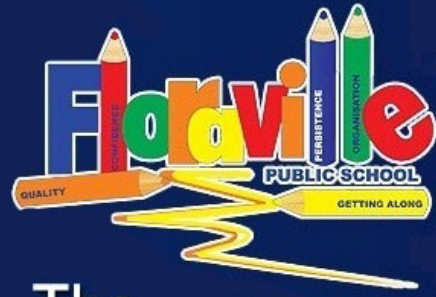


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## TERM 4 Week 4

### Principal's Report

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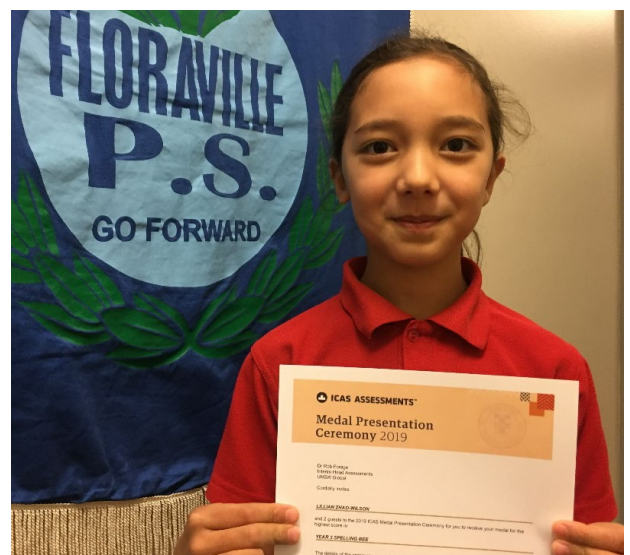
Learning Progressions

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Wellbeing

#### New State Champion

Lillian Zhao-Wilson is the new state champion for Year 3 in spelling, placing first in the University of NSW ICAS competition. Each year, students from Floraville compete with students across the state in the academic ICAS competitions for English, mathematics, science, spelling and digital technologies, with awards presented from the University for high levels of achievement. Students placing in the top 1% receive a High Distinction. The student who places first in NSW, for each subject area, is invited to attend a ceremony at UNSW, where they will be presented with a medal of achievement. Lillian will be attending this ceremony on 27 November. We are very proud of Lillian's accomplishment – an outstanding achievement!



### New School App

For several months the school has been in consultation with Sentral for the creation of a Parent Portal and App for families at Floraville. Further details are provided in the *Bulletin* and an information note will be sent home this week. The new App will enhance the school's communication capabilities.

### Year 5 Leadership Preparation

Students in Year 5 are enjoying their time away at the Great Aussie Bush Camp. I understand Mason Bailey is quite the sharp-shooter on the archery field. Next week, all of Year 5 will participate in a leadership training program. The program will prepare students for their role as kinder buddies, but also as school leaders in 2020. Our Year 6 students provide an important role model for others across the school, while also filling a number of specific leadership roles. On Monday afternoon, students in Year 5 will nominate who they would like to represent them as school captains next year. These students will then prepare a speech, to be presented at a special school assembly, at 11:30am on Wednesday 20 November. Students in Years 2 to 5 will then vote for their 2020 school captains. The captains and vice captains will be announced at Presentation Day on 12 December.

### Finally

While the postponement of the Colour Run was not ideal, our first interest is always the safety of students, and the hazardous air conditions required a change of date. I purchased my white t-shirt at Big W over the weekend, and am looking forward to getting covered in colour this Friday.

No new permission note is needed. If you wish to change your permission or requirements (supplied mask by the school) please let your child's classroom teacher know and they will update the note.

All the best to our students competing at State Athletics this week.

Simon Mulready

Principal

## Colour Run: This Friday!

The Colour Run will proceed this Friday, 8 November. All details are on the school website - *notes*.

<https://floraville-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/school-notes.html>

This week's virtue is **ASSERTIVE**:

Being assertive means being positive and confident. You are aware that you are a worthy person with your own special gifts. You think for yourself and express your own ideas. You know what you stand for and what you won't stand for. You expect respect.

### Term Calendar

Week	Date	Event
4	7/11	State PSSA Athletics Infants Assembly 1/2G 2.15-3pm
	8/11	Colour Run 1.40pm-3pm Primary Sport 9.40am-10am Primary Assembly 3F 12.20pm-1pm
5	11/11	Year 5 Leadership Training Belmont High Transition for selected Year 6 students 9.15am-10.35am
	12/11	P&C Meeting 6.30pm-8pm
	13/11	Yr 2 & 3 Band Concert
	14/11	Kindergarten 2020 Orientation Session 3 9am-10.30am - Meet the buddies
	15/11	Primary Sport 12.20pm-1pm
<b>Reminder of Money Due:</b> School Swimming Scheme Year 2 \$60 needs to be paid to the office to confirm placement Luna Park Year 6 Party Day \$60 due Thursday 14 November Band Fees now due		

## News from the Office

Office Hours 8.30am to 3.15pm

Please make sure you have the correct money when paying for activities or excursions.  
We now have parent online payments through the School's Website as well as eftpos at the office.  
You can now pre-pay fees and excursions in advance through our new system

## SPORT NEWS

### NSW PSSA Girls Cricket

Last week, Ruby Jones represented Floraville and the Hunter PSSA at the NSW PSSA Girls Cricket championship. She displayed real commitment, choosing cricket over the Yr6 Canberra excursion. Ruby had some great success with the ball and the bat and represented exceptionally well. Well done!



