinics and camp details: http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

Thank you for another fantastic year in sport Floraville! Check the calendar on our Floraville smartphone app for sporting dates and events coming up next year. Bring it on!
Carly Erich
Sports Coordinator

P&C NEWS

Thank you to everyone for volunteering your time to help at the fete, and to all the families that attended. At this stage we will make around $8000. The P&C will now be able to replace the air conditioning unit for Mrs Erich’s room.

Once again, the support throughout the year to the P&C from our local community has been wonderful. Remember “Carols” tonight and have a great time.

To everybody, have a safe and enjoyable Christmas Holidays.

SPRING FETE

What a beautiful sunny day we were given second time round for our fete. It was great to see so many smiling children and adults who were obviously enjoying the day. The P&C would like to thank Mr Robson, Mrs White, teaching staff and office staff for all their help and support in making the fete such a wonderful day. We would especially like to thank all the parents who volunteered their time, many of them worked all day on stalls, games and the BBQ.

P&C Committee

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open Monday 8.30 – 9.15 am or Wednesday 2.30 – 3.15 pm.

CANTEEN NEWS

Thursday 12th December – PRESENTATION DAY – CANTEEN CLOSED!!!

Friday 13th December – LAST CANTEEN DAY FOR 2013!

Please be aware that the canteen WILL NOT be open for the last 3 days of term, being Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th December. Canteen will be closed for cleaning in readiness for 2014.

Roster:
Thursday 12/12 – CANTEEN CLOSED
Friday 13/12 – Danyell Glover, Sarah Osmotherly, Amanda McNamara, Carol Traynor, Jade Clark
Monday 16/12 – CLOSED FOR CLEANING
Elise Hughes, Rachel Searle, Tammy Price-Doyle, Megan Jennings
Tuesday 17/12 – CLOSED FOR CLEANING
Cassandra Jensen, Vicki Corrigan, Charlene Thompson, Kristie Davies
Wednesday 18/12 – CLOSED FOR CLEANING
Rachel New, Pam Finn, Kay Gibson, Megan Nicholson

FLORAVILLE COMMUNITY OOSH

OOSH will be open on the School Development Days Thursday 19th December and Friday 20th December.
- Thursday 19th December – Movie Day
- Friday 20th December – Christmas Party

To place a booking please call 0447 983759.
They will re-open on Monday 6th January, a detailed vacation care note will go home today.