IMPORTANT DATES

This Week:
- 9/5 – Kindergarten Mothers’ Day activities
- 9/5 – PSSA Netball at Redhead 11am
- 9/5 – K-2 assembly 2.15pm
- 10/5 – Hunter Cross Country
- 10/5 – Primary assembly 10.15am

Week 3:
- 13/5 to 22/5 – Hunter Life Education Van visits all classes
- 14/5 to 16/5 – NAPLAN Yrs 3&5
- 14/5 – Athletics Field event trials
- 14/5 – School Council and P&C
- 16/5 – Athletics Field event trials backup

Week 4:
- 20/5 – Zone Touch Football trials
- 21/5 – Breathing Correction-Parent Information Evening 6.15-7.15pm
- 21/5 – Zone Softball trials (girls & boys)
- 21/5 – Band Disco K-2 (5.30 – 6.45pm), 3-6 (7 – 8.30pm)
- 22/5 – School Leaders Conference (SRC)
- 23/5 – Infants Assembly
- 23/5 – Knights Knockout
- 24/5,7/6,13/6 – Star Struck Rehearsal
- 24/5 – Year 3 Visit to Local Library

Week 5:
- 27/5 – Primary Athletics Carnival
- 28/5-29/5 – Cancer Council-Fruit & Veg Parent Information Session 6-7.30pm
- 29/5 – PSSA Soccer Knockout

REMINDER OF MONEY DUE
- Canberra Excursion $70.00 – due 10/05
- Life Education - $9.00
- Primary Athletics Carnival - $8.50
- Lexile Reading $6.00 – due now. Year 2 and new students Years 3-6
- Kinder Cooking - $8.00
- Band Fees
- Aerobics Training - $20.00
- Term 2 Netball - $49.00
- ICAS Exams

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE WEEK 2

Dear Parents,

Welcome
This week we extend a very warm welcome to three visiting teachers from America. Miss Wegner, Miss Edwards and Miss Davis arrived yesterday and will be staying with us for the remainder of the term. They will be based in KJ, 6C and 3/4O respectively although will also be working other classrooms as well. They have completed their teacher training in the USA and have come to Australia to gain some valuable international experience and to share some of their culture and practice with us. We are looking forward to working with them over the term and I am sure they will be very quickly welcomed into the Floraville family.

Naplan
Good luck to our Year 3 and Year 5 students who will be undertaking the NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) tests next week. The assessments run over three days with Language Conventions and Writing held on Tuesday 14th, Reading on Wednesday 15th and Numeracy on Thursday 16th. We certainly encourage students not to see these tests as anything “special,” they are simply another form of assessment and we strongly encourage students to see the test days as “just another normal school day.”

Aerobics Teams WOW the audience
Congratulations to our four aerobics teams who competed at the NSW Preliminary Finals on the weekend. All teams were successful and are now off to the State Championships on 15th June. Both the Rock Stars and Triple Trouble placed 1st in their divisions.
An amazing effort by our individual performers; Mackenzie Glover 1st, Billy Thomas 2nd and Lily McCudden 6th. Well done!

Choralfest
Congratulations to our students who performed at Choralfest this week. Our senior Choir were Highly Commended and placed 2nd in their division on Monday and today our School Choir WON their section and the Boys Vocal placed 2nd with a Highly Commended.

Disco
There will be a disco on Tuesday 21st May. The cost is $5. The K-2 disco will start at 5.30pm and conclude at 6.45pm. The 3-6 disco will be from 7.30pm until 8.30pm. The theme for the disco is Pop Stars and Rock Stars. The canteen will be open as well as sausage sizzle available for purchases. Any parents available to volunteer on the evening, your
assistance would be greatly appreciated by the Performing Arts Committee.

Hunter Life Education Visits
The Life Education van will be visiting our school from Monday 13th to Wednesday 22nd May. A note was sent home recently detailing the program for each grade level along with a permission note to attend. The cost of the visit is $9 and this includes a student workbook. Please refer to the timetable provided with the permission note as money is due to the school office two days prior to your child’s visit date. If you have any concerns with payment please contact the school.

Woolworths Earn & Learn
The Earn and Learn program is well underway. Thank you to the students who have already started to return completed sticker forms. Should you require extra forms, they are available at the office counter. Our goal this year is to reach 160,000!

Chickenpox
Please be aware that there is currently an outbreak of chickenpox within our local area. In children chickenpox usually starts with a general feeling of tiredness and lethargy, as well as a fever and swollen glands. This is soon followed by an outbreak of a rash over the next 3-5 days. If your child develops these symptoms seek medical advice and inform the school office.

Thank you.
D. Robson
Principal

Thought for the Week
Forget all the reasons it won’t work and believe the one reason that it will.
~Unknown

VIRTUES EDUCATION
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.

ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 1D

CAPTAIN SCHOOL PHOTOS
School Captains, Vice Captains and Sports Captains photographs will be on display in our office foyer. If you would like to order, please collect a Re-Order envelope from the office and place correct money in the envelope before 3rd June 2013.

LIBRARY NEWS
Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to the following students who have all completed the 2013 Premier’s Reading Challenge.
Nathan Connor - Kindergarten
Cameron Burt and Hayley Wooger - Year 3
Isabella Halpin - Year 4
William Burt and Emily Hull - Year 5
Rohan Nuss and Gemma Robertson - Year 6
This will bring the total number of Floraville Public School students who have completed this year’s challenge to 24, with over 3 months remaining before all entries need to be complete.

Lexile Legend
Congratulations to this week’s Lexile Legend, Esther Kim of 3/4O. Keep up the great work.

Library Helpers Needed
Just another callout for people to assist in shelving books in the library. If you arrive early for the afternoon pickup, why not drop in to the library and help shelve some books? Your help will be greatly appreciated.
A special thank you to the people who help out on a regular basis, you are amazing!

SPORT NEWS
Seeking Sponsorship for Basketball Uniforms
We are still seeking sponsorship for our two school basketball uniforms for a total of $1,344. Please see the pink note that went home last term which is also on the school website.

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