

Term 1 – Week 5 Monday 25 February, 2013

Coming Events

This Week

Mon 25

Dragons Clinic 11.30am – Stage 2

Wed 27

District Swimming Carnival

Fri March 1

Gymsport K-2

Last day for Kindergarten students to finish at 2.30pm

Next Week

Mon 4

Hawks visit – Stage 2 students, 2-3pm

First day for Kindergarten students to finish at 3pm

Tues 5

Regional Swimming Carnival

Wed 6

Village Fair Meeting 7pm in staffroom

Fri 8

Hot Dog Day – *more info soon*

Gymsport K-2

Payment Reminders

District Swimming Carnival – competitors

\$5 due now

Gymsport – Kindergarten – Yr 2- \$30

**Happy Birthday to
our students who are
celebrating their
birthdays this
week....**



Ryan Barry, Kristiana Brugnera,
Breanna Luke, Samuel Pelekanos and
Caelan Cook

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon, Wed & Fri – open for recess and lunch

Tues & Thurs – open for lunchtime snacks only

Tuesday	Cindy Ladmore Jacqui Smart
Wednesday	Cindy Russell Julie Jones
Thursday	Shari Fox Alissa Stewart
Friday	Anne McKay Amanda Taylor Cathy Badans Kerry Hatchman Rebecca Anderson
Monday	Carmen Lemmon Cath Hailstone

Uniform Shop News

Open Morning –

Monday 8.45am – 9.15am

School back packs are now in stock.

White ties for girl's summer uniforms will be in shortly.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

With the ongoing wet weather, Sunday's Family Welcome BBQ was postponed. Thank you to those families who responded to the invitation. A further decision will be made in the near future, regarding a new date. Hopefully the weather will clear!

Good luck to our competitors attending the District Swimming Carnival at Western Suburbs pool this Wednesday. Over 30 swimmers will compete on the day, with our very own Mrs Hayward the Carnival Manager. Best wishes to them all!

Staff continue to be involved in professional learning opportunities, with meetings with other local schools planned for Wednesday afternoon K-6, in addition to Mrs Thurston (technology) and Mr Costello (Choral Festival) activities this week.

Language, Learning Literacy programs continue for Stage 1 teachers.

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in district sports teams:


Sebastian Hewat	Open Rugby League
Declan Oyston	11yrs Rugby League
Luc English	AFL
Max Taylor	AFL
Jed Ainsworth	AFL
Thomas Jeffrey	AFL

We wish them all the best at future Zone trials.

Our students are looking terrific in their school uniforms. A reminder: that the wearing of jewellery (apart from watches, studs and sleepers) is not part of the agreed uniform, and we encourage all of our students to support this policy. Parent assistance is greatly appreciated.

Have a great week

Regards
Wayne Thomas


Thought of the Week
"The dictionary is the only place where success comes before work."

Arthur Brisbane

Textbook Sales Day Success!

A HUGE thank you to students, families and staff for making our first textbook sales day a success. The morning went off without a hitch. Sellers expected to be finished by lunchtime but the process was all done by recess. All of our students now have their essential textbooks ready for class lessons.

P&C Minutes

Minutes of the P&C meeting (20/03/13) are available from the Community Noticeboard in the school foyer. If you would like an electronic copy please send an email to the school - subject: Request copy of P&C meeting 20/02/13.

Village Fair Meeting

Our school's Village Fair will be held on Saturday 26 October this year. For our new families: the fair is held in the school grounds. We have a large variety of stalls, rides and activities. It is always a lot of fun and is our major fundraiser for the year.

On Wednesday 6 March at 7pm there is a meeting in the staff room for people who would like to be involved, have ideas or would just like more information about the Village Fair. Please come along and show your support for this worthwhile fundraiser.

Canteen News

Due to popular demand the canteen has sourced and is trialling a nut free, dairy free, gluten free chocolate spread for pikelets. They will see how the children enjoy the taste before introducing it on a permanent basis.

Book Coverers needed

We have some library books that require covering. If you are able to assist please call to the office to pick some up. Your help is greatly appreciated.

International Competitions and Assessments

The school is again giving students in years 3 to 6 the opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments program (previously referred to as the Uni competitions).

This year the school is participating in Spelling, English and Mathematics. Students can choose to do all, some or none of the assessments (they are not compulsory). Permission and (non-refundable payment) is required by the 'Closing Date for Entries'. An information sheet accompanies this newsletter. For more information please see the organising teacher – Mrs Jan Smith.

Australian Government – Schoolkids Bonus

Accompanying this week's newsletter is an information sheet regarding Schoolkids Bonus. It may be of interest for some of our families.

NRMA Motoring & Services (NRMA) Student Competition-Help keep us safe!

NRMA Motoring & Services (NRMA) is committed to helping schools' educate the students, parents and community about road safety.

A Student Competition is being run called: Help keep us safe! The competition offers prizes to schools and students in seven categories from Kindergarten to Year 6 and closes on the 15th April 2013. The competition challenges students to learn more about travelling safely to and from school AND then to create and deliver a road safety message that educates their parents. More information about the competition can be found at:

www.mynrma.com.au/roadbotscomp.

Engineering Science room (near Auditorium)

Bring: One piece for fruit and own drink

Activities: Craft, painting, games, toys, cooking, bikes etc.

PCYC Fun Fridays

PCYC, Reddall Pde, Lake Illawarra is having FUN FRIDAYS, 6-8pm for children aged 5-12years. Cost is \$10. An information brochure is on our Community Noticeboard.

Figtree High Expo Night

Figtree High Auditorium,

Wed 27th Feb, 6pm

Parents and students who are interested in finding out what Figtree High has to offer in Yr7 2014 are invited to the annual FHS Expo Night.

Further information phone 42712787

Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts Expo Evening

Thursday 28 February,

5.30-7pm

Are you considering WHSPA as your choice of secondary school? If so, come and meet us at the Expo Evening.

Lysaghts Rd, Fairy Meadow

MOUNT ST THOMAS PRE SCHOOL

We provide a nurturing environment to make children's first transition to Preschool a fun and positive experience. Our School Readiness program has been developed to cover all the Developmental Areas which will assist children to make a smooth transition to

"Big School"

*** 20 Place Centre**

*** Hours 8.15 am - 5.00 pm**

*** Ages 2-6 years**

*** Government rebates Available**

17 Mount Street, Mount St Thomas

Ph:42295114

Little Figgies Playgroup

Tuesday 10.45 – 12.15pm

Figtree High School



Figtree Heights OOSH

After School Care 3pm – 6pm

Vacation Care 8am – 6pm

Figtree Heights Public School Hall

St George Avenue, FIGTREE NSW 2525

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***Do you need someone qualified and caring to care for
your children in the local community?***

***Then come on in and visit our wonderful out of school
hours care service!***

We offer care for children 5-12yrs of age and comply with Education and
Care National Services Regulations

We are a not for profit community owned business run
and operated by **Figtree Heights Public School P & C!**