



FIGTREE HEIGHTS

PUBLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs Skye Hayward

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Term 4 No: 10 Friday 12th December

Message from the Principal

What's Happening at the Heights?

Week Beginning 15/12

Mon 15

Students Semester 2 Academic Report to go out today

Wed 17

Last day of Term 4 for students



Wednesday 28th January is school start date for students Years 1 -6 in 2015.

Best Start Assessments will be held Wed 28th, Thurs 29th & Fri 30th January for new 2015 Kindergarten students.

New 2015 Kindergarten students will start school Monday 2nd February.

**HAPPY
SUMMER
HOLIDAYS
TO OUR
STUDENTS
AND THEIR
FAMILIES!**



The holidays are upon us! It is hard to believe the year is drawing to an end, and what a year it has been. Before we say goodbye to 2014 I have a few important messages:

We say Goodbye!

I would like to take this opportunity to say farewell to Mrs Kiri Stone and wish her all the very best for her future at Nareena Hills. They are certainly very lucky to be stealing her away from us and I know they will appreciate her up there as much as we have here! You will be taking away part of our heart Mrs Stone, but it is just the beginning of a very exciting time in your career. We will miss you!

In other very sad, but also exciting news, Miss Crista Wolski will also be farewelling us, but hopefully only for a year. Miss Wolski has been successful in an expression of interest for a relieving Assistant Principal role for 2015. Miss Wolski is a very experienced teacher and the time has come for her to spread her wings in a bigger school. We will miss you Miss Wolski, but we know it is selfish to think we can hold onto you forever. All the very best in your career, we hope this is not goodbye forever!

On Wednesday afternoon we are saying farewell to our wonderful class of 2014. In Figtree Heights tradition we will have a whole school assembly followed by the ringing of the bell and arch of goodbye. It would be wonderful to see our community at this event as a chapter closes for our Year 6 students as well as Mrs Stone and Miss Wolski. The event will begin at 2pm.

2015 Classing

Next week we are anticipating the announcement of 2015 classes. Students will be notified of their placement by their class teacher. Announcement of classes can be a very daunting prospect for many children and to ensure we are supporting our students we are informing them before the school holidays. Please note these are anticipated classes, there is always the possibility of more families moving into our area causing a re-structure, however it is not likely, but is possible. We appreciate all families filling out class consideration forms to assist in the process and we have dedicated many staff meetings to ensure all aspects are looked into. The process of classing requires extensive planning and it is not a topic we take lightly as it impacts our entire school. We appreciate your support in this process.

Have a great weekend!

Warm regards,

Skye Hayward

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SCHOOL INFORMATION & EVENTS

SILVER Value Wristband Awardees

Well done to the following students.....

20	Ella Cook
5L	Samuel Pelakanos
5/6T	Genevieve Krizsan

EMERALD Value Wristband

Awardee Congratulations to the following students.....

KP	Andre Dzeperoski Annie Dennis Ally Luke Eva Bonacina Chevy O'Connor
KS	Lily Brett Carter Cook William Burns Chelsea Neill
3/4D	Eve Christensen Jaime Kiley Abbey Lemmon William Brett Ziggy Badans
3/4PR	Keeley Reynolds Maddie Ladmore Kirra Synott Mackenzie Smart Kasey Reh Karly Fox
5L	Bailey Craft
5/6T	Erin Erler Olivia Ladmore

GOLD Value Wristband Awardees

CONGRATULATIONS to
The following students....

KS	Aaron Christensen Angus Newton
1/2M	Anastasia Popovska
20	Yolanda Chichkan Ava Geralaxis Lachlan Anderson
3/4D	Mikayla Mitrevski
5L	Oshini Herath Samuel Pelakanos
5/6T	Jarni Goode Hayden Michlmayr

Textbook selling day



Head-up for 2015!

Figtree Heights will be holding
its textbook selling day on
Thursday 5th February 2015.

Textbooks are an essential part of
classroom lessons and all students
will be required to purchase books.

Early Term 1 students will be
notified the cost of their classroom
textbooks.

Payment can be brought in on
selling day. Thank you for your
anticipated assistance

Well Done Ethan Carruthers!

Ethan Carruthers and his team 'The Nerdy T-Rexes' completed in the first Lego League Australian Championships on the weekend at Macquarie University. There were 38 teams competing.

Ethan and his team were rookies and a wildcard entry. They achieved the Teamwork Award.
Well done and congratulations Ethan!

Happy Birthday to students who are celebrating their birthdays today, next week and in the school holidays.....

Asha Andrews, Jai Cole, Chiara D'Amico, Tyce De Bruyn, Kaden Goode, Chloe Kisling, Lara Limbrick, Zali O'Brien, Ashton Ocvirk, Sara Radford, Chloe Rutlegde, Danush Talpaneni, Chloe Wilkinson, Beau Baldock, Clay Batchelor, Maddie Clarke, Mason Daley, Brock De Oliveira, Andre Dzeperoski, Isaac Erler, Alby Ferguson, Jarni Goode, Noah Grant, Luke Hughes, Noah McNally, Gideon Moore, Tayla Radic, Kasey Reh, Carter Russell, Elise Scobie, Kynan Ware, Annabel Wouters & Eileen Zhou

Congratulations to Abby Adlington

Abby recently received a high distinction A+ in her 2nd grade speech and drama exam. Well done Abby!

