

# FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 20th November Week 6 – Term 4 – 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**

- 20th Nov: Our Kids Online session: 1.30pm, 3.15pm, 5pm, 6.30pm
- 26th Nov: Mud Run debrief 7pm in staffroom
- 26th-28th Nov: Ngawaka Camp (Wakarara)
- 27th-29th Nov: Yr 8's WPC Guthrie Smith Camp
- 3rd Dec: Elsthorpe Invitational Cricket Tourny
- 5th Dec: Yr 7 & 8's Tech – Half Day (am)
- 6th Dec: International day at school – The School travels to an overseas destination
- 9th Dec: Junior rooms 'Big Day Out' (Purimu, Ngahape) – Ranui Farm Park
- 11th Dec: BOT Meeting 6.30pm
- 12th Dec: Yr 7 & 8 Tech – Half Day (am)
- 12th Dec: End of Year Reports sent home
- 13th Dec: Prizegiving - 1pm in the Hall
- 17th Dec: Last Day for 2024 – 1pm finish

### **LUNCH MENU - FRIDAY 22nd Nov**

**Duty Person** – Kate de Lautour

**Menu** – American Hotdog

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

### **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

**Kia ora koutou katoa,**

Well what a fantastic day on Sunday – the weather played ball (pretty much) and there were heaps of people having fun getting 'Stuck In' to the mud!! With 770 registered runners, it was up on last year, which is amazing. The comments from everyone was that it was awesome and so much fun – but quite challenging. People came from far and wide to take part and with so many returning runners – or walkers – it is definitely a must do event. It didn't really matter how fast they got around the course but just completing it was great. The effort put into the huge range of costumes is always exceptional. I didn't recognize many of the kids from school, because their costumes were so good. Well done to everyone taking part and all the work that went into making it happen.

We had a great day at the CHB Athletics competition yesterday. The whole team represented themselves and Flemington School with pride. They competed hard and we had a number of finalists but there are also some strong athletes across our CHB schools so there was tough competition for all involved. Running it during the day was definitely a winner and that will be the norm going forward.

We had a very worthwhile visit over to Colyton School on Monday, getting some great ideas but also seeing a lot that reaffirmed what the teachers and learning assistants are doing at Flemington. The discussions happening during the time we were there were great to be part of. Have a great rest of the week and I hope everyone has a great weekend – Phil.

### **CHB INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS TEAM**

Congratulations to Georgie Wilson, Verdi Ormond, Frankie Tennent, Harry Taylor, Jacob McDonald, Jack Barrett, Alex Tosswill, Bailey Cosgrove, Freya Meuli, Natalia Stewart, Bess Cullwick, Miles Hall, Ben Peacock, Patch Tennent, Hector Ormond, Maddie Miller, Phoebe Andersen, Lily Taylor, Francis Poi, Lewes Stewart and Henry Russell who all represented Flemington at the Interschool Athletics competition yesterday. This team all competed really well with Maddie, Phoebe and Patch making it into the finals in their races. We look forward to seeing the official results!

### **SWIMMING POOL ACCESS and MONITORING over the Christmas Break**

Help is needed to monitor the pool of the Christmas Break.

To keep the pool available for families/whanau to access it over the Christmas break it needs to be monitored and the testing done. If you can help to do this, please get in contact with Abby in the office or me – Thank you Phil.

Families wanting to access the pool on weekends or over the holidays will need to get a key from school once the pool is open for swimming. To access a key you will need to sign for it and also there will be a bond of \$10 per key.

### **OUR KIDS ONLINE – ROB POPE**

**Thanks for everyone that has been able to make it along to one of the sessions so far. It would be great to get someone from each family/whanau to get to one of the remaining sessions on the 20th.**

- **Wed 20th Nov:** 1.30pm, 3.15pm, 4.45pm and 5pm and 6.30pm

There are 6 short videos, totalling about 85mins, covering Rob's live sessions, so quite a doable length of time.

This is the Promo video of his session [Our Kids Online Parent Evening](#)



Olivia potting up some tomato seedlings in the schools greenhouse.

## Good Citizens



**Moses Hodge**

For having a positive attitude in all areas of school. Well done, such a great start to school!



