

FLEMINGTON SCHOOL

Wednesday 25th February Week 4 – Term 1 – 2026

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:

- 26th Feb: Yr 7-8 Technology (full day)
- 27th Feb: Yr 7-8 Technology (full day)
- 3rd - 4th March: Ngahape overnight camp at Pōrangahau
- 5th March: Cricket session at school
- 10th March: PFG meeting 7pm in school staffroom
- 16th March: Easternzone Swimming Sports
- 19th March: Yr 7-8 Technology (full day)
- 20th March: CHB Interschool Swimming Competition (selected team)
- 26th March: Yr Immunisations
- 2nd March: Last day of Term 1
- 3rd March: Good Friday

FRIDAY 27th LUNCH MENU

Duty Person – Dave Miller

Menu – Burger

ATTACHMENTS

- Winter sports permission form
- 'Meet & Greet' feedback

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

Kia ora whanau,

Welcome to another busy week at Flemington School. I am absolutely loving getting to know all of our students and hearing all of the stories they have (on a very regular basis). One of the things we often take for granted at rural schools is just how good your children are at having conversations with all ages of people.

Last week we had the Life Education trailer on site. This programme has been running for a very long time and is a fantastic resource. They have been a bit invisible across the region since COVID arrived but we will try and get them back next year.

I saw on the news yesterday that the Ministry of Education is soon to release some new writing resources across NZ Primary Schools. I will let you know what this looks like and how this will be implemented into Flemington School once more information is available.

This week we farewell Sonia Harrison from our Flemington Staff. Sonia has been one of our learning assistants since Term 1 -2024 and has done a fantastic job in all of our classes. This role involves working with individuals, small groups and changing plans at very short notice.

Thank you so much for everything you have done for us Sonia and we wish you all the very best in your new role at Terrace School.

We are currently having a big clean out of the Container down at the end of our sports field. I will share photos with you all at some stage soon and if there is any school furniture that you would like, we will make time for you to collect it and take it home.

Have a great week and please contact me if you have any concerns or questions. Glen



ASSEMBLIES

We have had a change in our Assembly routine this term. Each Monday morning, we start the week with a whole school morning hui (meeting) where we share important information on the upcoming week and will now also draw the 'Gotcha' names. There will be a normal school assembly every second Friday where we will present 'Good Citizen' and class certificates and then on the alternative Fridays we will be having whole school singing. I have put these assembly dates on the @school calendar so you can keep track of what assembly we are up to but overall, we are hoping these small changes will help make for a smoother assembly. Parents and whanau are always welcome to join us 😊 **This Friday we will be having a special farewell assembly for Sonia, we welcome whanau to join us if they can** 😊

WINTER SPORTS PERMISSION FORMS

Yes, it is time to think about winter sports again! Please complete the attached form and return to school by Friday 20th March.

Rugby registrations open on the 3rd March - If your child/ren are wanting to play rugby this season they need to register using the Rugby Xplorer App or online <https://auth.rugbyexplorer.com.au/register?clientId=admin&redirectPath=%2F>

Our Porangahau Rugby Club delegate is James Brennan 027 635 4567.

All winter sport is played on Saturday mornings except for Mini Sticks, Kiwi and Kwik Sticks Hockey – please see the permission form for the days of play this season.

EASTERN-ZONE SWIMMING SPORTS 2026

WHO: Whole School

WHEN: Monday 16th March, 10.30am start

WHERE: Centralines indoor swimming pool

BRING: Packed lunch, drink bottle, spare towel

TRANSPORT: Parent/caregiver vehicle and bus if needed



Please assemble at the pools by 10.15am ready for a 10.30am start. We need quite a few adult helpers to help run this event so please indicate on the permission slip if you are able to help at all. **Please complete the permission slip on the School App.**

FLEMINGTON'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE WINTER OLYMPICS 2026

We are excited to once again have the opportunity to be a part of the Winter Olympics fundraiser!

The Winter Olympics is a charity fundraiser and grassroots equestrian event that has been running in CHB for what will now be its 17th year this year. The event shares its funds raised with several organisations and charities with this year's main beneficiary being the Lowe Corporation Rescue Helicopter Service - an amazing cause!

This year our school is part of a group of 'Olympic Friends' who will also benefit from a share of the total funds raised. Our main role is running the **food tent** on the day as well as donating auction items for the online auctions which run alongside the event.

So how can you get involved?...great question! Firstly, let's circle that date! **Monday 27th April** (Anzac Day observed).

Next, please read the attachment coming home with the newsletter to see all the information around how we can support this event and the help and donations needed.

If you want more information or can help or donate in any areas mentioned on the info sheet please contact Maddy McLean maddyclark@gmail.com or the school office.

FUNDRAISING



NGAHAPE OVER NIGHT CAMP

Who: Ngahape class

When: Tuesday March 3rd-Wednesday March 4th

Where: Pōrangahau

Ngahape class is heading to Pōrangahau for an overnight camp next week – a relaxed, outdoor-focused camp with plenty of opportunities for fun, connection, and making memories. They will be basing themselves at the Pōrangahau Country Club. The purpose of this camp is to support children to build confidence, independence, and resilience in an outdoor setting. They will have opportunities to develop leadership, teamwork, and problem-solving skills. We hope the weather is kind and they have a great time!



SCHOOL BUSES AND SPEED LIMITS:

"If a school bus has stopped to let children on or off, you must slow down and drive at 20km/h or less until you are well past the bus, NO MATTER WHAT DIRECTION YOU ARE COMING FROM." (Direct from the Road Code).

This also applies for Buses parked outside school - at the beginning and end of the school day.

A reminder about speed limits around school buses – please pass this info on to any workers/contractors etc that may be working for anyone around the area. Thank You.

MCCAIN JUNIOR GALA DAY – FRIDAY 27th MARCH

McCain, Hawkes Bay Rugby Union & Hawke's Bay Netball, are excited to have the Junior Gala Day back for 2026! Held at Mitre 10 Park in Hastings, this event has been created to give kids the opportunity to try something different with the girls taking part in ripper rugby and the boys hitting the netball courts.

Ripper rugby grades (girls only): Year 3-4, Year 5-6, Year 7-8. Netball Grades (boys only): Year 5-6, Year 7-8.

This is a parent led activity meaning there will be no staff at this Gala and therefore there needs to be a parent/caregiver to manage/supervise the team for the day and parents/caregivers need to organise their child's own transport to and from this event.

There will be a permission slip on the @school app for the Gala but we can only enter a team if they have a team manager.



PFG MEETING

Our fundraising committee (PFG) will be holding a meeting on **Tuesday 10th March 7.00pm** in the school staffroom. Everyone is welcome to attend. We warmly welcome any new faces ☺

WHEETBIX TRY-ATHLON

Held on Thursday March 12th at the Mitre 10 Sports Park. If your child would like to take part in this event, please follow this link to register them under the Flemington team.

<http://raceroster.com/events/2026/109743/hastings-weet-bix-kids-tryathlon/register?team=856959>

You can find out more information about this event by heading to the website:

<https://tryathlon.co.nz/locations/hastings/>



CHB REP CRICKET

Well done to Lewes Stewart who made the Yr5/6 CHB rep cricket team. This team played in a tournament in Taupō last weekend where they won all 3 of their games winning the tournament! – great mahi!

'Gotcha' Awards

Students caught displaying the school values



Reggie Wynn



Oscar McLean



Phoebe Andersen



Bella Carter

LEVY ACCOUNTS DUE

Levy account payments for Term 4 2025 are now due. You can find your account balance on the @school app under the 'accounts' icon. 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