Abby also attended the exhibition of artwork in Queanbeyan from her time at The Illawarra and South East Region Visual Arts Camp. She had 2 days at Greenhills, Canberra and it was open to students in Years 5,6,7 and 8. She absolutely had a ball.



Canteen Volunteering
2015

Please send in your (pink) volunteering sheet. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Canteen News:

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CANTEEN ROSTER

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Mon	Caro Simons, Gilli Newton
Tues	Gerty Pelekanos, Nicky Lawler
Wed	Sonia Latif, Atared Latif

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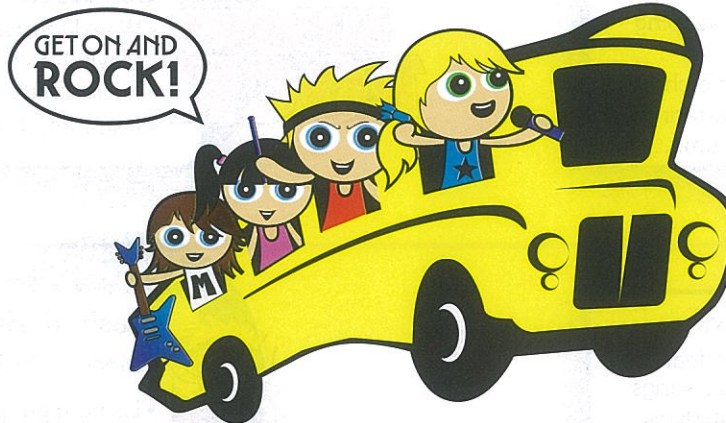
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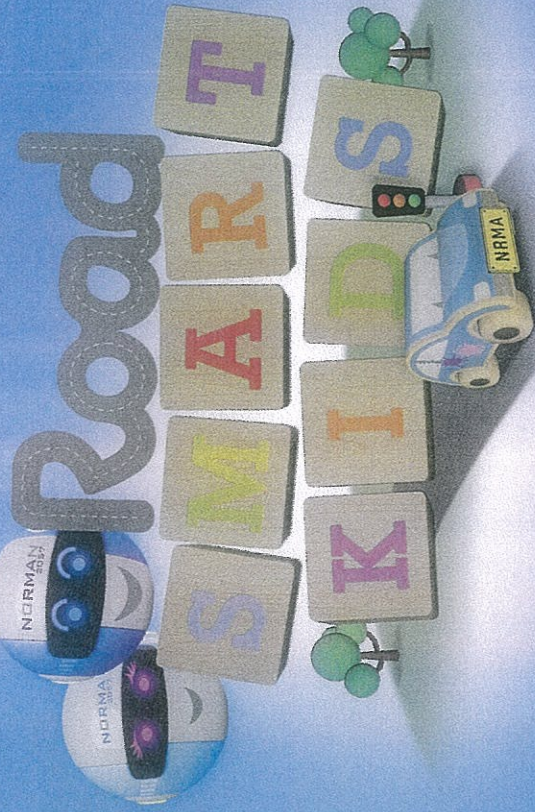
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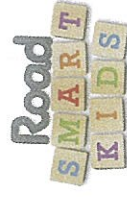
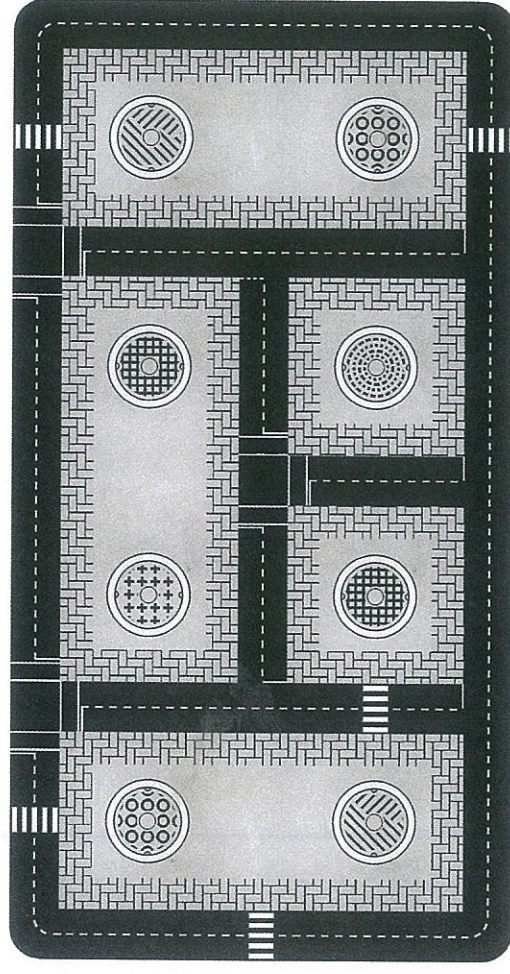
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