

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 27th November Week 7 – 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

- 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: School Prizegiving - 1pm in the Hall
- 17th Dec: Last Day for 2024 – 1pm finish
- 3rd Feb: Monday - First Day Term 1 2025

LUNCH MENU - FRIDAY 29th Nov

Duty Person – Kate Cullwick

Menu – Sausage & Bread

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,

Summer seems to have arrived, although the pool is still pretty cold but I am sure we will be in it next week! The end of the year is closing in fast and there is still plenty happening. Ngawaka headed off bright eyed and bushy tailed yesterday and had a 'blast' at Lex and Angela Severinsen's museum and Medieval weapons display. It is an amazing spot to visit and the stories that Lex recounts about his adventures around the world are definitely worth hearing. He has black powder cannons, trebuchets, a number of multi large arrow weapons – truly awe-inspiring. And the entry they charge all gets donated to the Fred Hollows Foundation - a great cause.

I have headed off today with the Year 8s for their William Pike Wilderness camp in Tutira for the next three days, so the school will be a quiet space through to the end of the week. The Year 8s will be challenged with high ropes, Bell Rock tramp, gorging, Canadian canoeing and a walk through the Kiwi sanctuary at Lake Opouahi – while camping in tents and surviving on tramping food, an adventure for all!

Thank you for all the families/whanau that were able to get someone to one of the **Our Kids Online** sessions I ran over the last few weeks – we had 24 families represented which is great. I don't think I will be able to run any more before the end of the year but I will run some again in Term 1 so if you were not able to attend one there will be some more chances to do so. Our resource Teacher for Behaviour and Learning also made it and brought some others with her to one of the sessions – they felt it was essential they came along to be up with the play.

I wasn't able to make it last night to the PFG's Mud Run debrief meeting – but I just want to say a HUGE thanks to Abby Taylor, the PFG exec, committee and many others who put a huge amount of time and effort into the Mud Run which help fund the support for everyone's children attending Flemington School – THANK YOU. Once again have a great rest of the week and weekend – Phil

Good Citizens



Parker Gordon

For inspiring others with your shared knowledge.



Frankie Tennent

For always being so nurturing towards younger tamariki in the playground.



Olivia McLean

For always going out of your way be helpful.

ACCESS TO THE SCHOOL POOL OVER THE HOLIDAYS

Many thanks to Nic Syme who has offered to take care of our school pool over the holidays, much appreciated Nic.

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.

If the temperatures stay like this we hope to be swimming next week...so get those togs ready!



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 this Friday 29th 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.

LINEWIZE – A reminder after running the Our Kids Online sessions

We subscribe to Linewize at school as an extra layer of protection and monitoring of technology at school. It is a worldwide company focused on Digital Safety and Wellbeing in the connected world. The core tools we have access to at school and at home are:

- **SCHOOL MANAGER & MONITOR**

This allows the school to ensure students use the internet on school IT safely and effectively. This can also protect school devices and accounts 24/7, to support safer learning at home.

- **CLASSWIZE**

Helps teachers guide internet access during lessons, improving focus and reducing digital distractions.

- **ONLINE SAFETY HUB + PARENT APP 'Qustodio'**

Provides the entire school community with education and a free parent app to protect 2 children's personal devices at home. You set it up with your device as the parent – which then gains control of the Child Device.

As part of being part of the Linewize you have access to an **Online Safety Hub- Please Bookmark this on your devices:** www.flemington.onlinesafetyhub.nz

- Go to the **Parent Tab** at the top on the right
- Scroll down the page until you see **Qustodio Parent App** and **Create a Free Account**

The Online Safety Hub is a portal with tools and resources to engage, educate and empower the entire school community, and help build a positive digital culture.

There is a heap of great information from the 'Qustodio Parental Control App' and articles about a broad range of Tech and Internet queries, through to App & Game reviews.



PURIMU AND NGAHAPE 'BIG DAY OUT' – RANUI FARM

Who: Purimu & Ngahape children

When: Monday 9th December

Where: Ranui Farm Park

An email went home today to our Junior room whanau with information about the upcoming 'Big Day Out' trip to Ranui Farm Park. This is a super fun day out for our little ones to celebrate a year of great learning and friendships! Fingers crossed the weather plays ball and our tamariki can enjoy all the activities ☺ **Please complete the permission slip on the @school App asap.**



ELSTHORPE INVITATIONAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

This is the third year for this tournament and is happening on Tuesday 3rd Dec, at the Elsthorpe Domain.

This is a round robin type competition with many schools invited. Players taking part this year have been notified and need to **complete the permission slip asap** so transport can be organised. With some many cricket players at Flemington, not everyone can be involved in one year. Good luck to the team heading over for the day.



Making camp memories!

Left: Our Year 8's on their last WPC trip to Tutira today.
Right: Ngawaka students left for camp Wakarara yesterday



2024 BREAK-UP - PRIZEGIVING

Friday 13th 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 Prizегiving 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



Georgia King



Miles Hall



Alex Tosswill



What's on every kids Santa list this year?...a Mud Run hat ofcourse! If you would like to grab one please let Abby know (I can be discrete!).
\$20each – pink or blue writing.