## LIBRARY NEWS

### Literacy Pro Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Literacy Pro awards at our most recent assemblies;

**Blue Star Awards** (25 points) – Anis Atai 1F, Eden Adamson 3R, Jaya Ayshford 4/5A, Jade Stringer 4/5A, Jesse Anderson 4/5A, Finn Marshall 4C, Kingston Webb 4F, Charlotte James 4/5A, Elisha Sparrow 5/6B, Sydney Allen 5NR, Liam McCarthy 5NR, Alia Elliott 5/6B and Lance Saker 6S

**Red Star Awards** (50 points) – Liam Pietrobuono 3F, Bayan Atai 4/5A, Asher Hollis 4/5A, Sophie Green 4/5A, Flynn Maddocks 4F and Kingston Webb 4F

**Bronze Star Awards** (75 points) – Max Ferris 1/2G, Kalarna Swinkels 4C, Mikayla Suffell 4C, Flynn Maddocks 4F, Kate McCahon 5NR, Daniel Cross 5/6B, Mahney Jenkins 6P, Kaden Pinfold 6P and Seth Diver 6S

**Silver Star Awards** (100 points) – Flynn Maddocks 4F, Kingston Webb 4F, Will Roseby 4/5A, Kate McCahon 5NR, Amy Oakey 5NR and Kaden Pinfold 6P

**Gold Star Awards** (200 points) – Harper Wall 6P and Bella Ciarrocchi 6S

**Diamond Star Award** (300 points) – Matthew Mulvaney 6S

### Book Club

Book Club orders (excluding Year 5) were sent home yesterday. There are a few back orders but there is also 1 item that had no name. If your child didn't receive their order, please encourage them to see Mrs Southward or contact her by phone or email [louise.southward@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:louise.southward@det.nsw.edu.au).

## OTHER SCHOOL NEWS

### Sentral Portal and Sentral 'Parents' App

This week, students will bring home information about two new communication services: The Sentral Portal and 'Parents' app - both will provide enhanced communication and information from our school. These services replace the Floraville school app which has not been functional for some time.

In the Sentral Portal, you can notify the school of student absences, view the school calendar and access the school newsletter. The 'Parents' app has these features, as well as, the ability for the school to send short messages to your phone.

A video has been created to help guide you through the registration process. It can be found at: [bit.ly/sentralportal](https://bit.ly/sentralportal)

A 'How to Guide' with visuals can be found at: [bit.ly/fpsportalinstructions](https://bit.ly/fpsportalinstructions)



Each family will have a unique code to enter when registering, so please be on the lookout for the note.

### **Kindergarten 2020 Parent Morning Tea**

The Kindergarten orientation process is almost complete. The last session for the children is Thursday 14 November. As a way of welcoming new parents to our wonderful school, the P&C has traditionally provided the new Kinder parents with morning tea on this day. If you are able to contribute a small plate of food it would be very much appreciated. Please take it to the canteen when you arrive at school. Thank you very much to the canteen workers, uniform shop ladies and all the people who have helped to make the orientation process a success.

Jenny Barclay

### **Canberra 2019**

Students from Year 6 recently visited Canberra, ACT on their educational tour of the national capital, where they spent 3 days learning about Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government has contributed funding under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards the cost of the excursion.

Students toured Parliament House, the War Memorial, the National Gallery, Mount Ainslie, the Embassies, the High Court, Questacon and the Australian Institute of Sport.

The students enjoyed the interactive activities at Questacon and the AIS, and were impressed at the fascinating artworks in the National Gallery, as well as, learning all about Parliament.

Year 6 teachers



## **P&C NEWS**

### **Colour Run - this Friday**

Unfortunately, due to health & safety reasons we had to postpone the colour run .....GOOD NEWS – it's on this Friday 8 November!

What an amazing response we have had to this exciting event.

All cash sponsorship is due back to the school office this Friday 8 November, so please ensure you fill out the back of the coloured brochure provided – please include your child's name, class and their selected prize. If you have misplaced the brochure please include this information on a piece of paper – prizes you can nominate are able to be viewed online at [www.schoolfundraising.com.au](http://www.schoolfundraising.com.au) - click on 'view prizes' box (further down the page). You can still set up a profile just to order your prize online – this is the easiest way.

Ordering Your Prize – all prizes need to be ordered by Friday 15 November. Once the colour run is completed you will be able to jump onto your profiles and start selecting your prizes.

