

**5 Aug 2021**

▶ **Deputy Principal's News**  
**Term 3 Week 4**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are well into the term with lots happening as always- here is a snapshot...

**Athletics Carnival**

Thank you to Tessa Morrow and the Athletics Carnival committee for organising a stunning Athletics Carnival last Thursday. Although it was a bit cold, the sun was shining, and it was a beautiful day. Our students were amazing all day- cheering and supporting each other through all the events. We had great feedback from the ACT Athletics Officials who were impressed with not only the talent of our students but the way they supported each other. They were also impressed with our staff and how they were engaged and motivated to support our students. A big thank you also needs to go our parent/carer volunteers who were able to assist on the day!

**Pyjama Day**

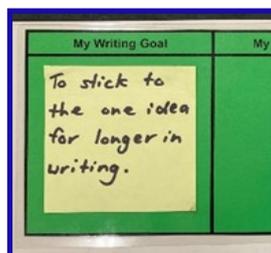
A big thank you to Sam Williams and our Student Representative Council (SRC) for organising the Pyjama fundraising event on Friday 23 July. Not only did the students and staff have fun dressing down for the day but also raised valuable money which will be going to the pyjama foundation, an organisation who support children in foster care. Thanks to your support, we raised a total of \$400!

**Director General Visit**

On Wednesday this week, we were lucky to have a visit from Katy Haire, our Director General for the ACT Education Directorate. During the visit, we shared with Katy some of the work we have been doing in the Cultural Integrity Space. This was an affirmation from our 2020 School Review and one we are continuing our work in to ensure that staff have a clear vision in relation to our whole school approach with a focus on deepening staff and student learning. We also shared the work we have been doing alongside Christine Topfer to enhance our practices in Literacy and build the capacity of staff.

**Writing Goals**

One of our first strategies to achieve our school priority goal of improving writing is to work with the students on developing personal writing goals. Having a specific writing goal helps our students to commit to their learning and allows them to see the next steps to becoming successful writers. Each classroom has a different way of presenting these goals (see some examples below). Next time you are in the school, ask your child to share with you some of their writing and their writing goal!



Upcoming events to look forward to include, P & C School Disco, Book Week, Science Week, Howard Florey Day and Jump Rope for Heart- what an exciting term!

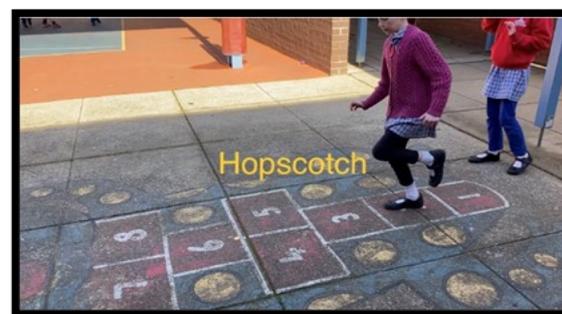
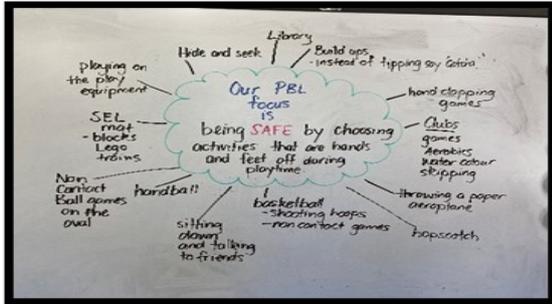
Have a great rest of your week,

Amy Czoban

Deputy Principal

## Year 3/4 News...

The students of 3/4 have taken on board the new PBL target of being SAFE by choosing appropriate hands off activities during playtime. They brainstormed the multitude of activities that students at Florey Primary could do during break times and then went about to create a short imovie to share with the other students of the school. The activities they came up with included; throwing paper aeroplanes, skipping, hide & seek playing on the equipment, handball, throwing a frisbee, playing hopscotch, building with blocks at the SEL Mat, colouring in in the library, chatting with friends, aerobics in the hall, watercolour painting in Twelve Trees, board games in Worrell cottage, and many more.



