

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 30th May Week 1 – Term 2 – 2025

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:

- 1st May: Yr 7-8 STEM 1.30pm - early lunch for them
- 2nd May: CHB Swim-a-thon – 5.30pm Centralines Pool
- 5th May: School Photos – **WEAR UNIFORM**
- 8th May: Yr 7-8 STEM 1.30pm - early lunch for them
- 8th May: Jae Whelan onsite – Whitebait Freshwater Project
- 13th May: Yr 8's - CHB College Open Day
- 13th May: Hall AGM 5.30pm
- 14th May: Yr 7-8 Tech 1.30pm - early lunch for them
- 20th May: Board meeting 6.30pm
- 20th May: Aaron Greaves – Yr 8 Pounamu workshop
- 20th May: Juniors Fresh Water Field trip (PD 10 June) - Ed Mackie Blackhead Rd with Porangahau juniors
- 21st May: Seniors Fresh Water Field trip (PD 11 June) - Ed Mackie Blackhead Rd with Porangahau seniors
- 21st May: Yr 7-8 Tech 1.30pm - early lunch for them
- 22nd May: Young Writers Workshop
- 28th May: Garth Sherwood from CHB College visit 10.30am
- 28th May: Yr 7-8 Tech 1.30pm - early lunch for them
- 2nd June: Kings Birthday – School Closed
- 5th June: Local whenua of significance - Dave Chadwick-Ben Hodge farm visit
- 9th June: PFG AGM 7pm in the staffroom
- 17th June: Board meeting 6.30pm
- 20th June – Matariki – School Closed
- 27th June - Last Day Term 2

FRIDAY 2nd LUNCH MENU

Duty Person – Abby Taylor

Menu – American Hotdog

ATTACHMENTS

- Term Calendar
- Lunch order form

2025 TERM DATES

Term 3: 14th July to 19th September

Term 4: 6th October to 17th December
(Wednesday) – Prize Giving Wednesday
16th December – 1pm

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

Kia ora koutou katoa

We have had a great start to the term - children and weather wise - although it looks like that is over weather wise! Great rain though and it's Duck Shooting opening weekend this week – the ducks will be out sitting in the puddles in the paddocks and not on the dams! The children seem to be full of laughter and enjoying being back at school. There are still a handful of painted rocks to find – they are being quite elusive! The Golden Rock is one of those elusive ones – the kids got their first clue today - It is above the teacher's knee height and below head height. We have carried on with the lunchtime tidy and clearing of the grounds with it all happening very quickly and efficiently now, which is great to see.

There were lots of Flemington children at the Winter Olympics, whether competing or just being there having fun. We had some Year 8s helping out as well, doing some Community Service for their William Pike Challenge, and they did a fantastic job. Winter Sports are firing up over the next couple of weeks, with practices happening at school for some Hockey, Netball and Rugby teams.

Once again we have a few things on the calendar for the term and being a 9 Week term with a couple of short weeks, it will fly by. Opting to participate in the Gym festival every second year, so not taking part this year has taken a bit of pressure off the schedule. The Year 7-8 kids are quite excited about taking on the Peer Mediator roles, which will start next week. Nicola has been working with them and they will be in pairs and rotate over a 10 day period – so one day of duty in that time. The pairings will rotate as well so they are paired up with a different person each time they are on mediator patrol. Lots of great learning about resolving issues and being a leader. They will only be focused on the junior area of the school as they start on this new leadership journey.

The staff want to put in a big plug for our amazing Learning Assistants – Sonia and Nicki – for the work they do supporting the learning of the children at school. They have such an open attitude to learning how they can best support the teachers and children, going that extra mile, and are always such great team members ☺. Have a great rest of the week - **Phil**

FRIDAY LUNCHES

Coming home with this newsletter is the order form and menu for Term 2 Friday lunches. If your child wishes to have Friday lunches, please fill out the order form and **return to school or email by Thursday 8th May - especially if you are wanting an American Hotdog this week.**

Friday lunches are a school camp fundraiser so the money made goes towards helping cut the costs of your child's school camp...plus it is a morning off making school lunches! Each lunch comes with a small lemonade ice block.

We need parent helpers for the Friday lunches so if you are able to be added to our duty roster, please let Abby know - this is normally just twice a year if we can get enough helpers ☺



SCHOOL PHOTOS

WHEN: Monday 5th May



Can all tamariki please wear correct school uniform to school for school photo's this Monday 6th May.