### **P&C Meeting**

Our final P&C meeting for 2019 will be held next Tuesday 12 November commencing 6.30pm in the school library. Everyone is welcome. We plan to discuss arrangements for this year's Carols on the Green Christmas event (to be held Tuesday 10 December) and also undertake a debrief on the colour run - so if you have any feedback, please contact us through the P&C Facebook page or send me an email to fpspresident@gmail.com

### **Cheese and Wine Night**

Why not drop in for a glass of wine & cheese on Tuesday 19 November 7pm.

The P&C, in conjunction with Tamburlaine Wines are holding a wine tasting fundraiser. For every dozen (12) bottles of wine purchased, Tamburlaine will donate \$50 to our P&C. Feel free to bring along family & friends.

The opportunity to purchase wine at a great price and have Tamburlaine donate \$50 to the school is open now & will continue through until Tuesday 3 December. So even if you can't make the tasting night you can still purchase the wine during this period and a \$50 donation will be made to the P&C. Why not share the dozen bottles with family & friends or stock up for the silly season. Also makes a great gift for people who are hard to buy for.

Order forms are available from the link below or from the notes section of the school website.

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Bryan Garland  
P&C President

### **NEWCASTLE TRANSPORT – SCHOOL BUS SERVICE**

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents to encourage school students to tap on and tap off when using school bus services. This data is important in determining the school bus services provided to schools, as low patronage could prompt a review of the service.

## **UNIFORM SHOP**

### **Uniform Shop**

Open Wednesdays from 2.30-3.15pm.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP.**

## **CANTEEN NEWS**

### **Coming Up**

Kinder 2020 Morning Tea – Thursday 14 November

Christmas Lunch Bags – Monday 25 November

Canteen Volunteer Night out - Monday 2 December

### **Kindergarten 2020 Morning Tea**

Thursday morning 14 November Floraville Public School canteen and P&C will be holding a Kindergarten 2020 Morning Tea for parents and visitors.

We are looking for donations of cakes, slices etc.

Thank you.

### **Xmas Lunch Bags**

Xmas Lunch bag menu will go home this week.

### **Roster**

**Thursday 7/11** – Melinda Kennedy, Naomi Harris, Kylie Feeney, Donna Timmins

**Friday 8/11** – Kristie Woodward, Amanda Steadman, Maree McCulloch

**Monday 11/11** – Kylie Wells,

**Tuesday 12/11** – Rachael Searle, Shanon McSweeney

**Wednesday 13/11** – Katie Budden, Vivienne Tindall, Teresa Wilson, Krystle Bambak Urbanovic

## **BANKING NEWS**

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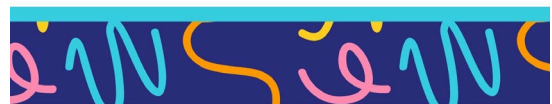


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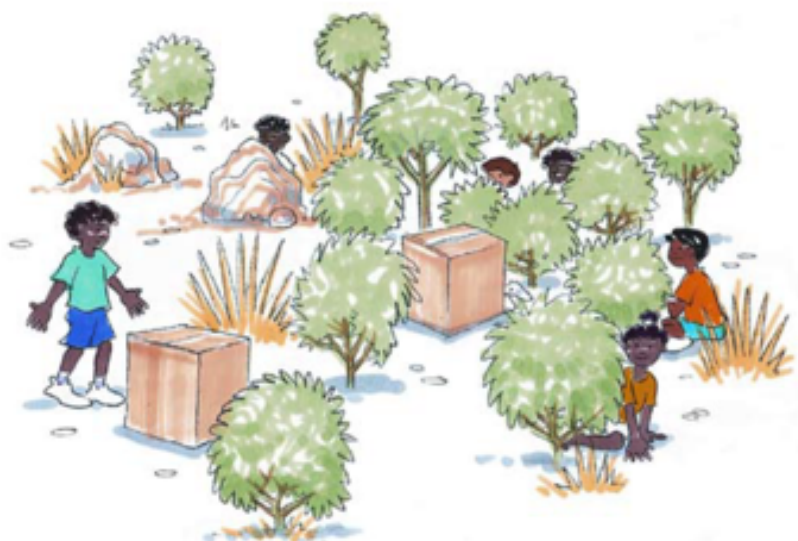
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## TRADITIONAL INDIGENOUS GAMES

Looking for fun activities for the kids?

Why not try some **Yulunga: Traditional Indigenous Games**

**Thiring-Nunna** 'thir-ring-nun-na' is a hide and seek game that is played by the Aboriginal children in Queensland.



One player is the 'seeker' and the other players hide. Once hidden, the players are not allowed to move from their hiding places.

The seeker searches for the hidden players.

When players are found they can help the 'seeker' to find the other players.

Source: Yulunga Traditional Games - [sportaus.gov.au/yulunga](http://sportaus.gov.au/yulunga)