

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 7th February Week 2 – Term 1 – 2024

Our Vision:

“To inspire confident, resilient and innovative learners to be successful in a fast changing world.”

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RISE

Respect - Integrity - Success - Empathy

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 12th Feb: 3-Way Conferences 2.15-5.30pm
- 13th Feb: 3-Way Conferences 2.15-5.30pm
- 14th Feb: WPC Year 8s visit A'Deanne's Bush
- 15th Feb: Year 7-8 Tech – Full Day
- 16th Feb: Year 7-8 Tech – Half Day
- 29th Feb: Year 7-8 Tech – Full Day
- 1st March: Year 7-8 Tech – Half Day
- 13th March: HB Rugby Coaching at school
- 18th March: EZ Swimming – Centralines Pool with Pōrangahau School
- 19th March: Bus Monitor Training – Constable Chē
- 27th-28th March: St John First Aid Training for the children
- 29th March: Good Friday – School Closed
- 1st April: Easter Monday – School Closed
- 2nd April: Easter Tuesday – School Closed
- 4th April: Year 7-8 Tech – Full Day
- 5th April: Year 7-8 Tech – Half Day
- 12th April: Last Day Term 1

FRIDAY 9th Feb LUNCH MENU

Duty Person – Jacqui Gordon
Menu - Burger

NEWSLETTER

If you no longer wish to receive a hard copy of the newsletter please let Abby know. Our newsletter can be accessed via email, on our App and on our website.

ABBYS OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tue, Wed – 8.30am-3.00pm
Thur, Fri – 8.30am-1.00pm

All dates are loaded or will be loaded onto the eTap calendar - which is in the eTap Parent App.

3-WAY CONFERENCES

WHEN: Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th February

The booking slots for these interviews are 15min long. If more time is required after this initial connection then this can be arranged with the teacher for another date.

If these dates do not suit you for a conference please contact your child's teacher to arrange a conference date that suits you better.

CONFERENCE BOOKING SLOTS ARE NOW OPEN AND AVAILABLE ON THE @SCHOOL APP UNTIL FRIDAY

If you do not have access to the @school app to book your conference please contact the teacher directly to arrange a time that suits.

The start of the year is a very important time and the more interaction we have between teachers & family/whanau & children - The stronger the combined effort and focus will be on helping the children be successful. We encourage all whanau to take part in these conferences.

Please also note that school will be finishing at 2pm on both conference days, buses will run at 2pm.

Please let me know if your child will be waiting at school or going home on the bus.

Children with interview times after 3.30pm are preferably to go home first as we have limited staff for supervision.

WILLIAM PIKE CHALLENGE TRIP

WHEN: 14th February (Wed)

WHERE: A'Deannes' Bush and Tukituki River

More information will come home shortly around this upcoming event. Many thanks to everyone for completing the permission slip.



BOOKCLUB ORDERS - DUE FRIDAY 16TH FEB

Book Club orders need to be filled by 16th Feb. Please remember **we are no longer taking cash at school** for these orders. Book Club can now only accept credit/debit card or internet banking payments for orders.

Books can be ordered and paid for either on the Scholastic LOOP web page (register at <https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz>) or by using the scholastic LOOP app. The orders will arrive at school as usual.

SWIMMING 2024:

It is expected that all children will take part in the swimming programme every afternoon. If your child is not swimming - due to illness or injury - please provide a note or email for them to present to the teacher. Thank You.

- **EZ Swimming Competition** with Porangahau School
 - **Whole School – ALL STUDENTS**
 - **Monday, 18th March,** - at AW Parsons Pool, Waipukurau 10.30am - 2pm
- **CHB Interschool Swimming Competition:**
 - **Friday, 22nd March** – School Team Selection at AW Parsons Pool



Centralines Pool is being currently being upgraded and is expected to be ready for the school swimming sports – I will update if there is any change to the timeline.

