IMPORTANT DATES

This Week:
- 13/5 to 22/5 – Hunter Life Education Van visits all classes
- 14/5 to 16/5 – NAPLAN Years 3 & 5
- 16/5 – Athletics Field event trials
- 17/5 – Macquarie Cup Soccer 11.45am
- 17/5 – Macquarie Cup Netball 11.50am
- 17/5 – Windale Cup League 1.00pm

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)
- 21/5 – PSSA Netball
- 21/5 – Law Week Year 6 (Selected Students)
- 21/5 – Sports Fun Day (Selected Students)
- 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
- 24/5 – Primary Assembly

Week 5:
- 27/5 – Primary Athletics Carnival
- 28/5 – Cancer Council – Fruit & Veg Parents Information Session 9.30-11.00am
- 29/5 – Cancer Council-Fruit & Veg Parent Information Session 6-7.30pm
- 29/5 – PSSA Soccer Knockout

Week 6:
- 3/6 – School photos (for special groups)
- 7/3 – Change of date: Crazy Hair Day to support Cystic Fibrosis (Gold coin donation)
- 7/6 – Hunter Touch Trials (Girls & Boys)

REMINDER OF MONEY DUE
- Canberra Excursion $75.00 - due 22/05
- Life Education - $9.00
- Primary Athletics Carnival - $8.50
- Year 3 Library Visit $3.00 – due
- Kinder Cooking - $8.00
- Band Fees

Aerobics Training - $20.00
Term 2 Netball - $49.00
ICAS Exams
Star Struck Dance Costume

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE WEEK 3

Dear Parents,

School Photography
In consultation with the P&C we have decided to review our school photography company. At last night’s P&C meeting we examined several companies’ products and services and shortlisted down to three who will be invited to attend next month’s P&C meeting on Tuesday 11th June to discuss their proposals. These companies are The School Photographer who are our current school photographers, Newcastle School Portraits and Master School Photography. Any parents interested in having input into this decision are warmly invited to attend the meeting, or if you are unable to attend and would like to have some input please contact me at school.

Performing Arts
This year’s school performing arts concert will be held at school and not at the Civic Theatre as has been done previously. This decision was forced on us as our booked dates for the Civic Theatre clashed with major school sporting commitments and when we attempted to arrange alternate dates the Theatre was unable to accommodate us. However, we intend to make the best of the situation and use this as an opportunity to redesign our performance to showcase our very enthusiastic and talented students here at school and in a format where parents will see more of their own children on stage in a more intimate setting. The performances are scheduled for the final week of term 3 and further information will be provided in the near future.

Food Allergy Week 13-18 May
Did you know that 1 in 10 babies born in Australia will develop a food allergy? The Food Allergy Week website has lots of great information, ideas and resources to help you be more allergy aware. Find out more: http://www.foodallergyaware.com.au

Preparing for NAPLAN
If your child is currently in Year 3, 5, 7 or 9 at school, they’ll sit NAPLAN tests this week. Here’s an explanation of what it’s all about: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/all-about-naplan

Is your child making friends at school?
Kids who get on at school tend to be more engaged in learning. Here are some ideas on how to help your child with social skills:

Mastering Spelling
Are you checking your child’s weekly spelling homework? Try talking to your child about how you spell, and what you do when you don’t know how to spell a word. Here’s some advice about how to help your child master spelling.

Thank you.
D. Robson
Principal

Thought for the Week
Our attitude toward life determines life’s attitude towards us.
~Earl Nightingale

VIRTUES EDUCATION
This week’s virtue is RELIABILITY.
Reliability means that others can depend on you. You keep your commitments and give your best to every job. You are responsible. You don’t forget, and don’t need to be reminded. Other people can relax knowing things are in your reliable hands.

BANKING CHAMPIONS 1NB
ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 3A

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.

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 7.00pm until 8.30pm. The theme for the disco is Pop Stars and Rock Stars. The canteen will be open as well as a sausage sizzle. Any parents available to volunteer on the evening, your assistance would be greatly appreciated by the Performing Arts Committee.

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!

LIBRARY NEWS
Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to the following students who have all completed the 2013 Premier’s Reading Challenge.
Kelly Brown – Kindergarten
Gabby Brown, Maddison Jennings and Elleni Pedone – Year 1
This brings the total number of Floraville Public School students who have completed this year’s challenge to 28, with over 3 months remaining before all entries need to be complete.
Lexile Legend
Congratulations to this week’s Lexile Legend, Grace Kim – 2H.
Keep up the great work.
Lexile
Congratulations to 3/40, 4E and 4L who all received Lexile Class Awards at last week’s Primary Assembly. Congratulations also to Jaiith Bell, Carlie Perrin, Hayley Woodger and Zac Pritchard who all received a Blue Star Award (25 Lexile points).

SPORT NEWS
Seeking Sponsorship for Basketball Uniforms & Sports Singlets
We are still seeking sponsorship for the following two sports uniforms:
• our two school basketball uniforms for a total of $1,345
• a set of Floraville sports singlets that can be worn to Zone Cross Country & Zone Athletics for $1,425
Please see the pink note that went home last term which is also on the school website.

Athletics Trials Day Tomorrow
Our Athletics Trials Day was called off yesterday due to the rain and wet grounds. Our back-up day was scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday 16th May from 11:40am. All of Years 3-6 and any interested Year 2 students will walk to Marks Oval to participate in 200m, shot put and discus trials. Remember to wear your sports uniform tomorrow. Holding these heats prior to the Athletics Carnival will help to relieve the very tight time frame we have to get through so many events. The finals and remaining events will be held at the carnival on Monday 27th May. Any interested Year 2 students (who turn/have turned 8 this year) need to come and see me for a note to take home.

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Sports Coordinator

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