**Gus Hunter**

For being such a good helper tidying up rubbish at the end of athletics.



**Chelsea Hartstone**

For a great effort at Easter Zone Athletics

### MUD RUN 2024

We are so chuffed to announce that we held yet another successful Mud Run event in the weekend!

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a huge thank you to our committed PFG committee members who have put in many volunteer hours over the last 6 months fine turning this event.

Thank you to our amazing school whanau who, when the call for help was made, didn't hesitate to come along to help get the course and all those obstacles built.

A shout out also to all the fabulous marshals who helped keep our participants on the right track. We had to round up 70 this year which we thought would be a big call but once again our supportive community stepped up and filled all the gaps – we are so grateful!

We had 770 registered participants this year which once again exceeds our total from the previous year! Total earning from the day are still being tallied up by our very busy treasurer, Dani Miller but it is safe to say this was another successful day that will go well towards supporting our children next year.

Many thanks to the Barrett whanau for again opening up your gates and letting us make a muddy mess and the Polo Club for the use of the club house.

To all our school whanau, thank you for selling raffle tickets, donating food

items, sharing facebook posts, bidding on auctions, picking up items needed, offers of help on the day...every little bit helps and it doesn't go unnoticed, so thank you!

Over the next couple of weeks our children will be writing thank you cards to all our generous sponsors who help to make this such a successful event. It is important that our children are a part of this thank you process and we know our sponsors love receiving these cards. We will be having a **Mud Run debrief meeting Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm at school** for anyone wishing to come along and share any feedback and maybe a little celebration (and a sigh of relief) for a job well done and knowing we are done for another year ☺ Everyone welcome. Cheers Abby (PFG Chair)

### LEARNING ASSISTANT (TEACHER AIDE) – EXCITING OPPORTUNITY

Anna is unfortunately not going to be available for a few months so we are on the lookout for an awesome person to fill her shoes through to the end of the year and the first term next year – If you have a passion for helping and supporting the children and teachers achieve success for all - then give me a ring.

It may be that someone can fill in for the rest of this term but not next year. That could definitely be an option as well – or visa-versa – so don't let that stop you from giving me a call - Phil 027 7752404

### CAMPS AND TRIPS STILL TO HAPPEN: Two next week and the Big Day out a couple of weeks away

- **Ngawaka:** Tues 26th Nov to Thurs 28th Nov – The Year 4-5s are heading up to Camp Wakarara
- **William Pike Challenge Wilderness Camp:** Wed 27th Nov to Fri 29th Nov: The Year 8s are heading up to the wilderness camp at Guthrie Smith Outdoor Education Centre at Tutira.
- **Big Day Out:** Purimu and Ngahape are heading up to Ranui Park on Monday 9th December for the day.

### SWIMMING

We are still not getting enough consistent increase in the temp to look at swimming but the pool just needs a vacuum and it is ready to go.



### SCHOOL YEAR DATES

**2024** – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December - Prize Giving 1pm

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Last day of school, 1pm finish

**2025** - School will **start back on Monday 3rd February** and **finish on Wednesday 17th December** (Prize Giving Wednesday 17th December)

### LIBRARY BOOKS RETURN

We are nearing the end of the year when we do our annual library stocktake. **Can all school library books please be returned by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> of November.** The school library will be closed after this date. Any missing library books after the stocktake is completed will be charged to your child's levy account.

If anyone is able to come and help with our library stocktake please let Abby know.

### 2024 BREAK-UP - PRIZEGIVING

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, at 1pm.**

Parents, grandparents, families, and the community are all invited to this year's end-of-year prize-giving where we will 'celebrate achievement and successes'.

Please join us in the Hall at **12.45 for a 1pm start. The children will wear their school uniform for prize giving.**

**All families are invited to the Polo Grounds after Prizegiving for some refreshments (bar open)**

Last Day of School - Tuesday 17th December – **Buses will run at 1pm.**

## 'Gotcha!' Awards

*Students caught displaying the school values in the playground*



**Storm Thomson**



**Archie Gunn**



**Eleanor Paget**



**Hugh Paget**