

AUGUST 13
WEEK 4 - TERM 3 2025



Flowerdale
Primary School

Parrot Chatter NEWSLETTER



Congratulations to the students who received awards at assembly during Weeks 2 and 3 of Term 3.

- Safe - Jake, Cooper, Shaila
- Responsible - Kai
- Respect - Jake
- Learner - Jamie, Malakye
- Reduce Reuse Recycle Award - Harry
- Principal's Award - Kai and Zavier

Upcoming Events

AUGUST 2025

WED AUG 13 **Grade 3-6 Camp**
Wed Aug 13 to Fri Aug 15

THU AUG 14 **Bravehearts**
F-2 Class, 10:30am

MON AUG 18 **Hoop Time**
Grade 3-6

TUE AUG 19 **Book Fair**
Tue Aug 19 to Thu Aug 21

WED AUG 20 **Book Week Dress Up**
'Book an Adventure'

FRI AUG 22 **Curriculum Day**
NO SCHOOL

THU AUG 28 **School Council Meeting**
2:00pm



Upcoming BIRTHDAYS

Malakye Beatrix
Ryann



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

FORTNIGHTLY OVERVIEW

What a jam-packed term it has been already. Our preps celebrated 100 days brighter and we couldn't have been any prouder of them. It was such an achievement and one that we were so happy to share with them.

It was also Principals Day and from the bottom of my heart I wanted to thank the whole school community for your kind words, gifts from students and staff and making me feel really special to be the Acting Principal at FPS. It has been such a pleasure to be a part of a such a beautiful little community, and I really look forward to continuing my work at FPS.

Our 3-6 students are off to camp tomorrow and super eager for the experience that awaits them. We hope our campers have the best time and challenge themselves throughout the camp.

Please keep an eye on compass for any updates to excursions etc, and as always come and have a chat if you have any questions.



CURRICULUM DAY

A reminder that we will have a Student Free Curriculum Day on Friday, August 22nd. Our staff will be offsite with other schools in our network, attending professional development to build their capacity and increase student learning and engagement.

3-6 HOOP TIME

A reminder that our 3-6 students will be participating in Hoop Time on Monday. Please ensure students are at school on time as the bus will be departing right on 9:00am.

Bravehearts

EDUCATE · EMPOWER · PROTECT

Our F-2 students will be participating in our Bravehearts Incursion on Thursday August 14. Through the program, students will learn about the importance of saying no, body safety and giving consent. Our students have taken part in the program the last few years, and always thoroughly enjoy meeting Ditto the bear.

BOOK WEEK

Book week will take place this term from Monday August 18 – Friday August 22. Students and staff will need to dress up as a book character on Wednesday August 20. This years Book Week theme is 'Book an Adventure'. Ideas might include any character from a book where an adventure takes place – Where the Wild Things Are, Where's Wally Series, Dog Man, The Bad Guys, Hot Dog, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Fart Boy and many more! We will have Flowershop Points and Prizes for the best dress ups. We can't wait to see your costumes!



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

EVERYDAY COUNTS

Congratulations to winners over the last few weeks. We have seen attendance numbers drop a little this term. Please remember that EVERYDAY COUNTS and unless there is a significant reason for an absence, students should be at school.

TERM 2 - ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE			
	F/1	2/3	4/5/6
WEEK 1	83%	73%	83%
WEEK 2	83%	79%	71%
WEEK 3	80%	82%	78%



ILLNESS

As the weather is still quite cool, please remember that if your child is unwell, they need to stay at home. Colds and flus are spreading through to other students and staff – having a flow on effect. Please also remember that if your child has had any signs or symptoms of vomiting or diarrhoea, they must be kept away from school for 48 hours.

SIGNING IN & OUT OF THE OFFICE

Please be reminded, that at all times excluding before school and after school, you MUST sign in and out of the office. You can not go to the class to pick up or drop off your child out of these times without signing into the office first. We can not have adults walking around the school without our knowledge. Students will need to attend the office to collect a welcome pass to take to class, so that the classroom teacher is aware that the student was signed in to school late. When collecting your child early from school, you must come to the office first and wait for your child to come up to the office. The office will call the classroom for your child to leave.

