



# FIGTREE HEIGHTS

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs Skye Hayward

*respect, responsibility, care, integrity, excellence, fairness*

Term 2 Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2015

### SCHOOL INFORMATION & EVENTS

#### What's Happening at the Heights?

**25/5 – 29/5**

Mon 25/5 & Tues 26/5  
Junior Band Camp

**Tues 26/6**

Sport in School

**Wed 27/6**

School Photo's  
5/6N Assembly 2pm in the hall

**Thurs 28/6**

Paul Kelly Cup

**Fri 29/5**

South Coast Cross Country

**Sunday 31/5**

Yr 6 Carwash

**1/6 – 5/6**

**Tues 2 June**

Book Club closes  
Sport in School

**Wed 3**

ICAS Science assessment

#### **Entertainment Book –FHPs fundraiser.**

Remember to purchase your Entertainment Book, they are really good value. Also send in any unwanted Entertainment Books so we can sell them on to others.

#### **Ethics at Figgy Heights**

Parents, Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles! We are still looking for an Ethics teacher for Stage 2 at Figtree Heights. All training is provided and the class is half an hour a week on Wednesday during SRE time. Please contact me for more details.

Amanda Bowen [figtreeheightspsethics@outlook.com](mailto:figtreeheightspsethics@outlook.com)



#### **School Photo Day Wednesday 27 May**

Families can send in their envelopes on or prior to the day. Payment can be made online or sent into school in student's envelope. Sibling and spare envelopes are available from the school office

#### **Canteen Meeting Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May after morning assembly**

There will be a canteen meeting in the Music Room (demountable classroom next to the Library) after the morning assembly on Wed 27 May. Everyone welcome!

#### **Lost Property**

The lost property tub is overflowing with unlabelled items. All unclaimed items of school uniform will be donated to the Uniform Shop. All plastic-ware will be disposed of. Please have a look by next Thursday if you have lost anything

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## ***Walk Safely to School Day***

Thank you to those students who were intending to catch one of the walking buses this morning. It would have been a great trial for those students 'catching the bus'. Not only would you have enjoyed your ride, but learnt more about road safety on the way. The Walking Bus is a small initiative to encourage safe ways to walk to school for our students. As you know parking is an issue around our school and if we can encourage alternate ways to get to school we will try to assist. A big thank you to Miss Dejanovic for organising this event, hopefully we can hold it again soon.

## ***Super Star Assemblies***

A small reminder to all families and students in regard to our 'SuperStar' assemblies held on Wednesday's. Student's names will be published in the school newsletter the Friday before they are to receive their award. If a child's name is not in the newsletter, they have missed the cut off for that week and will not be receiving the star at the next 'SuperStar' assembly. Please make sure you check the school newsletter to see when your child will be receiving their award.

## ***School Uniform***

At Figtree Heights we wear our school uniform with pride. By now all students should be in full winter uniform, including ties for both boys and girls. Winter school uniform includes boys having their shirts tucked in and sleeves rolled down. We understand shirts come out when playing and often boys can get hot when playing at lunchtime, however, the expectation is for uniforms to be fixed when re-entering the classroom or at assemblies.

Of late, many non-school jumpers have crept into school, including PSSA jumpers on non-sports days. If you are unable to send your child to school in full school uniform please let the office know. We have a large bank of second hand jumpers and other uniform items available and are only too happy to assist if required.

If you are unsure of any part of our school uniform, please go to our school website where photos and descriptions are available. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

## ***Stage 3 Camp***

Yesterday our Stage 3 students left for camp. The students, accompanied by Miss Corcoran, Miss Mckell and Mr Costello, left bright and early for Canberra. Over their two days they were lucky enough to visit New and Old Parliament House, The Australian War Memorial, Questacon and Australian Institute of Sport, all topped off with an overnight stay at Camp Cottermouth. We cannot wait to hear about their trip when they return later tonight. We have already posted a few photos on our website and Facebook page, but are waiting to get the rest from the teachers and students when they return.

## ***Central Wollongong District Cross Country***

It finally happened, after numerous postponements, the District Cross Country went ahead on Tuesday. Congratulations to every student who participated in the carnival, you all should be very proud of your efforts. Mrs Pirie and Mr Nielsen were especially proud of our team and a special mention needs to go out to all our students for their team spirit. I have been contacted by a number of other sports organisers explaining how wonderful the students from Figtree Heights were at the carnival. No matter what school a student was from, our cheer squad got them over the line by cheering and encouraging them. Thank you, displaying great sportsmanship is a wonderful quality and I am very proud to know students from our school have gone out of their way to encourage others.