PhotoLife will be at school first thing that morning to start taking our photos.

Please return your sibling/whanau photo form asap if you are wanting a sibling/whanau photo taken.

CHB COLLEGE OPEN DISCOVERY DAY

WHEN: Tuesday 13th May 9.30am to 2.30pm

The Discovery Day is for all **Year 8** students in Central Hawke's Bay to go along to the College and experience life in the co-educational secondary environment. College Prefects and Year 9 student hosts will share their experiences with the Year 8's. Teachers will be on hand to talk to along with tours of the College and department activities. Parents are also very welcome to attend the day – or parts of the day. **A permission form will be available soon for this on the @School App**



WINTER OLYMPICS THANK YOU

A huge thank to everyone who helped with the Winter Olympics fundraiser! We had a great day at the food tent selling lots of delicious home baking, breakfast oats, drinks, lollies and hot food – it was a busy! Our helpers were so awesome so thank you for being part of this day 😊
A special shout out to Maddy McLean who lead the organising of this for the PFG, she did a fabulous job and we really appreciate all the time and effort she put in 😊 Pictured are some of our Year 8's who helped on the day as part of their William Pike volunteer hours – great mahi guys!

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL CENTENARY TIME CAPSULE

After mentioning the Flemington School Time Capsule in my retirement blurb in the newsletter I have had a few queries about it. The Time Capsule that was buried as part of the 2008 Centenary celebrations and is due to be dug up in 2033 as part of the 125 year Celebration - A Quasiquicentennial.

A document with some pics and GPS Coordinates of its burial location will be sent out with the emailed newsletter. Phil.

2025 TRIENNIAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

The proposed common election date is Wednesday 10th September. The Board will confirm what date we will use at the next board meeting.

- Even although it seems to be still some way off - It won't take long for the date to be right in front of your all.
- The election cycle is later in the year due to the being pushed out in the 2022 election cycle.
- **Sue Hewitt** has been appointed as the Returning Officer for these elections.
- The 3 Yearly Elections mean that all 5 Elected Parent Representative Positions are re-elected. Some of the current members are stepping down and some are standing again so there will be positions to fill.
- The Staff Representative is also re-elected at this time even though Paula von Dadelszen was appointed through a by-election at the start of the year
- 5 Elected Parent Representatives is our board's allocation under our Constitution but any board can co-opt or select other people on to the board at their discretion for a variety of reasons – as long as the number of them does not exceed the number of elected members.
- Ben Percival was co-opted on in October last year for 3 years so he remains on the board and his position is not part of the upcoming election process.
- You don't have to be a parent to be nominated to go on a school board - **BUT ONLY Parents or Legal Guardians can vote in the elections.**
- Please think seriously about offering your services for the good of the school and your children.

There is lots of info on this page and there are some great videos about being a member of a School Board.

<https://www.schoolboardelections.org.nz/becoming-a-board-member/>

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP

Term 2 can be quite a busy term when it comes to after school pick up's due to all the winter sports and practices taking place during the week. All regular weekly pick-ups are recorded on our bus lists but if there are any changes to your child's travel plans after school can you let the office know asap. Keeping our bus lists as updated and accurate as possible limits any delays in the buses departing. We cannot take messages passed on by the child, **travel plans need to come from a parent or caregiver.**

NEW STUDENTS



We have had a busy start to the term with new tamariki starting at Flemington.

We welcome Emerson Willis who turned 5yrs old in the holidays and has now officially started in Purimu – how can you not love that smile!. Emerson is the oldest of her siblings so welcome Willis whanau to your Flemington School journey!

George Wynn has moved to us from Waipawa School and has joined Ngahape class. We have loved watching you confidently fit in George! George's parents Jessie and Kade have moved to Epae road, welcome to the community Wynn's!

Angus and Jordie Wills have started in Rotohiwi and Ngahape classes. Their whanau Ben and Jamiee have moved to Mangoarapa, welcome back to the community Will's whanau! Angus and Jordie have both made fast friends in and out of the classroom 😊



SPORT DRAWS

Netball – Games start this Saturday 3rd May.

Please check with your team coach for game times or follow this link - <https://www.hawkesbaynetball.co.nz/centralmeff>

Rugby – Games start Saturday 10th May. Draws - follow the Junior Rugby Facebook page or visit <https://www.sporty.co.nz/chbjrc/#>

Hockey – Games start next week (week 2)

Football – Please follow the CHB Junior Football Club Inc Facebook page to keep informed.