WELCOME PASSES

If you are signing your students into school late at the office, we now have Welcome Passes that students will receive on a lanyard and take to class with them when they are late. Please ensure your child comes to the office with you when signing them in, so teachers know that you have signed your student in late and it has been changed on Compass.



PRINCIPAL'S Day 2025

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Stephanie Marcanio (Mrs M)

Happy Principals Day

On behalf of the Flowerdale School Community we wish to acknowledge how incredibly lucky we are to have Stephanie leading our school as Acting Principal.

From day one, Stephanie's warmth, energy and deep commitment to student wellbeing and learning have shone through.

Stephanie brings a clear vision for Flowerdale Primary, one where every child feels safe, supported and celebrated.

Her ability to connect with students, families and staff alike is a true gift and her passion for education and belief in every child's potential is at the heart of everything she does.

Thank you, Stephanie, for your steady leadership, your compassion, and the joy you bring to our school community!

Thank You

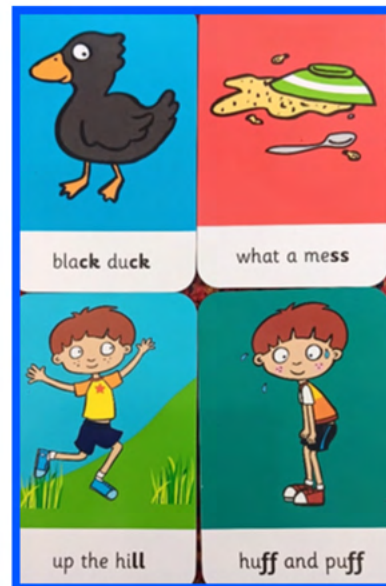
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CLASSROOM

FOUNDATION / GRADE 1 CLASS

We have had a great start to the term in the F/1 Classroom. In literacy we have been learning about 'ck' words and words with double consonants like 'll' 'ff' and 'ss'. In Math, we have been looking at number sizes and have made crocodiles to eat up the largest numbers.



**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION!**



Kitchen Garden PROGRAM

Students don't need to bring lunch on Thursday 21st August as it will be made during kitchen and garden class. Baked potatoes with toppings and homemade lemonade is on the menu, funded by the PFG.



Specialist SUBJECTS



Introducing OUR NEW MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING LEADER



Hello Flowerdale Primary School
community,

My name is Amanda Augello, and I am so excited to be joining the team as the new Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader. I will be working at Flowerdale PS two days a week, supporting students, staff, and families to promote positive mental health, create clear pathways for support, and help make our school a safe, welcoming place where every student can thrive.