A special mention to Nathan Henderson-Walls (1<sup>st</sup> in 12/13 years boys 3km race), Christopher Sink (3<sup>rd</sup> in 12/13 years boys 3km race) and Eloise Taylor (2<sup>nd</sup> in 12/13 years girls 3km race). These students will be representing our school at the Regional Championships in Nowra. We wish you all the very best. Congratulations also, to Kai Lovegrove (6<sup>th</sup> place in 8/9 years boys 2km race), Kai is first reserve for the Regional Carnival.

## ***Class of the Fortnight***

At our main school assemblies, a class of the fortnight is announced. This class is chosen by our teachers and can be awarded for many different reasons, including, but not limited to: displaying the school values consistently, attendance, uniform or even audience manners at assembly. Along with a trophy, the class of the fortnight will present a double page feature in our school newsletter. Congratulations to **2/3F** and **Mrs Fincher** for being our inaugural feature class.

Warm regards,  
**Skye Hayward**

Happy Birthday to students who are celebrating their  
birthdays today and next week.

**Harmonie Baker-Werth, Jayda Brain, Toby Jones & Rachel Leo**

# SCHOOL INFORMATION & EVENTS

## Super Stars!

In very exciting news, we have new **BRONZE** Super Stars this week! Congratulations to the following students:

K/1E	Skylar Lawler Hollie McCall	Annie Dennis Eva Bonacina	Asher Percival	
1T	Ally Luke	Hadley Morris	Zoe Pasco	Eileen Zhou
2/3F	Isabel Burnes			
2/3S	Ella Cook	Khye Forrester	Laura Smith	Emmaline Pirie
3/4F	Kelsie Frankham	Tebra Maulaie	Kaide Pratt	Jayda Brain
3/4P	Karina Hunt			
5/6C	Zoe Lovegrove	Isabel Smith		
5/6N	Abby Adlington Noah McNally	Olivia Grant Elise Scobie	Blake McKay	

In further exciting news, we have new **SILVER** Super Stars this week! Congratulations to the following students:



2/3S	Chloe Wilkinson
5/6N	Bree Luke



## Payment Reminders:

<b>Reading Eggs</b> – all years \$17. Due: 27/4/15 <b>POP Description:</b> Reading Eggs	<b>Maths online</b> - Yrs. 2 - 6 \$10 Due: 2/4/15 <b>POP Description:</b> Maths Online
<b>Sport in Schools</b> – K-Yr 6 \$45 Due: 9/6/15 <b>Note:</b> 3 or more students in the family - only pay for two. <b>POP Description:</b> Sport in Schools	<b>Choir participation payment:</b> Yrs. 2-4 \$10 Due now. <b>Note:</b> Choir T-shirt orders have finished. Students who did not order T-shirts are still required to pay the 'participation fee' of \$10. Thank you <b>POP Description:</b> Choir Participation Fee

**Student payment activity statements will be sent out this week. Please be reminded that all activity payments are due, except Sport in Schools which is due by Week 8 (9/6). Please send in your payments by Friday 22 May. Thank you.**



**Library Bags  
FOR SALE:**  
\$5 each  
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THE HIVE

Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC):

**Chloe Wilkinson, Toby Leo, Rachel Leo, Eloise Taylor**

Well done, I am so proud of your efforts! Please make sure you come and see me for your very exclusive 'Excellence in The Hive' Value Award.

**Book Reviews:** Ziggy B (5/6 Constellation) and Caelan C (3/4 Prism) are our very first book reviewers. Make sure you check out The Hive webpage to see their recommendations.

Have you borrowed a Hive library bag? Please return it as soon as possible.

There's no such thing as a kid who hates reading. There are kids who love reading, and kids who are reading the wrong books.

*James Patterson*

*Happy Reading!  
Mrs Ihurston*

Checkout The Hive's webpage: <http://www.figtreehts-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/classes-fhps/the-hive>



## Useful Information

To download our school phone app go to the App Store on iTunes (Google Play for Android users), search for Figtree Heights and simply download. **Username:** community **Password:** figtreehtsps

Please make sure you allow notifications from Figtree Heights in your phone's control settings.

The Community Noticeboard is located outside near the office and is used to advertise local sporting groups and community groups who offer services to our students and families.

### Canteen Roster Term 2

The canteen is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for recess and lunch orders.

Tuesday and Thursdays snacks at lunchtime only.

Baking		Kirsty Buffett
Mon	Mei Roberts & Alli McKenzie	
Tues	Leesa Radic, Angelia Godfrey & Nicky Lawler	
Wed	Atared Latif & Sonia Latif	
Thurs	Pat Gibson & Shari Fox	
Fri	Fiona Leo, Sonya De Bruyn & Jo Brain	

### Get Your Figtree Heights Newsletter....by email or on the school app!

Please be reminded: To receive newsletters by email send your email address to [figtreehts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:figtreehts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) and we will add you to our mailing list. The newsletter can also be viewed on the school app. Thanks!

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