

# FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 28th May Week 5 – 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:

- 29th May: Carol Slingsby follow up clay glazing
- 29th May: Jack Gay from HB Rugby doing rugby session with students
- 2nd June: **Kings Birthday – School Closed**
- 3rd June: Yr 8 WPC – Gum Tree Park activities
- 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
- 14th July – First Day Term 3
- 22nd July – Board meeting 6.30pm
- 30th July – Onga 7's Tournament (Yr 5-8) – Postponement date 31<sup>st</sup> July

## FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup> LUNCH MENU

Duty Person – Jo Paget

Menu – American Hotdog

**Board Elections will be held in September!**

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

## Kia ora koutou katoa

Another week goes by and not a lot of rain so let's hope there is a bit coming along the pipeline. We had a great session with Robyn McCann last night around Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) and how it links to the Science of Learning and the 3 days of PLD we did with Liz Kane around structured literacy a couple of weeks ago.

Robyn really helped us to see the links between all of the strategies and actions we use, and do, on a daily basis as teachers to support the children's learning and linking that to the purpose of PB4L. Then working through how the Science of Learning underpins it all in regard to how we all learn new knowledge and then how we transfer that new learning into the children's long-term memory so it sticks. Building the knowledge and skills that are in a child's long-term memory is the ultimate goal of teaching. One of those key aspects is the physical layout of the learning environment – the classroom. Some of the children may have come home over the last week or so talking about some changes in the classroom:

- All facing the area where the teaching is being done – the front of the classroom
- Arranging the desks or tables to support this – desks are ideal for this but tables can be used as well – but only sitting on one side of them so they are facing the teacher and teaching area.
- Minimising distraction in that teaching space – clearing it of things that could distract and child – some are much more easily distracted than others.

Just a bit more about short term memory, or working memory - It is where information is stored temporarily while we work with it such as doing calculations in your head, like figuring out the cost of groceries – this relies on working memory to hold the prices while you do the calculations – if you don't know the timetables then some of your working memory is used to remember how to work it out – now it has to hold the numbers and the calculation process – it can get overloaded at this stage and some of the prices drop out of your memory.

Working memory can only hold a few bits of information at a time – typically 5 to 9 bits and only hold them there for maybe 30sec, so it is quite limited. Through good instruction and repetitive learning, we can move and embed it in children's long-term memory, where it can be retrieved as needed. There is lots going on in the brain when learning is happening! **Phil**

## **Good Citizens!**



**Carter Stewart**

For being a kind and respectful friend to his peers.



**Phoebe Andersen**

For displaying integrity and a great attitude in the ripper rugby tournament.



**Miles Hall**

For consistently displaying the RISE values at school.

## **TAKAPAU BAREFOOT 7S RUGBY TOURNAMENT - CANCELLED**



Many thanks to those who completed the permission form for this tournament. Unfortunately due to low numbers being able to attend we will be unable to take part this year

**Please return your issued rugby jersey to the office.**

## **WILLIAM PIKE CHALLENGE**

**WHO:** Year 8 Students

**WHEN:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 9.30am

**WHERE:** Gum Tree Park

Our Year 8's will be heading to Gum Tree Park on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June to complete their next William Pike activity. They will be taking part in mountain biking and orienteering during the session. The Yr 8's will be transported by mini van to this event (many thanks to the PFG for funds to cover this transport) but we do require parent helpers on the day. At this stage we are planning to transport the bikes from school on a trailer. **Please complete the permission slip on the @School App for this.**



## LEARNING ASSISTANT CHANGE

We welcomed Anna Hare back into school on Monday as she returns to her learning assistant role supporting the teaching and learning programme at school. It is great to have her back and carrying on her great mahi. A big thank you to Nicki Harding who has done an awesome job of stepping into that role since the start of the year. We have been very fortunate to have such high quality people in the learning assistant positions over the years – It is such an important role and the willingness to learn and grow themselves has been a joy to watch and support.

## PORANGAHU SPORTS CLUB DONATION

We have been fortunate enough to once again receive a generous donation of \$500 to go towards our tamariki's winter sports subs from the Porangahau Sports Club. We sincerely appreciate the Clubs contribution to our young athletes' sports subs as every bit helps keep these costs down for our whanau.



## PARENTS & FRIENDS GROUP (PFG) AGM

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 7pm in the school staffroom**

It's that time of the year again! The AGM for our awesome school fundraising committee – the PFG.

The PFG is a dedicated group of parents and caregivers who help organise events and raise funds that directly benefit our tamariki. The PFG plays a vital role in enhancing our students' school events, extracurricular programs and essential resources!

Whether your brand new or have been part of our school for years, we need you! Your ideas and support are welcome and valued, so come along to our AGM and join our committee — no cliques, no pressure, just a shared love for our kids' success! And it's a great way to meet other local families and be part of something really positive for the school.

## LUCKY BOOKCLUB ORDERS

Issue 4 Catalogue has been sent home this week. Orders need to be completed by 19th June (or before then if you are wanting items before the holidays). 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 be delivered to school.



## WHITEBAIT FRESHWATER RESEARCH

We had two beautiful days at Ed Mackie's wetland field trip last week. Our tamariki enjoyed getting hands on at the stations investigating the wetland environment to see what life they could find and how healthy it was. Many thanks to our parents helpers, Ed Mackie and the Porangahau Catchment Group for giving us this opportunity.



## NEW STUDENT



Welcome Patch de Lautour to Purimu! Patch joins his big brother Archie at school. Patch you have such a kind heart and we are enjoying watching your confidence grow every day 😊

## 'Gotcha' Awards

***Students caught displaying the school values - RISE***



**Patch de Lautour**



**Griffin Wilson**



**Finn Cosgrove**



**Daniel Brennan**

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

PHOTOLIFE have emailed the unique keycodes to all our whanau. You will need this code to view and order your photos online.

Please check your trash/spam as the email may have ended up in there. If you can't find the email, please email the office.

**FREE DELIVERY ON PHOTO ORDERS  
EXPIRES MIDNIGHT SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE**

## SPORT DRAWS

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

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

**Hockey** – Fun Sticks 9am – Saturday's 10am St Joseph's school turf. Kwik – 4.35pm 28th May. Mini – 4.25pm 29th May.

Kiwi - Yr5 4.25pm 29th May, Yr6 4.25pm 29th May.

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