

Term 3 – Week 1
Tuesday 16 July, 2013

Coming Events

This Week

Parent and Teacher Interviews will be conducted this week and next week.

Wed 16

CANTEEN CLOSED

Fri 19

Dance2BFit commences for K-6

Next Week

Thurs 25

Southern Stars Drumming rehearsal in the hall
 9am-2pm

Fri 26

Dance2BFit K-6

Payment Reminders

Yr 6 T-shirts - \$34.60

Dance2BFit \$27 – whole school activity. Due 19/8/13

Voluntary School Contribution - \$50 per family. Spare notes in school foyer.

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 BSB: 062 644 Account No: 00900425.
Remember to write your child's surname in the 'payment description'. Thanks!

VILLAGE FAIR
SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER

CANTEEN ROSTER

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

Tuesday	Sarah Baulch Gerty Pelekanos
Wednesday	CANTEEN CLOSED
Thursday	Simone Pratt Pat Gibson
Friday	Sharyn Grant Tammy Reh Taryn McCall
Monday	Nicky Lawler Rhiannon Synott



Happy Birthday to
 Putri Azhar, Karina Hunt, Josiah Moore and Samuel Roberts **who are celebrating their birthdays this week.**

You are all invited to our.....

Wine & Wig Night
Saturday 24th August, 7pm

Figtree Heights Public School Hall

BYO Wine and Nibbles.....
and we will supply the entertainment, games, music and prizes.

Tickets \$10 per person
from the school office

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back, it's great to be commencing Term Three studies.

I anticipate that this term will continue to be a busy one for staff and students with additional activities including – Southern Stars, Choir Festival, Educational Week and Book Week activities, Life Education Program, and District and Regional Activities.

Staff will continue to be involved in professional learning activities around National English and Mathematics curriculum.

Staff News

Mrs Petersen will be leaving our school for a 12 month secondment to Wollongong University to lecture in Primary Education studies, commencing next week. Mrs Manning will be teaching 2P until the end of the school year. I welcome her to our staff.

The Semester One interview process has started, so please take the opportunity to speak with your child's teacher about their achievements throughout the year. We look forward to sharing student's information with you.

Have a terrific week.

Regards,
Wayne Thomas



Now you know why:

Why is shifting responsibility to someone else called 'passing the buck'?

Because in card games, it was once customary to pass

an item, called a buck, from player to player to indicate whose turn it was to deal. If a player did not wish to assume the responsibility of dealing, he would 'pass the buck' to the next player.

Thought of the Week:

Improvement begins with 'I'.

Arnold Glasow

P&C Social Night for Term 3

The P&C are organising a Wine and Wig Night on Saturday August 24 for parents and teachers. It's going to be a terrific night filled with music and merriment and the price is only \$10 per ticket.

They are looking for a business to donate a bottle of whisky and Baileys. If you know of a business that can help, please let the office know.

An information flyer accompanies this newsletter so save the date, come along and have a great night out!

CHOIR UPDATE

We had a good rehearsal day at Farmborough Rd PS and I was really pleased with the efforts our Year 3 and 4 students have put into learning the songs and actions.

Congratulations to Tayla Ward who was chosen to sing the solo part in the Annie Medley on our performance night.

Elise Taylor will also be playing the glockenspiel part for the National Anthem.

We now have 4 weeks to learn our Individual item and get ready for the Festival.

Please put the date **TUESDAY 13TH AUGUST** in your home calendars.

We will be at the Shellharbour Workers Club during the day and then the performance that night.

A permission and information note will come out closer to the date however I am asking if there are any parents who would be prepared to be ushers on the night.

I have promised the committee that we can provide 5 parents to do this.

If you would like to help out on the night please contact the school and leave your name and number with the office staff.

Thanks again

Greg Costello

Choir Coordinator

Term timetable

Accompanying this week's newsletter is our Term 3 planner. Please use it as a guide for school activities.

Australian Newsletters – Advertising

There are two advertising spaces available for page 4 of our school newsletter (2013/14) and we would like to fill them ASAP. If you know of a business that would like to advertise in our weekly newsletter, please pass on the following contact details: michelle@austnews.com.au or 0409992479.

Premier's Reading Challenge and Library Information

Congratulations to **Emmaline Pirie** (KP), **Zoe Brain** (KP), **Kasey Reh** (2P), **Eve Christensen** (2P), **Ellie Reh** (2/3T) and **Bailey Craft** (4/5T) for completing their Reading Challenge. Well done!

The following PRC books were read and may be added to your child's reading record, if you wish:

KP & K/1W – 12021 – Through the magic mirror – Anthony Browne and 18576 – Ella Kazoo will not brush her hair – Lee Fox.

All Year 1 children: 12070 – Sticky stuff – Kate Walker and 4925 – Wombat stew – Marcia Vaughan.

Year 2 children in 2/3T: 989 – The Bugalugs bum thief – Tim Winton.

The Library lunchtime roster for this week is:

Tuesday	Bailey C & Ebony F
Wednesday	Ethan C & Nathan G
Thursday	Oshini H & Isaac M
	Isaac M & Ethan Car,
Friday	Liam W, Lauren R

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Teacher-Librarian

Catholic Care Wollongong

Catholic Care runs excellent courses in parenting, family and relationship skills and anti-bullying strategies. Included here are some of the courses. Please contact Catholic Care on Wollongong 4227 1122 for a full timetable.

Figtree Heights Public School Kindergarten 2014

We have begun our enrolment process for Kindergarten 2014.

'In-Area' families with children who will be starting school in 2014 please collect, complete and return an Expression of Interest form from the school office.

'Out-of Area' families who have children already attending Figtree Heights and have a kindergarten child wishing to start in 2014, please collect, complete and return an Expression of Interest form from the school office.

If you have already handed in the above forms, thank you, you do not need to fill them in again.

It is important we get this information as soon as possible.

If you know any new families in our school community could you pass on this information (or slip this message in their letter box).

The school office has the list of streets that make up our area. Families who are unsure if they are 'in-area' can phone, email or call into the school office for more information.

Ph: 4228 6555

E: figtreehts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au



Figtree Heights OOSH

After School Care 3pm – 6pm

Vacation Care 8am – 6pm

Figtree Heights Public School Hall

St George Avenue, FIGTREE NSW 2525

• Phone: (02) 4227 2515 • Fax: (02) 4226 5061 • Email:
centre@fhoosh.net • ABN: 55 782 160 086

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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!**