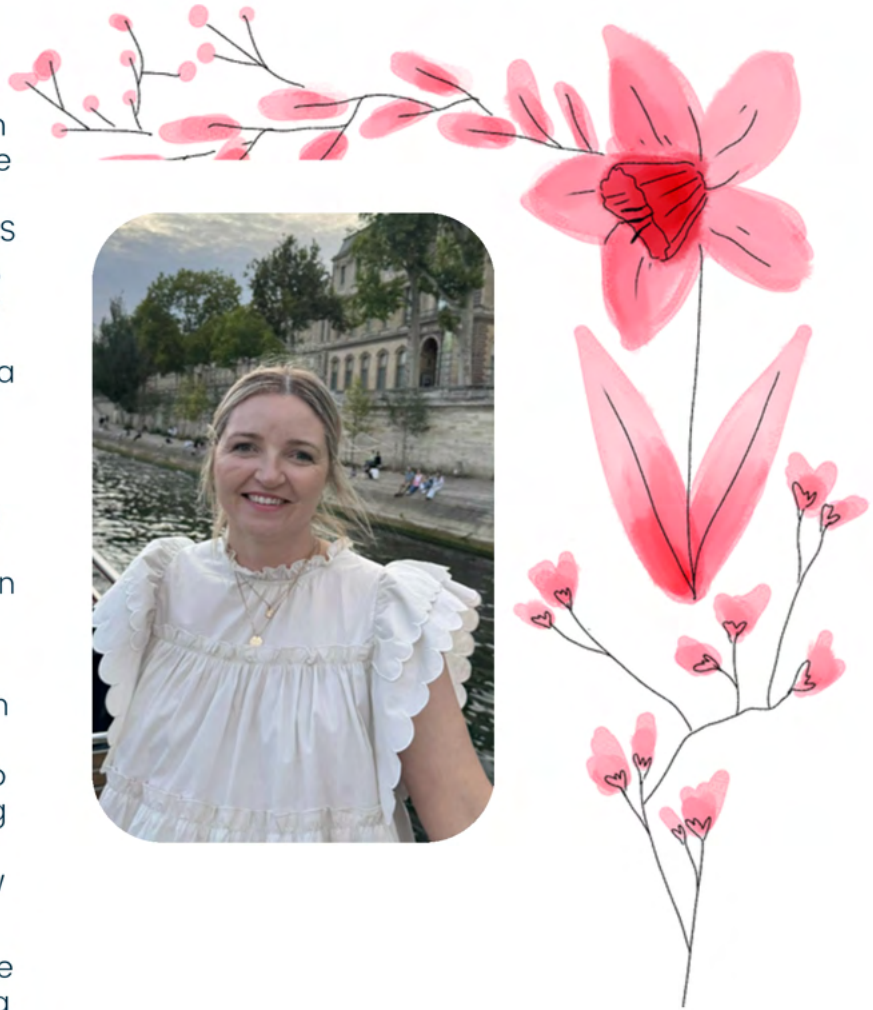
A little about me – I am a proud mum of three energetic boys, and when I'm not at school, you will usually find me on an adventure with them, trying new foods or curled up with a good book.

I am passionate about helping children build resilience, develop strong relationships, and feel confident in who they are. I'm looking forward to working with our wonderful students and families, and I can't wait to get to know each of you better.

If you see me around the school, please come and say hello – I'd love to have a chat!

Warm regards,

Amanda Augello
Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader
Flowerdale Primary School



TUE 19 - THU 21 AUGUST



You're invited to our SCHOLASTIC Book Fair



OCEAN ADVENTURE
Mr Luke's class opened a magic book and found themselves under the sea!
100144570 | HB PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+

\$10



TWO CRANKY BEARS
Can two cranky bears learn to share?
100144522 | HB PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+

\$10



WOMBAT.
A funny look into the life of a wombat.
100141320 | PB PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+

SPECIAL VALUE \$6



THE PUPPY PARADE
A new series all about Ella and Olivia's puppy, Bob.
100144370 | CHAPTER BOOK | AGES 5+

\$6



NINJA SUPERSTARS!
Can Ninja Girl and Karate Kitten save the town from evil lizards?
100145003 | CHAPTER BOOK | AGES 7+

\$10



DARE TO BE SCARED!
Pizza and Taco go Ghost Pepper hunting!
100145054 | GRAPHIC NOVEL | AGES 6+

\$10



SLEEPOVER BFFS: BIG DREAMS
These BFFs make a business out of planning sleepover parties for people!
100145640 | PB NOVEL | AGES 9+

\$10



EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL



SCHOLASTIC REWARDS

SCHOLASTIC



ANNOUNCEMENTS



INTRODUCING JUMP! SWIM SCHOOL WHITTLESEA

JUMP! Whittlesea is a brand new, indoor, heated, mineral salts, boutique swim school that will deliver the highest quality swimming lessons to the communities surrounding Whittlesea.

JUMP! Whittlesea is owned and operated by Karen and Emily Barton. Our centre draws on the philosophies of the JUMP! Franchise with an extra emphasis on family and customer service.

What sets us apart:

- Calm, clean, hygienic environment
- Programs from 3 months through to Adults
- Indoor pool heated to 32.5C all year round
- We use Magnesium salts to generate soft chlorine which is much kinder on skin and eyes.
- Carbon dioxide instead of acid to control pH levels
- UV and ozone as additional treatment - eliminates all viruses and bacteria
- Small intimate classes. Max of 3 classes at a time.
- Start at any time all year round.
- We offer one make-up class per month
- Classes run for 30 minutes

Something for Everyone!

