

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 8th October Week 1 – Term 4 – 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 Oct: Year 7-8 Technology
- 10th Oct: Pet Day
- 15th Oct: BOT Meeting 6.30pm
- 17th Oct: CHB Cricket session at school
- 20th Oct: Bus Monitor Training
- 22nd Oct: Year 7-8 HPV vaccinations
- 23rd Oct: Potential Strike Date
- 24th Oct: Hawkes Bay Anniversary – School Closed
- 27th Oct: Labour Day – School Closed
- 29th Oct: Year 7-8 Technology
- 31st Oct: CHB Cricket session at school
- 3rd-5th Oct: WPC Wilderness Camp- Yr8's
- 10th Nov: Easternzone Athletics CHB College – Whole School
- 10th Nov: PFG Meeting 7pm
- 12th Nov: BOT Meeting 6.30pm
- 13th Nov: CHB Athletics CHB College – Selected School Team
- 19th Nov: Year 7 & 8 Technology
- 23rd Nov: Mud Run
- 28th Nov: Year 8 Transition Day at CHB College

FRIDAY LUNCH MENU

No lunches this Friday due to Pet Day.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Lunch order sheet
- Pet Day flyer
- Lunch duty roster (duty people only)
- Term calendar (digital only)

SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR 2026

- **2026 - Year Start and End Dates**
- **Term 1:** Wed 4th Feb - Thur 2nd April
- **Term 2:** Mon 20th April – Fri 3rd July
- **Term 3:** Mon 20th July – Fri 25th Sept
- **Term 4:** Mon 12st Oct – Thur 17th Dec

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



Kia ora koutou katoa

We are in to the final term yet again! It was great to see all the children back and ready to go on Monday, with a great vibe about the place overall – although the wind was trying hard to blow everything away! All the staff hope you had a good break and look forward to catching up with you all as the term rolls along, if they have not done so already. We have another full-on term with Camps, Trips, EZ and CHB Athletics, Amazing Race Day, School Swimming, Summer Sports, Mud Run and starting with Pet Day on Friday!

It is effectively a 10-week term, with the last day on Wednesday of week 11 and Prizegiving on Tuesday 16th December at 1pm. Within those 10 weeks we have two 4 day weeks so the

end of the year is going to come around very fast. Once again welcome back and don't hesitate to come and have a chat with the teachers or me during the term if there is anything we can help with to make it a successful end of the year for everyone. Looking forward to seeing as many that can make it this Friday and have a great rest of the week - **Phil**.

POTENTIAL STRIKE AND SCHOOL CLOSURE ON 23rd OCTOBER

Although official notification of a strike has not happened yet the School and the Board have been advised by NZEI Te Riu Roa that teachers, principals and support staff who are members of the union will be **Potentially** taking strike action on Thursday 23rd October from 7am to 7pm. Although it is looking very much like the strike will go ahead, **official notification may not come through until 7am on 20th October.**

In anticipation of the strike happening and after carefully considering the availability of teaching and support staff, the Board has determined that Flemington School will not be able to provide normal teaching or supervision for students on 23rd October, so SCHOOL will be CLOSED if the strike goes ahead.

If you have any questions about this decision, please contact me at school - Phil.

TEA TOWELS

Thank you to everyone for your amazing support of this fundraiser! Payments are now due for your tea towel orders, please make them into the PFG account 03 0779 0201585 00 (not the school account)

CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATIONS UPDATE

New Carpets

Purimu, Ngahape and Ngawaka have had new carpet laid over the break and they look very smart. It was definitely due! Purimu and Ngahape are also getting new Autex wall coverings installed which will really make a difference for them as well – We are still finalising when that will be scheduled.

Flemington Community Hall

The Flemington Hall Community Trust have been busy getting the shower room sorted in the hall as part of supporting the Fire Brigade Health and Safety systems, while also being prepared for any future Civil Defence emergencies. The Trust are very supportive of the school and as part of the shower installation the new external shed provides a space to continue storing our gymnastics and other equipment.

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL FAMILY/WHANAU CONSULTATION SURVEY

The Board are finalising a consultation survey to send out to all Flemington families/whanau and plan to get it out the week of 20th October. The survey will be around the Health and Physical Education (H&PE) Curriculum at school, Communication and Camps. Consultation around H&PE is the only aspect of schooling that is specifically mandated under legislation and has to be done every 2 years. I will send out more details about accessing the survey closer to it being sent out. With a new Board and new principal, it provides a great opportunity for consultation on a wider basis to be undertaken in 2026.

A FAIRY TALE FIASCO VIDEO LINK

This is a link to the fantastic production last term - If you have any hassles accessing it please let me know. It can also be shared with your wider whanau and they should be able to view it as well - It is very cool to look back on what the kids achieved. There have been lots of views since I emailed it out last Sunday! <https://youtu.be/ByfKEyAhbt8>

MUD RUN UPDATE! - Here's what you need to know!

Just over 6 weeks to go! Our annual fundraiser is creeping up quick!

- **Raffle** – Keep selling those tickets! And remember you can get more raffle sheets from the office – Most Raffle sheets sold wins a prize! All ticket sheets and money must be returned to school by Monday 10th November (Easternzone Athletics Day).
- **Gourmet Hamper Items** – Time to get these items rolling in for our raffle hampers! The items can be anything such as chocolates, wine, relish, crackers – Just think of anything morish that you would like in a hamper if you won, the more items donated the more hampers we can make!
- **Registrations** – These are now open so register online today! Share the register link on Facebook to friends and whanau and get them to come along!
www.flemingtonmudrun.co.nz
- **HELP!** – Pop it on the calendar now! Set up and pack down of this event is a big task so we need a lot of help day before and the day after. There is plenty to do so we need as many people there as possible.
- **MARSHALLS** – Not doing the event?...perfect, you can help by being a marshall on the day! We need lots of marshalls to man our course and keep our participants on the right track.

A permission slip will be available soon on the @school App where you can indicate where you can help.



Our teams had a really fun day (despite the wind!) at the Ripper Rugby Tournament at the end of last term! Players of the day were: Lewes, Francis, Freya, Lachie and Aimee-Lee 😊

CAMPS AND TRIPS

- **William Pike Wilderness Camp:** Monday 3rd - Wednesday 5th Nov: The Year 8s are heading up to the wilderness camp at Guthrie Smith Outdoor Education Centre at Tutira
- **Ngawaka:** Wednesday 3rd - Friday 5th December: The Year 4 & 5's are heading to Wairunga Cottages in Havelock North - with the kids tenting and adults in cabins. They have lots of exciting activities planned – biking, Faraday Museum, Aquarium, Planetarium and Ocean Spa – they will have a ball!
- **Big Day Out:** Monday 8th December – Purimu and Ngahape students will head to Ranui Farm Park for a fun end of year celebration day with lots of activities to enjoy. Permission slip will be out later in the term.