IMPRESSIVE DATES

This Week:
• 29/08 – K-2 Athletics Carnival
• 30/08 – ES1 Father’s Day Activities-8.00am
• 30/08 – Macquarie Cup Soccer 11.50am
• 30/08 – Macquarie Cup Netball 12pm
• 30/08 – Windale Cup Netball 1pm
• 30/08 – Hunter Athletics Carnival

Week 8:
• 02/09 – Yr 4 Wangat (Group 1)
• 03/09 – Yr 4 Wangat (Group 1)
• 04/09 – Yr 4 Wangat (Group 1 & 2)
• 04/09 – Kinder Orientation 11.45am
• 05/09 – Yr 4 Wangat (Group 2)
• 05/09 – Cricket Gala Day
• 06/09 – Yr 4 Wangat (Group 2)
• 06/09 – Soccer, Netball & League

Week 9:
• 09/09 – State Basketball Final
• 10/09 – P&C Meeting/School Council Meeting
• 11/09 – Hunter Boys Cricket Trials – Day 1
• 12/09 – Jarrod Mullen Cup
• 12/09 – Regional Public Speaking Finals
• 13/09 – Soccer, Netball & League

Week 10:
• 16/09 - School Production Stage 3
• 17/09 - School Production Kindy
• 17/09 – Regional Spelling Bee Final-Belair PS
  Junior (Stage 2)9.30-11.30am
  Senior (Stage 3)12.30-2.30pm
• 18/09 – School Production Stage 1
• 18/09 – Hunter Boys Cricket Trials-Day 2
• 18/09 – Touch Gala Day
• 19/09 - School Production Stage 2
• 19/09 - Yr 3 Camp Toukley
• 20/09 – Yr 3 Camp Toukley
• 20/09 – Soccer, Netball & League

REMAINDER OF MONEY DUE
• Year 3 Camp Toukley – Final payment $50.00
• Year 4 Wangat Lodge – Final payment overdue
• Year 5 Aussie Bush Camp - $90.00 deposit due 05/08

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE WEEK 7

Dear Parents,

Book Week and Grandparents’ Day
Last Thursday’s Book Week celebrations and Grandparents Day was spectacular. I would like to thank everyone who managed to attend on the day and everyone who had a hand in putting together the fantastic costumes we saw during the character parade. Thank you also to the canteen for doing such a great job with morning tea for all our visitors, the teachers for planning their special activities and to Mrs Southward for her organisation of the day.

Father’s Day Stall
Today’s Father’s Day stall was another huge success. The students were very enthusiastic shoppers and I’m sure all our dads can look forward to receiving some great gifts on Sunday. Thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers who organised and ran the stall so well.

Olivia’s Ride
Last week you would have received a flyer about Olivia’s Ride which is taking place on Saturday 14th September. Olivia’s ride is an opportunity to support the Live for Kids charity in their fundraising efforts and is a very worthwhile event. There is usually a strong level of support for this event from Floraville students and families. Please visit www.liveforkids.com.au for more information or to register your support.

Performances
Today you will receive letters regarding ticket purchases for our upcoming Stage Performances. Each stage will perform a separate matinee and evening performance, making 8 shows altogether over the week and each show has a separate colour-coded note. Please ensure you use the correct note for the show you want to see. The students and staff have been working hard on their shows and are excited to perform for you.

As you will appreciate, the limited seating in the hall has meant that we have to be very mindful of ensuring that all families have an opportunity to see their child/ren perform. Initially limited tickets have been allocated for each family. If you would like to purchase tickets you need to return the appropriate notes and money to school by next Wednesday (4th Sept). Seats will then be allocated through a ballot and any unsold seats will then be made available for families who wish to purchase additional tickets. Please contact the office if you have any questions about the ticketing process.

D. Robson
Principal

Thought for the Week
What you do today can change the course of your life far into the future. Today is critical. Today really counts.
~Ralph S. Marston, Jr.
This week’s virtue is FLEXIBILITY

Flexibility is being open to change. You consider others’ ideas and feelings and don’t insist on your own way. Flexibility gives you creative new ways to get things done. You get rid of bad habits and learn new ones. Flexibility helps you to keep changing for the better.

ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK – 5/6G

PREMIER’S SPELLING BEE

What wonderful spellers we have at Floraville P.S. Mr Allenby from Belmont High School and I were impressed by the efforts of all the spellers at the finals of our competition held yesterday. It’s not easy to get up in front of a crowd of people and spell difficult words but the representatives from all the primary classes managed to do it extremely well. Congratulations to our winners: Nick Vanderzee - Stage 3 and Caitlin Barnett - Stage 2. Also congratulations to the runners up: Blake Pritchard - Stage 3 and Shakayla Wardle - Stage 2. These children will now represent Floraville at the Regional Finals which will be held on Tuesday the 17th September, at Belair P.S. Good luck to all our entrants in this wonderful competition.