## Year 5/6 News...

This term 5/6 is about to start a focus on fractions decimals and percentages in Maths.

We will be discussing sizes of fractions (for example, which is bigger,  $\frac{1}{4}$  or  $\frac{1}{8}$ ?). A good way to think about this at home is with pizza. If we had a pizza and split into 4 even slices, you would have  $\frac{1}{4}$ . If you split the same pizza into 8 parts you would have  $\frac{1}{8}$ . Which one do you get the most pizza from?

Percentages affect our everyday life as well. For example, when shopping we often mentally estimate how much something will cost with a particular discount. That \$500 item is 10% off? I should save around \$50. If you find yourself doing these mental calculations, have a chat about your thinking with your children to help build their understanding.

Finally, we use decimals a lot in money. After all, 1 cent is  $\frac{1}{100}$  of a dollar which is the same as .01. Adding decimals is something our year 5s often feel nervous about, even though they do it very naturally in the canteen. I have \$1 and I want to buy a cookie (0.50) and some carrot sticks (0.20)  $.50+.20=.70$ , and if I subtract .70 from 1.00 I should get .30 (or 30 cents) change.

We will keep investigating all the ways in which fractions decimals and percentages work, and we look forward to hearing from our students about using them at home!

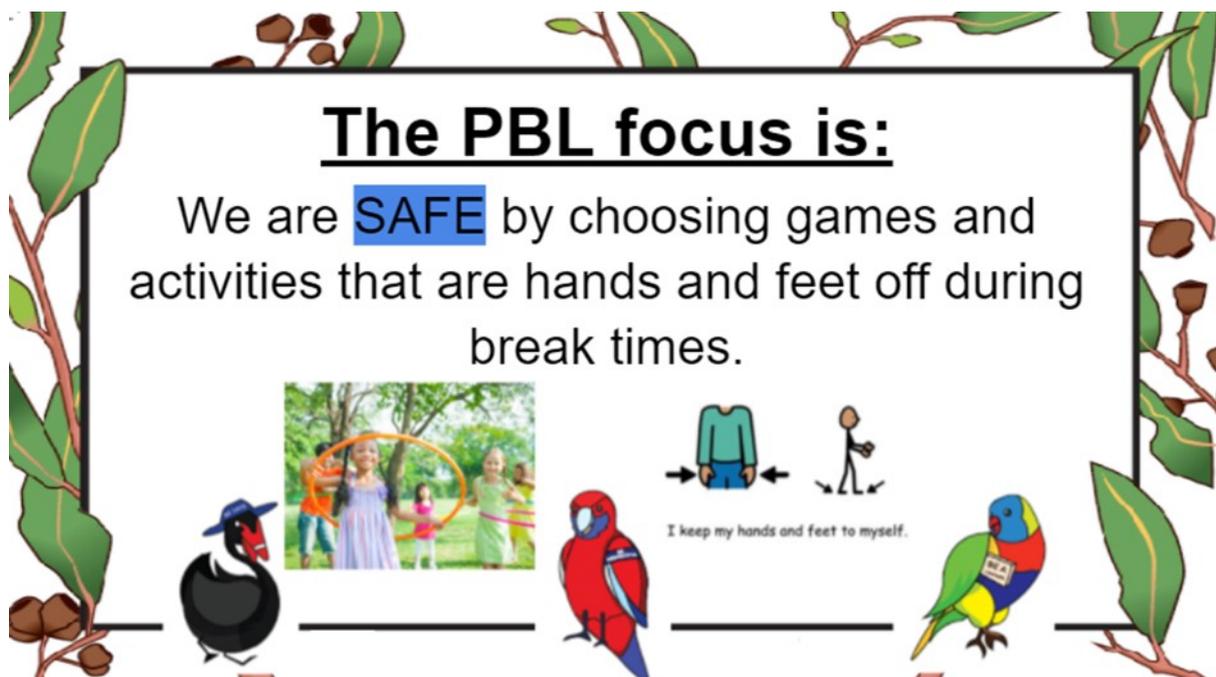
Mariam Hijazi, Chelsea, Jack, Sam, Lisa, Jonathan

## PBL News...

Last week, our school started our first whole school focus for this term.

