IMPORTANT DATES

Week 9
• 18/6 – Debate 1.30pm
• 19/6 – Macquarie Cup Netball & Soccer 12pm
• 19/6 – Windale Cup Rugby League 1pm

Week 10
• 22/6 – Whole School Assembly
• 22/6 – National Tree Planting Day
• 22/6 – B Team Debate
• 23/6 – Just Like You – Stage 3
• 24/6 – Oztag Gala Day
• 24/6 – Netball Gala Day
• 25/6 – Reports going home
• 25/6 – Gold Day
• 25/6 – Art Gallery 2.30pm
• 25/6 – Red Threads Day
• 25/6 – Infants Assembly 2.15pm
• 26/6 – Primary Assembly 10.20am
• 26/6 – Macquarie Cup Netball & Soccer 12pm
• 26/6 – Windale Cup Rugby League 1pm

REMAINDER OF MONEY DUE
• Canberra final payment $90 due 25/6
• Aboriginal Art Term 2
• Term 2 Aerobics fees $75

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE WEEK 9 TERM 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Trees
It was great to be able to re-open our side and rear access gates this week. It has eased some of the congestion on Floraville Rd at 3 o'clock. The team of arborists who were here last week did a wonderful job of trimming or removing trees that had been identified as potentially dangerous and even continued working through rain so that we could re-open our gates this week. The team are back at school this week and have commenced the clean-up of the larger fallen trees. Once this is complete we should see normal operations and full playground access resume.

Student Reports
Our Semester One student reports are entering the final stages of preparation and will be sent home next Thursday 25th June. The reports provide an indication of your child’s achievement so far this year across all Key Learning Areas. Achievement is reported using the 5 level A to E grading scale, where a Grade of “C” (Sound) reflects that the children are performing at the expected level for their grade.

Star Struck
Congratulations to all of our students who were involved in Star Struck last week. I’m sure there were lots of very tired but excited students after the final performance on Saturday evening. It is a big commitment but a fantastic experience for those involved.
A big thank you must go to the teachers involved as well (Mr Faulkner, Mrs Gibson, Mrs Blake, Mrs Houston and Miss O’Friel), because the students would not get the benefit of this experience without the dedication of the staff. They give up their own time to support the students (teachers don’t get overtime!)

Lost Bird
Last Thursday a cockatiel was found on the school grounds. It appears that the bird is an escaped pet as it is very comfortable around people. It is currently being cared for but we would like to return it to its owner. If you know of someone who has recently lost their bird please ask them to contact the school.

Thought for the Week
Success is about getting to the point where everyone quits and taking one more step.
~John Michael Morgan

ASSEMBLY CLASS OF THE WEEK - 1/2O

This week’s virtue is SELF-DISCIPLINE


SPORT NEWS

Athletics Age Champions
Congratulations to our Athletics Age Champions who were presented with their engraved medals at the primary assembly last Friday.
Junior Boys Age Champion: Reece McManus
Junior Girls Age Champion: Ruby Jones
11yr Boys Age Champion: Wil Botham
11yr Girls Age Champion: Riley Botham
Senior Boys Age Champion: James Downie
Senior Girls Age Champion: Carmen Rickards
Hunter PSSA Golf Trials
Luke Longworth participated in the Hunter PSSA Golf Tournament on Monday in Cessnock. He played in the 9-hole tournament with students from schools across the Hunter region. Luke played well and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. It’s great to hear of students trying new sports and hopefully it inspires others to do the same.

PSSA Hockey Gala Day
On Monday our boys’ and girls’ hockey teams played their first rounds of the PSSA Knockout at the Newcastle International Hockey Centre. Unfortunately both teams were defeated by some strong opposition. It is always pleasing to see our students try out new sports such as hockey and our teams are to be congratulated on their determination and sportsmanship throughout the day. Thank you to parents for assistance in transport and supporting our teams for training and the gala day. Congratulations on your efforts boys and girls!

31 students formed the Floraville Starstruck Choir for 2015. After STARSTRUCK 2015 WAS AMAZING!
You may have noticed that more work has been done to the Hunter Centre. Unfortunately both teams were defeated by some strong opposition. It is always pleasing to see our students try out new sports such as hockey and our teams are to be congratulated on their determination and sportsmanship throughout the day. Thank you to parents for assistance in transport and supporting our teams for training and the gala day. Congratulations on your efforts boys and girls!

Netball Gala Day - Postponed to Next Week
Unfortunately the Netball Gala Day was postponed due to the continued wet weather. It will still go ahead on the back-up day which is next Wednesday 24th June, which was specified on the original permission note. All other details remain the same. Please inform Mrs Erich if your child can no longer participate on this day so we can make sure we have enough students in their team to be able to participate. Thank you.