Spelling Bee Co-ordinator
Ms Jenny Allen

KINDERGARTEN 2014 BUDDY TRAINING

Today Year 5 students underwent training to assist them to be effective buddies to the new Kinders for 2014. They learnt how to look after the new members of our school whilst teaching them to be independent, how to comfort their buddy if he/she becomes upset and to introduce themselves to the parents of their buddy. The Kindergarten teachers are proud of the way our senior students enthusiastically embraced their new responsibilities and look forward to seeing them with the new Kinders next Wednesday as the transition to school program continues.

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2013 INFANTS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Come and share a glorious day watching your children proudly as they have fun participating in the Infants Sports Carnival.

Where: Marks Oval, Floraville

When: Thursday, 29th August from 9.30am

The canteen will be running at the oval with hot food, cakes and drinks available. The coffee van will also be attending from 10am.

Bring a picnic blanket and enjoy a picnic lunch supporting your children.

BAND

Thank you to all our wonderful band students for their hard work and commitment to the band. Our School band is sounding better every week and the students are busy learning and enjoying new pieces.

BandITs

The annual Band day in the School (BandITs) will be held on Sunday 8th September at Valentine Public School from 10am to approximately 2.30pm. This is a community event organised by the Lake Macquarie Winds and the Valentine PS Band Committee.

Meet and Greet

On Monday 9th September, we would like to invite all parents of students in the band to an afternoon tea ‘meet and greet’ from 3.15pm. This will be a great opportunity for parents to meet over a cup of tea or coffee, get to know each other and contribute ideas to future band events.

LIBRARY NEWS

Book Week and Grandparent’s Day Celebrations

Thank you to everyone who attended our Book Week and Grandparent Celebrations last week. We had a wonderful day, great weather, amazing costumes, awesome artworks and fantastic visitors. Once again, the Book fair was a huge success allowing us to purchase over $3000 worth of books for the school library.

A special thank you to the canteen volunteers and cake makers for the fantastic morning tea and lunch you prepared for our visitors.

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Just a reminder that all Premier’s Reading Challenge entries need to be complete and entered by Friday. Congratulations to Caitlyn Holland of Kindergarten, Samantha Johnson of Year 1, Zachary Towers of Year 3, Will Bradburn of Year 5 and Madeleine Towers of Year 5 who have all completed the 2013 Premier’s Reading Challenge. This brings the total number of students who have completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge this year to 75.

Lexile

Congratulations to Tobie Eeles of 1NB, James Hayman and Electra Adams of 4E who all received their Blue Lexile Awards (25 points) at last week’s assemblies.

Congratulations also to 4/5W who won the Class Lexile Award with 92% of the class participating in Lexile during the past fortnight.

SPORT NEWS

Sport Days

A reminder that all students need to wear a school hat and bring a water bottle on sports days. Please check that your name is on both of these. Please also remember to bring your asthma puffer if you require one as many sports take place off of our school grounds at Marks Oval and our surrounds.

PSSA Hockey Knock Out

Good luck to our school hockey team who compete against Nulkaba Public School tomorrow. We hope you enjoy the game and your efforts are rewarded.

Hunter Regional PSSA Athletics Carnival

Good luck to the following students who will be representing our Eastlakes Zone at the Regional Athletics Carnival this Friday at Glendale: Wil Botham in the Junior boys’ High Jump, James Johnson in the Senior boys’ 100m, Kayla Steadman in the Senior girls’ high jump, our senior boys’ relay team consisting of Jackson Hector, Ky Wilcott, William Burt, James Johnson, and our senior girls’ relay team consisting of Elise Paulin, Kayla Steadman, Erin Taylor and Sophie Tabrett.

Carly Erich

Sports Coordinator

P&C NEWS

The P&C will be holding a Spring Fete in November this year and are seeking entertainers who would like to have a stall on the day. If you are interested you could ring the office and they will pass on your details to P&C.

Complaints have been received from the residents in Chevron Close about U-tums into their street. As well as being illegal it is also dangerous for our children. Police will be patrolling this in the future.

The next P&C meeting is Tuesday 10th September.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Urgent reminder to Kindergarten parents.

Entertainment books were sent home with all kindergarten children in April, our records show there are still outstanding books. It would be appreciated if these books could be returned to school or paid for in the next few days.

Any enquiries please call Vicki McCudden – 0407 457785.

UNIFORM SHOP

If you have any second hand uniforms you no longer need that are in reasonable condition, we would love them. Please deliver to the uniform shop or the front office. The Uniform Shop is open Monday 8.30 – 9.15 am or Wednesday 2.30 – 3.15 pm.

CANTEEN NEWS

If you are available to help out in the canteen, please let us know.

Roster:

Thursday 29/08 – Sandy Green, Lee-Ann Lentfer, Narelle Masson, Sally Brown

Friday 30/08 – Chris Rapp, Toni Roberts, Kim Toll, Michelle Botham(PM)

Monday 02/09 – Kellie Christian, Jodie Horton,

Tuesday 03/09 – Katrina Halls, Lisa Wardle, Meredith Wright, Neridah Jackson

Wednesday 04/09 – Louise Grozdanovski, Jade Mifsud, Robyn Jenkins, Julia Mason