For ADULTS: We have programs for our Adult swimmers with Adult Learn to Swim, Hydrotherapy and Casual Swim Sessions and Aqua Aerobics available. If this is you, then let us know!

NDIS Clients: We run swim lessons for NDIS clients. Let us know your needs so we can help you!

Does JUMP! Whittlesea meet your checklist for your child to Learn to Swim?

To enrol, simply email us at whittlesea@jumpswimschools.com.au for an information and enrolment pack

Or click on the following link to enrol online

https://www.thinksmartsoftware-au.com/ocr/schedule_view.php?c=681C0D7CD3CE3&p_id=1&t=swimbiz&set=yes



ENROL BEFORE 18TH AUGUST TO RECEIVE FREE MEMBERSHIP (SAVE \$45)

JUMP! Whittlesea

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KINGSLAKE JUNIOR ALL GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAMS

2026

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- **SPREAD THE WORD:** KNOW A YOUNG GIRL WHO MIGHT WANT TO PLAY FOOTY? SHARE OUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) LINK – PLAYERS DON'T HAVE TO BE FROM KINGSLAKE!
- **SUPPORT OUR TEAM:** HELP US PURCHASE PLAYING JUMPERS AND ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT BY BUYING A RAFFLE TICKET IN THE TOYOTA 'GOOD FOR FOOTY RAFFLE' OR MAKING A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION AT [HTTPS://ASF.ORG.AU/CAMPAIGNS/KINGSLAKE-JUNIOR-FOOTBALL-CLUB/OPERATION-AND-EXPANSION-FUND](https://asf.org.au/campaigns/kingslake-junior-football-club-operation-and-expansion-fund)
- **SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:** RECOMMEND US TO A LOCAL BUSINESS INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING GRASSROOTS SPORT AND HELPING GROW FEMALE FOOTY AS PART OF OUR 2026 PROGRAM EXPANSION.

AGE GROUPS:

- **UNDER 14S:**
BORN 2011 – 2012
- **UNDER 16S:**
BORN 2009 – 2010



- **EVERYONE IS WELCOME** – WHETHER YOU'VE PLAYED FOOTY BEFORE OR ARE COMPLETELY NEW TO THE GAME.
- **LEARN NEW SKILLS, BUILD CONFIDENCE, AND HAVE FUN** IN A SUPPORTIVE TEAM ENVIRONMENT.
- **MAKE GREAT FRIENDS AND BE PART OF SOMETHING EXCITING AND NEW.**

IF YOU'D LIKE TO
BE PART OF
KINGSLAKE'S FIRST
ALL-GIRLS TEAM,
WE WANT TO HEAR
FROM YOU!!



Expression of Interest
Female Football Team 2026

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST



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Small Schools Are Great Schools

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 ■ Phone: (03) 5780 1264 ■ Email: flowerdale.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

August/September

2025 CALENDAR

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
WEEK 5	18 HOOP TIME	19 Library	20 Auslan STEM BOOK WEEK DRESS UP	21 Kitchen Garden	22 CURRICULUM DAY NO SCHOOL	23	24
		BOOK FAIR					
WEEK 6	25	26 Library	27 Auslan STEM	28 Kitchen Garden Library Van SCHOOL COUNCIL Meeting	29 PE	30	31
WEEK 7	1	2 Library	3 Auslan STEM Animal Encounters SCIENCE INCURSION	4 Kitchen Garden	5 PE Art Van	6	7
WEEK 8	8	9 Library	10 Auslan STEM WRITERS WORKSHOP GRADE 4-6 EXCURSION	11 Kitchen Garden AUTHOR SESSION WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION	12 PE	13	14
WEEK 9	15 Melbourne Museum WHOLE SCHOOL EXCURSION	16 Library	17 Auslan STEM	18 Kitchen Garden	19 PE Art Van FOOTY COLOURS DAY LAST DAY! 1:30PM FINISH	20	21