IMPORTANT DATES

Week 6:
- 7/3 – Hunter Swimming Carnival.
- 7/3 – Footsteps Dance free sessions.
- 8/3 – Hunter Basketball Trials.
- 8/3 – PSSA Tennis.

Week 7:
- 12/3 – School Council, P&C.
- 14/3 – Easter Raffle Tickets distributed.
- 15/3 – Zone Cricket trials (boys).

Week 8:
- 19/3 – Crazy Hair Day + Easter Egg donation.
- 21/3 – Harmony Day.

Week 9:
- 25/3 to 12/4 Parent/Teacher Interviews.
- 29/3 – Good Friday Holiday.

REMINDER OF MONEY DUE
- Lexile Reading $6.00 – Due now. Year 2 and new students Years 3 – 6.
- Kinder Cooking - $8.00.
- Year 6 Shirt $27.00.
- Band Fees
- PSSA Sport Money
- Year 6 Shirt Money - $27.00

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE WEEK 6

Dear Parents,

Clean Up Australia Day
Our efforts to support Clean Up Australia Day last Friday were thwarted by the weather, so we have rescheduled to this Friday. Fingers crossed for a lovely, sunny day.

School Photos
Thank you to everyone for making a special effort to look their best for our school photos today. We were lucky with the weather and are all looking forward to seeing the photos when they are delivered.

The photographers will return towards the end of term 2 to take the sporting team photos and any individual photos for children that were absent today.

Transition to High School in 2014
The transition process for Year 6 children moving to Year 7 in 2014 will begin very soon. Parents of Year 6 children will receive a booklet next week. The “Moving Into Year 7 in a NSW Government School in 2014” booklet contains useful information about moving to high school, but most importantly contains the expression of interest form that will begin the process for your child. The forms will be personalised for each student and will contain details about their designated local high school. Parents are asked to complete the forms and return them to our office by 22nd March at the latest. The information contained in the booklet about completing the forms is comprehensive but should you require assistance or advice please do not hesitate to contact us.

Reading With Your Child at Home
When your children see you reading and writing in everyday life – whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list – it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.
Find out more:

Removing Head Lice and Nits
Mention head lice and most of us instantly develop an itch. While head lice and nits, (the eggs of head lice) are certainly annoying and persistent, they’re not dangerous. Here’s everything you need to know to rid your children of head lice and nits.
Find out more:

Thank you.
D. Robson
Principal

Thought for the Week
When you stumble... make it part of the dance.
~Author Unknown
VIRTUES EDUCATION
This week’s virtue is ENTHUSIASM.

Enthusiasm is being cheerful, happy and full of spirit. It is doing something wholeheartedly and eagerly. When you are enthusiastic, you have a positive attitude. Enthusiasm is being inspired.

BANKING CHAMPIONS – 1NB
MATHLETICS CHAMPIONS – 6C
ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 4/5W

SPORTS NEWS

Success at Hunter Diving Trials!
Congratulations to Jodin, Jaith and Jysen Bell who were all successful in gaining a spot in the Hunter Diving Team! These boys are off to PSSA State titles on 25th-26th March. A great achievement!

Zone & Regional Swimming Carnivals
Last Monday & Wednesday the Floraville swim team competed at the PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival. Our team were fantastic competitors on the day and we hope you enjoyed the experience. Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to compete at the PSSA Hunter Regional Swimming Carnival this Thursday in Maitland: Ashby Allen, Zoey Geeves, Sophie Tabrett and Jysen Bell.

Sporting Trials and Fairness
Our school prides itself on offering a wide range of sporting opportunities. Please remember that all of these sporting teams are optional and we offer them for the benefit of the students. We are fortunate to have a very dedicated staff who are willing to coach these teams and we hope you will support our staff so that the students continue to enjoy the variety of opportunities we provide. The results of trials will be announced when they are complete as some teams still require more trials to get through so many students. Congratulations to all students who trialled for a school team.

3 weeks until Cross Country!
The countdown is on! Our school Cross Country is 28th March from 11:45am at Marks Oval. An information note will go home to primary students later this week. There are three PSSA age groups: 8-9yrs = 2km race; 10yrs = 2km race; 11-12yrs = 3km race. Year 2 students who turn 8 this year must see Mrs Erich for a permission note if they wish to attend and compete in the 8-9yrs race. Year 2 students need to return your permission note to Mrs Erich. The wet weather back-up date is Thursday 4th April. Happy running!

Carly Erich
Sports Coordinator

Library

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Would you like your child to participate in the 2013 Premier’s Reading Challenge? Would you like more information on the Challenge?

Please refer to the website for details by either clicking on the following link or simply Google 'NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge':

The Premier’s Reading Challenge website is now available to enter reading logs online. Simply logon using your child’s username and password (same as they use to logon to the computers at school). For more information, please contact Mrs Southward (in the library).

Lexile
The Lexile Reading Program is underway in all Primary classes. Students are strongly encouraged to be reading each night as part of their homework. A number of our Infants students are also involved in the program. If you have any questions about Lexile, please contact Mrs Southward (in the library).

Book Fair
Our first book fair of the year will be held during Week 11 of this term. Book Fairs are a great way for us to add to our collection of library books, as we receive commission for all books sold.

P & C
Reminder of P & C AGM next Tuesday night at 7 pm. Please return nomination forms to office.

School banking is on Thursday mornings. If anyone is able to assist with setting up MYOB in the uniform shop please see one of the ladies in the uniform shop.

Our banking volunteers desperately need help on Thursday mornings for 1 hour. If you have some spare time available please register your interest at the Office.

Canteen Roster
Thursday 7/3 – Michelle Keen, Emma Hibberd, Brooke Burn, Nola Glover.
Friday 8/3 – Danyell Glover, Sarah Osmotherly, Amanda McNamara.
Tuesday 12/3 – Cassandra Jensen, Vicki Corrigan, Charlene Thompson, Kristie Davies.
Wednesday 13/3 – Rachel New, Pam Finn, Kay Gibson, Megan Nicholson.