**ELMPSSA Cross Country**

**Welcome**

*Student:* **On this occasion, we would like to acknowledge the traditional custodian of this land. We pay our respects to the Elders both past and present, and to all those of the future for they hold the memories, traditions and hopes of Aboriginal Australians.**

My name is Mr Ryan Cox from Floraville and I am the convener of the Cross Country. I would like to welcome all Students, Teachers and Parents to ELMPSSA Zone Cross Country.

All children are to remain in their school area at all times, unless called for their race, attending the canteen or going to the toilets. It is important that all students and parents stay behind the fences so there is no interference to runners.

The order of races is:

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10 **Girls**, 10 Boys

11 Girls, 11 Boys

12/13 Girls, 12/13 Boys

Students will receive ribbons for places 1st to 4th.

First 6 placegetters in each race will qualify for the Hunter Regional Carnival.

The first 25 students to cross the line will receive points for their school.

Hunter Primary Cross Country will be held on Friday **7th June 2024 at Tocal College** at **Paterson**. If you are unable to attend on this day, please inform the recorders after the race so a reserve can be notified. Each school will be notified of their successful students and relevant information.

Our Carnival Referee is Mr Evan Finlay (Kahibah PS) and Floraville Public School is running the canteen. We have a First Aid person in attendance. All enquiries must be addressed through the teacher from your school who will then consult me.

Events will be called to the marshall area. Students will need to listen as individual names are not called.

**Teachers and Students, can you please ensure your areas are left clean before leaving at the end of the day. Would one representative from each school collect a garbage bag please?**

The Cross Country Course includes running around both the Eddie Calland and Allen Davis fields. The field that has barriers around it is out of bounds due to reseeding the field.

We will begin the day with walking the track. All students are to assemble in the marshalling area on the soccer field.

Good luck and enjoy your day and remember that enjoyment, participation and sportsmanship are the key factors to making our carnival successful.