



# Heights of Excellence FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL: MR WAYNE THOMAS



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## Term 4 – Week 1 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2012

### Coming Events

#### This Week

Settling into Term 4

#### Next Week

Tues 16 –

OOSH meeting in staffroom 6.15pm

Wed 17 –

P&C TAFE dinner see advert

Kindergarten 2013 Orientation session 9.15am in the hall

Assembly 1NF 2pm in the hall

Thur 18

M'kophane rehearsal in school hall 9.30-3.30pm

### CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon, Wed & Fri – open for recess and lunch

Tues & Thurs – open for lunchtime snacks only

Tuesday	Rebecca Moore Jo Brain
Wednesday	Amanda Taylor Rebecca Anderson
Thursday	Louise Christenson Fiona Maris
Friday	Kendra Ainsworth Fiona Rudd
Monday	Melinda Scrivener Courtney Clark

**Birthdays:** Happy Birthday to our students who celebrate their birthdays this week and during the holidays.....

Nathan Henderson-Walls, Olivia Ladmore, Mikayla Mitrevski, Nathan Mitrevski & Hamish Rodgers-Smith

### Reminders

#### Payments due

- ☺ T 3 PSSA Yrs 3&4 \$15, Yrs 5&6 \$25.
  - ☺ Yr 6 Dance Props \$55
  - ☺ Dance program –K to Yr2- \$25 per student – due 21/8/12
  - ☺ P&C School Levy –all families \$50
- BSB: 062 644 Account: 00900425

Don't miss this years'.....

## Annual FHPS TAFE Dinner Wednesday October 17

Ticket price includes cocktail/mocktail on arrival, 3 course meal, unlimited beer & house wine and soft drinks.

**Dress theme:** F, H, P or S

**Ticket price:** \$50 per person

**Venue:** TAFE 20/20 Restaurant, Foleys Lane, North Wollongong

**Time:** 6pm – 9.30pm

**RSVP:** Tickets available from the school office. Tables of 8-10 are available. Seats are limited so please reserve your seats now!

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to our students and school families for a busy Term 4.

Over the next few weeks, next years' Kindergarten students commence their orientation activities. For existing families additional information is forthcoming. However if you know of any new members to our school community, could you please encourage them to confirm their child's attendance at the planned sessions.

I mentioned late Term 3, that teachers would be reviewing 2012 NAPLAN data. This will commence on Friday with primary class teachers analysing data, trends, and related program support, in identifying future directions and planning.

Supporting this training will be further ongoing involvement with the 'Taking off With Numeracy' program. This is a Community of School initiative fully supported by the school.

The school has been fortunate to receive money for our 'Live Life Well @ School' action plans. It involves curriculum activities, developing resource packs and material in addition to grounds improvements. Thanks to Ms Parkinson for co-ordinating the submission and supporting our application.

We have a number of senior students attending the Illawarra Music Camp at Jamberoo this week. Good luck to Shannon, Simon, Grace and Ruby, who will be part of a night of presentations on Thursday evening.

Please be reminded of the P&C dinner at Wollongong TAFE next Wednesday evening 17<sup>th</sup> October. It's a terrific nightout, and an opportunity to meet other parents of our school. Secure your table now!

Regards

Wayne Thomas  
Principal

### "Words of the Week"

The aim is to use each word appropriately as many times as you can throughout the week - your teachers will be encouraging this at school too!

Can the teachers catch you using these words correctly?



#### Words of the Week

iconic  
ecological  
typhoon  
twofold

### Canteen News

An updated Canteen Price list is included with today's newsletter.

New snacks and drinks have been added as well as the addition of chicken breast as an option for sandwiches or salad tubs/plates. Please replace your old price list with this new one to avoid confusion. Keep watch for some exciting special menu days coming up this term.

### For Sale from Canteen

Pop-top juices, (best before date has expired). Flavours available are Apple & Blackcurrant and Orange. Price 50c each. They can be purchased from the canteen in canteen hours.

### Volunteer Needed

Canteen volunteer for the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. Please contact Elisa Stevanoski 0414638136 if you can assist.

### Permission Notes for School Activities

If a permission note is required for a school activity please send it in to your child's class teacher. Ideally send payment (if required) with the permission note.

If you are sending in payment via a sibling please write on the permission note which does not have the payment, who has the payment eg. Payment with John Smith 6A. This will ensure the teacher knows which children in the class have permission to attend the activity and if it's been paid. Thank you for your assistance in this matter. If you need further clarification please contact the school office.

### Student Late Arrival and Early Releases

The school day commences at 8.53am and concludes at 3.00pm. Accurate roll records are essential for DEC and legal requirements.

Students who arrive after classes have commenced must report to the office to collect a late note which they will hand to their teacher when they enter the classroom. A parent or caregiver does not need to accompany students to the office.

Students leaving early from school must be signed out of school at the school office by a parent or caregiver. A parent or caregiver must accompany the student when leaving.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

### Lord Mayors' Picnic in the Park

The **Lord Mayors' Picnic in the Park** will be held this year on Sunday 04 November, from 10am until 12noon in McCabe Park, Wollongong. The picnic is a celebration for 2013 Kindergarten students and their families and will include live entertainment, activities and free giveaways for all.

The picnic is traditionally a very successful community event, with well over 300 people attending each year.

Shabnam Hinton

Transition to School Program Co-ordinator

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### Keiraville Community Preschool 60<sup>th</sup> birthday

Keiraville Community Preschool's 60th birthday picnic celebration is taking place at the preschool on Saturday 20th October, the second week of term 4.

Please contact the preschool office on 4229 6442 or Katie on 0431 892936 if you would like to be involved with the celebrations.

### P&C Levy

Thank you to the families who have sent in their P&C Levy for 2012. Your support is greatly appreciated. The P&C support our school in many ways for example, financial assistance with school activities and purchasing of school resources for both junior and senior classes. Families can send in the \$50 levy via their child or direct debit the amount into the P&C account:  
**BSB 062 644 Account number: 00900425**

Regards  
FHPS P&C

### Wests Illawarra Cricket Club

Wests Illawarra Cricket Club will be holding a registration afternoon on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm at Figtree Oval for all those who wish to participate in our "In to Cricket" Sessions. This session is designed as a skills session lasting 75 minutes on a Saturday morning for children aged 6-10. More information contact Craig Arthur on [craigmeg@westnet.com.au](mailto:craigmeg@westnet.com.au). First session starts 8.45am on Sat 20<sup>th</sup> October (registrations also taken on the day).

Craig Arthur

Wests Illawarra Cricket Club Into Cricket Co-ordinator

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