We are supporting our students by teaching lessons and facilitating discussions about safe play during our break times. Students are receiving double blue tokens for engaging in safe games and activities on the playground. 3/4 JM have been helping everyone out by creating some amazing videos that are being viewed by all classes to reinforce these expectations.

In other news, we are currently surveying our staff and students about our PBL mascots. We are looking to reinvigorate our designs so that they are more engaging and relevant for our current cohort of students. In the coming weeks, there will be the opportunity for our community to vote on the direction of our mascots so that our school can make informed decisions that best suit everyone who is a part of our school.



Jack Lewis and the PBL Team

# 2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their experience of public education. The *2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey* will be available online from **13 August to 3 September**. The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents and carers will receive:

A letter about the **student survey** outlining the reasons for collection and privacy provision for the data; and

An email about the **parent survey**, including a unique link to access the survey. **Genuine survey invitation emails will have the title "The 2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey is now open!" and will be sent from EDU Surveys & Evaluation with 'from' address [EDU@qualtrics-survey.com](mailto:EDU@qualtrics-survey.com).**

If you do not receive the survey invitation, please check your Junk email folder; if it is not there, send your contact details to [EDUSurveysandEvaluation@act.gov.au](mailto:EDUSurveysandEvaluation@act.gov.au) to request a survey invitation. If you do not have an email listed with the school, please contact the front office and we will make paper copies available for you.

The Parents and Carers Survey will be available online in other languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Urdu, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Bengali, Spanish and Telugu. Respondents can select their preferred language when they start the survey. A shortened paper-version of the Parents and Carers Survey is also available in the following 5 languages: Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Karen and Mon. These surveys are available at the Front Office.

For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents and carers, staff and students as possible to complete the survey. Your feedback is important, and we hope you will take part.

For more information, visit: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/school-satisfaction-and-climate-survey>

# Snack Shack News.....

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Hello everyone,

Well it's almost that time again everyone, the canteen will be hosting a disco in week 6. The theme for this disco will be **PYJAMA PARTY**. A note will come home sometime over the next week, be sure to look out for the disco on Flexischools as well. The date of the disco is **FRIDAY 20 AUGUST**. All prepay orders must be returned by **WEDNESDAY 18 AUGUST** in a sealed envelope stating your child's name and class. The orders can be handed to either the front office, your child's teacher or the canteen. Thank you so much for supporting our major fundraising event. Please feel free to contact Lisa our canteen manager on 0434 054 743 to answer any questions you may have.

Our menu is available on the school website [www.floreyps.act.edu.au](http://www.floreyps.act.edu.au). Look for the canteen under the "Our Community" tab. The canteen is open 5 days a week for fruit break, recess and lunch. We use [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au) for our online ordering component and we also accept cash payments at the counter.

## Canteen volunteer roster

<b>Parent Roster Term 3 WEEK 5</b>	<b>Parent Roster Term 3 WEEK 6</b>
<b>09/08/2021 to 13/08/2021</b>	<b>16/08/2021 to 20/08/2021</b>
<b>Monday 09/08/2021</b>	<b>Monday 16/08/2021</b>
AM - TANIA	AM - TANIA
<b>Tuesday 10/08/2021</b>	<b>Tuesday 17/08/2021</b>
AM - SAMANTHA	AM - SAMANTHA
PM - VOLUNTEER WELCOME	PM - VOLUNTEER WELCOME
<b>Wednesday 11/08/2021</b>	<b>Wednesday 18/06/2021</b>
AM - VOLUNTEER WELCOME	AM - YODIT
PM - REBECCA	PM - REBECCA
<b>Thursday 12/08/2021</b>	<b>Thursday 19/08/2021</b>
AM - VOLUNTEER WELCOME	AM - VOLUNTEER WELCOME
PM - STEVIE	PM - STEVIE
<b>Friday 13/08/2021</b>	<b>Friday 20/08/2021</b>
AM - VOLUNTEER WELCOME	AM - VOLUNTEER WELCOME
PM - STEVE	PM - SARAH

## Uniform Shop News...



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