

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 7th May Week 3 – 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:

- 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
- 16th May: Pink Shirt Day
- 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 9th LUNCH MENU

Duty Person – Shells Miller

Menu – Sausage & Bread

Board Elections will be held in September!

Winter Sports have begun!
Good luck to all our teams,
represent our school with
pride, play hard and most
importantly – have fun!

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

Kia ora koutou katoa

Another week gone and the kids have continued on with their great attitude and spirit which is awesome. As part of the PB4L programme (Positive Behaviour for Learning) we now have the Peer Mediators in the playground. This involves a couple Year 7-8 students in this role who wandering around the junior areas of the school grounds during break times helping the with anything they may need help with. They wear bright pink Peer Mediator vests so they are really easy to spot and they have been doing a great job. The seniors have loved this responsibility and the juniors have really enjoyed having them about and helping out.

The Year 7-8s had a great STEM session last week in the hall with one of the new technology teachers; Ben Philpott. He had his travelling kit and sets up in the Community Hall. They have another session tomorrow and then will have 3 sessions of Technology with Rachel Smith and Ben. It sounds like there was a bit of variation around how well the duck hunting went across the motu last weekend with everyone getting some ducks but some got quite a few!

The rest of the winter sports get underway this week after a strong start from the netballers last Saturday - who led the way! Good luck to all our teams!

I will be away next week with the middle-senior teachers and learning assistant in Palmerston North for three days of Professional Learning with Liz Kane focused on Structured Literacy. We are really looking forward to reinforcing our knowledge and skills, while also building more of that knowledge and those skills.

The Golden Rock is still proving to be quite elusive – the Clue this week was 'I am stuck between hot and cold' which has caused some quite quizzical looks as the kids continue on the quest to find it.

Have a great rest of the week – **Phil**



PINK SHIRT DAY

WHEN: Friday 16th May

We will be supporting Pink Shirt Day by encouraging all students to wear something pink, wear anything pink from dresses to face paint! By supporting this cause we are helping to stamp out bullying where ever it may happen and celebrate diversity by promoting kindness and inclusion. We look forward to seeing a sea of pink on Friday 16th!

We are not asking for gold coin donations – It is about supporting the kaupapa of the message.

There are some great resources on the Pink Shirt Day website and talking with children, yours and others, at home and at school, is such a big part of making a difference for children and how they feel about themselves and others - and the actions that they take.

<https://www.pinkshirtday.org.nz/>



Good Citizens!



Colby Andersen

For always including younger peers and caring for those in need.



James Hoyt-Swinburn

For consistently displaying the RISE values.



Pip Wilson

For great manners and consistently displaying the RISE values.

LEVY ACCOUNTS

Statements for Levy Accounts were sent out at the end of last term. Can payments for these please be made asap. If you have any questions about your account please don't hesitate to ask me - Mistakes happen so it is always good to check ☺ If you would like to set up an automatic payment please let me know when it will start. Thank you – Abby



WINTER SPORTS UNIFORM

This is a reminder to all students representing our school to please be in correct school sports uniform. Year 8's may wear their leavers jerseys, the rest of our netball, hockey and football players need to be in their school jerseys.

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. Parents are also very welcome to attend the day – or parts of the day. **Please complete the permission form on the @School App.**



WHITEBAIT FRESH WATER PROJECT – FIELD TRIP

Jae Whelan from Sustainability HB is facilitating the project at school and is a follow on from last year's trip and learning. Jae has been in and connected with the classes yesterday and was very impressed with what the kids recalled from last year as well as their general understanding of the importance of protecting our freshwater resource.

We combine with Pōrangahau School on the trips, which is great, and we are heading out to Ed Mackie's farm on Blackhead road.

The schools will be split into 2 groups for the **field trips: Tuesday 20th May (Yrs 1-4) and Wednesday 21st May (Yrs 5-8).**

There will be lots of stations testing various aspects of the waters health on the field trips. Which will be great authentic activities for the children to see how healthy the water is – Whitebait are used as the focus because they rely so much on good quality fresh water.

Jae will have some helpers on the day but we will also a number of parents on those two days to help man the stations– please earmark them on your calendars now. A permission slip will be available on the @school app closer to the time.

OUR KIDS ONLINE – ROB COPE

Hopefully everyone got the email with the access info for Rob's Parent Online Portal last week. The weekly **2- Minute Tuesday** has gone out today as well. All great information for parents/caregivers to have – I can't emphasise enough how important it is for families/whanau to understand and know what being Online can mean for kids – especially Social Media.

If you didn't receive last weeks email or need help logging in to the Parent Portal please get back in touch with me. Phil.



SCHOOL VISIT - MIKE BUTTERICK MP FOR WAIRARAPA

Mike has reached out to organise a visit to Flemington School and he will be here on **Monday 19th May, at 1.30pm** to have a chat and wonder around the school. He is keen for any community members to come along and have a chat with him so please join us.



'Gotcha' Awards

Students caught displaying the school values



Maia Sciascia



Jake Brennan



Eleanor Paget



Daniel Brennan

Well done to our Interschool Tennis team, Charlotte, Verdi and Lachie, who placed 2nd in the A grade competition last term. They were just one point behind the first place!

A special mention went to our B Grade team also – Pip, Archie W and Harriet for their consistent effort and positivity. While the scores did not always reflect it, the close games and determination on display were commendable.

SPORT DRAWS

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

Rugby – Draws are out – Please check with your coach, follow the Junior Rugby Facebook page, visit <https://www.sporty.co.nz/chbjrc/#> for games times and venue.

Hockey – Fun Sticks 9am – Saturday's 10am St Joseph's school turf. Kwik – 3.45pm 7th May. Mini – 3.45pm 8th May.

Kiwi - Yr5 5.10pm 8th May, Yr6 4.25pm 8th May.

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