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# Heights of Excellence FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

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information - news and views - coming events

## Term 1 - Week 8 Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2012

### Coming Events

#### This Week

Tues 13

Infants Campout meeting 5.30pm

Wed 14

Zone Netball Trials

Regional Swimming Carnival

Fri 16

To Yr 6: High school EOI forms to be returned to school

Yrs 3 & 4 PSSA, Yrs 5 & 6 AFL

**CRAZY HAIR DAY** - gold coin donation for the Leukemia Foundation, this is NOT a mufti day

#### Next Week

Fri 23

Infants Camp out

Yrs 3 & 4 PSSA, Yrs 5 & 6 AFL

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**UNIFORM SHOP** is changing its opening day and time it will now be open each **Wednesday morning 8.45am - 9.15am.**

Uniform stock updated information on page 2.

**Birthdays:** Happy Birthday to our students who celebrate their birthdays this week ....

**Alex Berry, Joseph Cooper**  
**D'arcy Griffiths, Liam Walter**

### Reminders

☺ Yrs 5 & 6 to secure a ticket for the performance of Sadako return you EOI note by Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March. Spare notes are available from the office.

☺ Yr 6 - High school EOI forms to be returned by 16/3/12

☺ **K - 2 GYMSPORT** permission notes and payment -\$30 due 16/3/12.

☺ All Years - Textbook payment due 30<sup>th</sup> March

☺ Yrs 3 & 4 PSSA sport permission note and payment \$25

☺ Yrs 5 & 6 AFL sport permission note due now and payment \$24 due 20/3/12

### CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon, Wed & Fri - open for recess and lunch  
Tues & Thurs - open for lunchtime snacks only

Tuesday	13/3	Rebecca Moore Jo Brain
Wednesday	14/3	Amanda Taylor Leesa Radic
Thursday	15/3	Tamara Gardiner Rhiannon Synott
Friday	16/3	Sharyn Grant Tammy Reh
Monday	19/3	Melinda Grant Courtney Clarke

Is anyone available to serve snacks only on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month. Please advise the office.

We still need a volunteer for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday and 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month.



Dear Parents, Students and Caregivers,

With the weather being so inclement, students are to be commended for their positive behaviour, in particular during wet weather play times. There hasn't been much of an opportunity for our students to "burn off a bit of energy" and be out in the playground, so we are particularly pleased with the manner in which they have continued their studies. Well done to all of our kids!

Good luck to our swimmers at this Wednesday's Regional Carnival at Dapto. This is the postponed date, and hopefully the weather will allow the event to proceed.

This Wednesday the school is fortunate to receive a visit from the Illawarra South East Region performing group. It will be held in the school hall, and involves public school students from across the Region, performing some wonderful and entertaining musical routines. We have had visits from this group in the past and they have been very well received by students and staff.

Staff continue to participate in professional learning activities with K-2 teachers involved with Best Start Software training, and Years 3-6 teachers, program sharing this week. In addition we have a number of teaching staff attending the 'Climate Savers' program at Port Kembla on Thursday.

Finally a special thank you to Daniel, Amin, Simon, Jacob, Sebastian H and Clay for their involvement with fundraising for the Leukemia Foundation, with the Crazy Hair/hair cut day this coming Friday. Good luck with it boys, we are very proud of your efforts.

Have a great week.

Regards,  
Wayne Thomas  
Principal



#### Thought of the Week

"You can run an office without a boss, but you can't run an office without Secretaries".

Jane Fonda

### Year 6 to 7 - 2013 High School Expression of Interest Forms

Forms are to be completed and returned by Friday 16 March 2012.

If your child does not require placement in a government school, please complete Section E of the form and return it to school.

### Congratulations Brock Scrivener

Congratulations to Brock Scrivener who performed brilliantly at the National Surf Life Saving Championships on the Gold Coast last week.

Brock has won the Flag event 5 years in a row in addition to the Sprint event 4 years in a row.

A wonderful performance, from a very talented athlete

### AFL and PSSA Sport Update

Due to the recent bad weather the school has had to cancel and postpone some of its sport programs.