SIGNING CHILDREN OUT FROM SCHOOL

If you are picking up children before the school day finishes All parents/caregivers need to sign their children out. There is a Whiteboard on the office counter. Thank You.

Before and After School organisation

I thought it was timely to remind everyone what happens before and after school

Before School – Duty teacher starts at 8.30am

- When children arrive at school they put their bags away and prepare themselves for the day and then head outside – If it is wet then that is managed at the time by the teachers in class.
- If they arrive before 8.30am they are restricted to the Tennis Court and corner playground – Once the duty teacher starts they can go out to the other playgrounds.
- There will always be a teacher here for the early bus which arrives around 8.05am.
- All other buses arrive after 8.30am

After School – Duty teacher finishes at 3.15pm once the last bus leaves, which is the run up Tourere Rd.

If children are being picked up they wait up on the Hall verandah until the buses have gone and then they go to the corner playground and wait to be picked up there – whether by family/whanau or the Tourere bus.





HOUSE LEADERS (pictured right)

We are looking forward to supporting these children to do the best they can for their Houses along with the support of other seniors in their house groups.

- **Rata Leaders:** Boschi King and Penny Miller
- **Kowhai Leaders:** Aurora Gabrielle and Georgie Wilson
- **Ngaio Leaders:** Harry Taylor and Jack Barrett
- **Hinau Leaders:** Jacob McDonald and Sienna Santiago

Good Citizens

		
Aimee-Lee Hema-Stewart	Bess Cullwick	Archie Clark
For being respectful and helpful to people when asked.	For being a fantastic support to new students at our school.	For showing empathy to a fellow student

RISE

RESPECT – INTEGRITY – SUCCESS – EMPATHY

Just a reminder about the work we started at the beginning of 2023 and ended with the new school values which was a fantastic journey – This has all been part of developing **School Wide PB4L – Positive Behaviour for Learning**.

From a staff perspective we will continue on with developing the **Matrices/Tables** of our **Values** and what the **Expectations** are in various settings – Not that we didn't know already but this is the process of making it very clear and accessible for everyone.

We started with **RESPECT** and have started the review of what we have done and looking at unpacking our other Values

The settings at this stage are:

In General, In the Classroom, In The Grounds, In Assembly, When Transitioning from one activity to another, On the Bus, When at school events. These could change as we go along but it gives a general understanding of how the Values link into PB4L and what our Expectations are in a particular setting.

This will lead into the development of lessons that each teacher can use to give the children clear and consistent understanding of how to conduct themselves.

GOTCHAs are an integral part of the PB4L process

- GOTCHAs are given to children for displaying the things that we **VALUE** at Flemington – aligning with RISE
- We have introduced another aspect of this with the **playground RISE GOTCHA** which are given to children during break times. These are a shorter term award system at this stage.
- The Playground RISE awards go into a container in the office and are drawn out randomly, with an ice block for those drawn out.
- The main GOTCHAs will be awarded mainly in class at this stage and at assembly each week one from each class are drawn out to select something from the Prize Box.
- All GOTCHAs given out that week get counted and added to each child's cumulative total with further awards given for reaching 25, 50, 75 or 100 GOTCHAs during the year – So if they do not get drawn out at weekly assembly their GOTCHAs will still count!

TECHNOLOGY CENTRE REQUEST

The Technology Centre is after empty plastic bottles with lids. Ideal bottles include 600ml fizzy drink bottles and 500ml cream bottles. Smaller bottles such as 300ml are great too. Ideally the bottle has a tapered design.

Please can you bring clean bottles to school and they will be delivered to the Tech Centre with the Year 7 and 8 students on their next visit.

Why do they want plastic bottles? For their first project this year which is making Fly Fans. To reduce plastic waste going to landfill the Tech Centre would like to reuse rather than buying new ones. The bottles will house the electrical circuits and support the motor that will drive the fan.

'Gotcha' Awards

Students caught displaying the school

		
Griffin Wilson	Molly Andersen	Verdi Ormond