Carly Erich - Sports Co-ordinator

OTHER SCHOOL NEWS
COMMUNITY ABORIGINAL GARDEN
You may have noticed that more work has been done to the Community Aboriginal garden. The Sunday work crew, led by Jason, moved mountains of dirt last weekend…literally! The soil was needed to start the final stages of levelling and planting. Mr Greg Bottle and his lovely wife Kim also lent a hand and painted the background colour on the walls around the gabion seating. Mr Nolan Simon has drawn a ‘meeting place’ design which will be transferred to the wall and painted by the current Aboriginal Art class. If you have any tins of EXTERIOR paint that you could donate it would be much appreciated…any colours will do! Mrs Hadden and Mrs O’Neill will be painting the new ‘Yarning Circle’ seating THIS Friday if anyone would like to assist please let Mrs Hadden know. Thank you to Mrs Janine McDonald (School Learning Support Officer) for offering to get the painting started during the week. Cross your fingers for dry weather!
We will be planting approximately 70 plants THIS FMONDAY which have been donated by Landcare. All classes will be invited to plant and garden during the day to celebrate National Tree Planting Day which is coming up in July. Students are welcome to bring a pair of gloves on Monday.

STARSTRUCK 2015 WAS AMAZING!
31 students formed the Floraville Starstruck Choir for 2015. After long rehearsals and many hours making props for the show. The students sang their hearts out in a mass choir of 500 and demonstrated true resilience and group unity to accompany the featured vocalists through four fabulous performances. We are extremely proud of the beautiful voices our school has and the exemplary behaviour they display when performing in the wider community. It was an AMAZING adventure and one that will remain in their memories for years to come.
Special thanks to Mrs Bell for cutting out the scarves required, to the parents and school management for supporting and fostering the talent of our students in the arena of performing arts.

LIBRARY NEWS
Literacy Pro
To complete Literacy Pro quizzes, please use this link and type it directly into the address bar. bit.ly/fpslpro
If there are any problems, please contact Mrs Southward by email Louise.Southward@det.nsw.edu.au or in person.
Reading is a key feature of homework for all students and the Literacy Pro quizzes are a great way to check if students are comprehending what they’re reading.
Congratulations to the following students who received Literacy Pro Awards at last week’s Primary and Infants Assemblies.
Blue Star Awards (25 Literacy Pro points) were presented to Seth Diver 2F, Brianna Anderson 3/4L, Lainie Morrissey 3/4L, Hayley Woodger 5F, Emma Mantle 5M and Ewan McKenzie 6P. Red Star Awards (50 Literacy Pro points) were presented to Grace Kim 4E and Emma Mantle 5M. Bronze Star Awards (75 Literacy Pro points) were presented to Larna McCarthy 2/3C, Isabella Halpin 6F and Esther Kim 6F. Silver Star Awards (100 Literacy Pro points) were presented to Larna McCarthy 2/3C and Emma Mantle 5M.
Premier’s Reading Challenge
Five more students have completed the 2015 Premier’s Reading Challenge this week bringing the total number of students who have completed the Challenge to 34.
Congratulations to Mia Dorans-Knowles KG, Eli Hope KG, Lachlan Wenke KB, Ella Hope 20 and Dakota Naszka 3/4L.
The Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all students in Kindergarten to Year 6.
If you would like to lodge reading records electronically, either ‘Google’ NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge or use the following link.
www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au
Students logon using their DET usernames and passwords (this is the same as the username and passwords students use to log on to school computers).
You’ll also find more information about the Challenge on this site. Entries need to be completed by the end of August.

P&C NEWS
Just a reminder that Entertainment books are still available. It is a great time to purchase one with the school holidays just around the corner, there are savings on many children’s activities. The digital copy is very easy to use and has been recommended by those who are already saving and using the Entertainment book. The hard copy is available at the office if you prefer.

CANTEEN NEWS
Coming up: Wednesday 24th June – RED DAY
 Helpers needed for 2nd break only.

Roster
Thursday 18/6 – Renaye Dobb, Belinda Richardson, Cher Blennerhasset
Friday 19/6 – Kelly Woodger, Amanda Steadman, Angela Buddingh, Monday 22/6 – Renae Picton, Michelle O’Toole, David Richards
Tuesday 23/6 – Deb Shaw, Kay Gibson, Kate Coveny, Larissa Street
Wednesday 24/6 – RED DAY - Andrew Sweet, Sharon Sweet, Vikki Shoesmith, Michelle Keen

BANKING NEWS
Banking Champions – School Banking is every Thursday. **Helpers are required urgently**

UNIFORM NEWS
The uniform shop is open Wednesday 2.30-3.15pm.