**Yrs 5-6 AFL** sport has been rescheduled to start when the school oval dries out. The organisers have offered to continue the program into Term 2 so all students can complete the program and receive their AFL gift packs. Payment of \$24 is due now.

**Yrs 3-4 PSSA** sport has been cancelled for the last two weeks and we will have to wait to see what the remaining weeks bring. Payment for cancelled sport days will be transferred to Term 3 PSSA sport program. In order to keep all student payments equal - all Year 3/4 students are required to pay \$25 PSSA sport money.

Please be assured the school has financial records as to who has paid for what and no family will be paying for cancelled sport days. The payment due date has been extended and students who are yet to pay are asked to send in their money when they can.

If you need further clarification please contact the office.

Thank you

### Book Covering - Thank you

A HUGE thank you to: Gerty Pelekanos, Anne McKay, Tammy Reh, Tracy Chichkan and Tracy Ellem, for recently covering our new class readers and dictionaries.

Guess what! We have **more books to cover**. If you have some spare time we would really appreciate help in getting these books covered so the children can start using them. We have printed instructions on how to cover books if you need them.

You can pick up some books and contact from the school office. THANKS 😊

### Uniform Update

Accompanying this newsletter is a uniform price list/order form. If you require a girl's winter uniform or unisex tie, orders should be placed now and payment sent in with order.

Sport uniforms are (finally) due within two weeks and a full supply of jackets and track pants will be in stock by 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Long green girl's socks are available from the uniform shop

### CENTRAL WOLLONGONG PSSA

For information and updates on PSSA events, parents and caregivers are advised to check the Central Wollongong PSSA website at:

<http://central.wollongong.wordpress.com>

### P&C News

#### To New & Existing Parents

If you cannot make P&C meetings but would like to receive P&C minutes please email me and I will add you to the email distribution list

[jennifer.english@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jennifer.english@det.nsw.edu.au)

Jenny English Secretary - FHPS P&C

### P & C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The P&C AGM will be held on the 21 March with all positions becoming vacant. Please mark this date on your calendar and consider nomination for one of these positions.

### Kembla Joggers - Fitness 5

Date: Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 12

Time: Race starts 8.30am

Start & Finish: Illawarra Performing Arts Centre, Wollongong

For information sheet please ask at school front office or online registration

[www.fitness5.com.au](http://www.fitness5.com.au)

### Kids' Fishing Workshop

Kids 8-14 years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly Friday, 13 April 2012. Instructors are experienced volunteers and staff from the Department of Primary Industries.

For more information please see the Community Notice Board in school foyer.

### Trivia Night

#### Support some kids to dance in Disney Land

TRIVIA NIGHT 6.30pm Saturday, 17 March 2012 Quality Suites Pioneer Sands, 19 Carters Lane, Towradgi.

Cost is \$25 pp - 10 per table, price includes cocktail food.

More information on Community Notice Board in school foyer.

### Illawarra and South East Regional Performing Ensemble

There will be an exciting performance by ISER Performing Company at Figtree Heights on Wednesday 14 March. The time of the performance is yet to be announced but it will be in school time.

All students are invited to watch this presentation which features many talented students from all around the Illawarra singing, dancing and playing instruments in the band.

**If your child would like to attend the performance please enclose \$4 per student or \$6 for each family in an envelope clearly marked with name/s of student/s attending, class, and "ISERPE Performance" written on the front and return to class teachers.**

Thank you

Iris Costello

Each year 45 young performers are selected by audition from Regional High Schools to form the **Illawarra and South East Regional Performing Ensemble**.

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For more information visit the website [www.rasouth.net/ensemble](http://www.rasouth.net/ensemble)

### ADHD or Asperger's Syndrome "Getting Sorted"

When: Wednesday March 14th 2012

Where: Citylife Church

129 Jardine Street, Fairy Meadow

Time: 7pm - 9pm

Cost: \$15.00 per person

To book: Phone Jill at Citylife 0413048453 or Barbara 0403582372

For further information see Community Notice Board in school foyer.