

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 11th June Week 7 – 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:

- 17th June: Board meeting 6.30pm
- 20th June: **Matariki – School Closed**
- 27th June: Open fire cookout
- 27th June - Last Day Term 2
- 14th July – First Day Term 3
- 17th July: William Pike visit to CHB
- 22nd July – Board meeting 6.30pm
- 30th July – Onga 7's Tournament (Yr 5-8) – Postponement date 31st July

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

FRIDAY 13th LUNCH MENU

Duty Person – Lilia Santiago

Menu – Burger

Board Elections will be held in September!

Kia ora koutou katoa

It is a pretty clear run this week and it is looking the same for the next couple of weeks leading up to the Term break. School will be closed on Friday 20th June in acknowledgement of Matariki and on the last Friday of term we are planning to have our biennial 'Open Fire Cook Out'. Which the kids are very excited about! We did the first one of these many years ago when we were studying the early years in New Zealand. There is a photo in the hall with everyone dressed up in colonial clothing and as a finishing off activity we ran an open fire cooking day. We didn't do that again for a few years until Matariki Day was established and we started putting down a hangi to bring Matariki alive for kids and then did the open fire cooking every second year. Matariki marks the appearance of the Pleiades star cluster in the early morning sky and is recognized as the Māori New Year.

The Māori proverb 'Matariki whetū heri kai' which is 'Matariki, the bringer of food' highlights that food link. Food is central to the celebration of Matariki, and Māori believe that the appearance of Matariki in the morning sky in winter would determine the success or failure of kai harvesting. Different stars in the cluster have an association to the various domains from where food is sourced as well, in particular: gardens (Tupuānuku), forests (Tupuārangi), fresh water (Waiti) and the ocean (Waitā). This underpins the traditional and strong relationships the Māori world has with the environment and everything within it, which also holds true for rural communities around the New Zealand and the World. Have a great rest of the week and weekend. **Phil**

Good Citizens!



**Gipsy
Hema-Stewart**

For always being polite, respectful and having a positive attitude at school.



Daniel Brennan

For displaying integrity and taking charge of his learning



George Wynn

For being kind and caring towards younger tamariki.

PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT

As the school families/whanau were notified by Anton Croad (Presiding Member) on Monday the Board of Trustees had great pleasure in announcing that Glen Richardson has been appointed as the principal replacing me from the start of 2026. It is great for the Board to have completed the process and have made a great appointment. Glen filled in while I was off on medical leave last year so is familiar with the school and also has a lot of experience of principalship in and around the Manawatu region. He moved into the Flemington area in 2023 and has had a break for a few years and is really looking forward to being hands on in the education arena again and working with the kids, staff and the Flemington School community. Welcome Glen!



OPEN FIRE COOKING - FRIDAY 27th JUNE

We have had a couple of open fire cooking sessions over the years with the last one in 2023. We are planning another one at the end of this term. Fire and cooking are a big part of Matariki, which we will weave into this activity.

The Yr 4-8 children will be organised into House groups of 5-6 with older to younger in each group. They will plan a menu for themselves and the materials and equipment they will need to cook it, along with the what wood they will need for their fires, so you may get a bit pestered over the next couple of weeks! - They will also cook sausages, which we will supply, for the Yr 1-3 children.

They will have their initial meeting today and then have a follow up meeting on Monday to report back about what they can or can't bring along for their group.



BUS TRANSPORT UPDATES

Safe Bus Stops: As per the email I sent out last evening there is a definite tightening up of everything to do with school transport. The Safe Bus Stop criteria as outlined by the NZ Transport Association are being and will be applied more rigorously to all stops on all routes. This has been something bubbling away in the background for some time but once underway the notice period of any changes is very short.

Bus Route reviews: Talking to GoBus in the last couple of days the review of routes is also on the agenda. They thought they were going to be reviewing one route in another district in Hawkes Bay but are now reviewing them all.



ONGA 7'S TOURNAMENT



WHEN: Wednesday 30th July (Week 3 Term 3)

WHERE: Onga Onga School

WHO: Year 5-8's

The annual Onga 7's Tournament is being held on Wednesday 30th July (postponement day Thursday 31st July).

Year 5-8 students will be placed in teams for this event and your child may not play in their usual sport of choice due to limited teams we can enter. The emphasis is on being a part of the day and we encourage all our Yr 5-8's to take part. We

will run a bus for transport to this event but would appreciate any offers of help with transport, as this may save the bus having to come back to school again afterwards. We will also need help managing the teams please.

A permission slip is available on our @School app. Team details will be sent out next term along with travel arrangements

PFG (Parents Fundraising Group) AGM

On Monday night we had a fantastic turn out to our fundraising committees AGM, many thanks to all who braved the chilly night to attend! ☺ Congratulations and welcome to the position holders who were elected on the night:

Chairman – Abby Taylor

Secretary – Helen Brennan

Treasurer – Dani Miller

Also a very warm welcome to all our committee members. They are an enthusiastic bunch of volunteers with a great 'can do' attitude and we are excited to get into our Mud Run this year which is the next major fundraiser event.

RUGBY HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

When: June 30th & July 1st

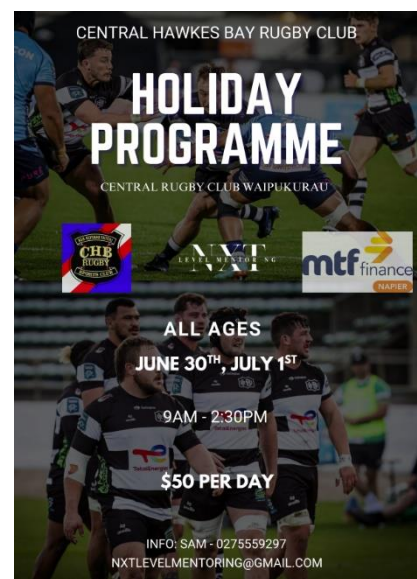
Where: CHB Rugby Grounds

Age: 5yr-13yr

Cost: \$50/day

Info: For more information contact Sam Smith 0275559297, nxtlevelmentoring@gmail.com

Sam from Nxt Level Mentoring has recently developed a community-based rugby mentoring business. They are running a holiday programme in the upcoming school holidays for anyone interested (please email Sam to register). Please find further information on the flyer email home.



FREE SANITARY PRODUCTS IN SCHOOLS

Thanks to Government funding we can access a variety of free sanitary products to offer to our students. Poor access to period products can affect student's attendance and engagement at school. Periods are a fact of life and access to period products is a necessity, not a luxury. If you would like to know more about the products on offer and/or access them please contact Abby.

This is an ongoing initiative and is available to everyone at any time. Please make the most of it.

'Gotcha' Awards

Students caught displaying the school values - RISE



Maia Sciascia



Gus Hunter



Maddi Miller



Pip Wilson

LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property box is located in the foyer entrance to the staffroom/resource room. Please feel free to check this box whenever you are missing an item. Items are regularly displayed on the clothes horse outside the staffroom to be identified. Any un-named items left un-claimed at the end of the term are donated to the second-hand shops. Please make sure all clothing is well named so we can easily return it to its owner.

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 11th June. Mini – 4.25pm 12th June.

Kiwi - Yr5 4.25pm 12th June, Yr6 5.10pm 12th June – Yr 6 team is on pack up duty.

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