



FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs Skye Hayward

respect, responsibility, care, integrity, excellence, fairness

Term 2 Friday 5th June, 2015

SCHOOL INFORMATION & EVENTS

What's Happening at the Heights?

8/6/15 – 12/6/15

Mon 8

Queen's B'day Public
Holiday

Tues 9

Sport in School

Wed 10

2/3F Assembly 2pm in the
hall
P&C meeting in the Hive at
6.30pm. Child minding
available.

Thurs 11

Debating at Lindsay Park –
whole day

Fri 12

Canteen Cottage Pie Day

15/6/15 – 19/6/15

Mon 15/6

ICAS Writing

Tues 16/6

ICAS Spelling

Wed 17/6

Musica Viva 9am
5/6C Assembly 2pm in the
hall

Enrolment for Kindergarten 2016

Figtree Heights is accepting enrolment applications for Kindergarten 2016. If you have a child starting school next year please make contact with the school office directly or phone 42286555. Please pass on this information to neighbours who have a child starting kindergarten next year.

The school is also taking expressions-of-interest for out-of-area 2016 kindergarten students. Enrolment cannot be guaranteed and will depend on the number of in-area students.

Entertainment Book – FHPS fundraiser – finishes 8th June
Please return unwanted Entertainment Books or your payment by
Tuesday 8th June.

Thank you for your support and we hope you use and enjoy the book!

Payment Reminders

Reading Eggs – all years
\$17. Due: 27/4/15

Maths online - Yrs. 2 - 6
\$10 Due: 2/4/15

Sport in Schools – K-Yr 6
\$45 Due: 9/6/15

Note: 3 or more students in
the family - only pay for two.

**Choir Rehearsal - Yr 2, 3 &
4. Bus fare \$5 Due: 18/6/15**

**Musica Viva - Whole
school \$6 Due Now**

Music Reminders

Junior Music Camp
Applications need to be
signed by Mrs Hayward
and posted by June 26.
Yr 5 & 6 students interested in
applying see Mr Costello.



**FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL
PARENTS & CITIZENS
ASSOCIATION**



P&C Federation

GENERAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 10TH JUNE
6.30PM IN THE HIVE
CHILD MINDING AVAILABLE

ALL PARENTS & CITIZENS WELCOME

**SHOW YOUR COMMITMENT AND STAY INFORMED
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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Year 6 Car Wash

On Sunday, our Year 6 students, parents and teachers held our very first car wash and what a successful day it was. Even though the toes and fingers of all those who were on the 'wash' almost froze, it was well worth all the effort. A big thank you to Dale Kotsopoulos and Miss Corcoran for organising this event. A big thank you also has to go to all the students, parents and teachers who gave up part, or in many cases all, of their Sunday to support this event with washing, cleaning, drying, cooking or organising. The customers can not be forgotten, thank you to all the families and friends who attended the car wash, without your support the day would not have been such a wonderful success.

Paper Planes Doing Things Together Day

Our school leaders were lucky enough to meet the constructionists for the movie 'Paper Planes', Dylan Parker and James Norton, at the Halogen Leaders Conference last term. After hearing them speak and seeing their fellow 6000 students fly paper planes around ACER Arena we thought it would be a great activity to bring back to our students at Figtree Heights. Yesterday was a magical day and I could not be more proud of our leaders. We divided our school in to 20 different groups, mixing up our students so they were working with students from different year groups. Our Year 5 students were the group leaders and our Year 6 students were the 'teachers'. These 'teachers' researched flight, aerodynamics, paper plane building and everything else in between. They then created presentations using Prezzi or Padlet (all skills they have learnt in 'The HIVE') and took our groups through different ways to create paper planes. Each group then went to a designated area in the school and had a chance to fly their planes. It certainly was an incredible sight to see two hundred and fifty students actively engaged in designing, making and flying their planes. I am so very proud of all the students for the effort they put in during this activity, but a very special mention needs to go to our Year 5 leaders and Year 6 teachers, you were absolutely incredible. Congratulations on a wonderful day. Thank you also, to those patient students who waited extra-long for their ordered sausages after 100 of our sausages 'went missing'.

Athletics Carnival

The School Athletics Carnival is fast approaching and accompanying today's newsletter is a permission note for all students. As in previous years, the carnival will be held at Kerry McCann Athletics Track, Beaton Park. All students K-6 will attend and it is always a wonderful day. Tabloid activities and running races will make up the Infants component of the carnival and our Primary students will be involved in running races. Over the past few weeks our Primary students have been competing in their field events, as on the day there just is not enough time to complete all events.

This carnival is about participation and we encourage all students to have a go! The staff have even been training for our own relay event, so if there are any parents game enough to take us on this year, we would love to continue the tradition of a parent teacher relay race, the kids really love seeing everyone take part.

P&C Meeting

It has rolled around again, the next P&C meeting will be held this coming Wednesday in 'The HIVE'. The meeting commences at 6:30pm and please remember FREE child minding is available. There are a few items on our agenda, with some important updates on the Canteen, OOSH, school activities and planned work around the school. It would be great to see you there!

Student Representative Council

This week our Student Representative Council (SRC) met officially for the first time. The students, selected by their class, met with Miss Corcoran and Mrs Hayward to decide charities and fundraising ideas our students body could lead. There was an abundance of ideas, but we decided on two main focus charities for the moment. The first, courtesy of Emmaline and Chloe in Year 2, is a book drive for the schools that were involved in the catastrophic Nepal earthquakes. The second is for the Blue Dragon Foundation, an organisation that supports children with schooling, clothing, food and shelter in Vietnam. Our aim is to then look at charities closer to home towards the end of the year. In line with our school strategic direction 'Creating Tomorrow's Citizens', the SRC will inform our student body how our fundraising and support will change the lives of others less fortunate. Watch this space for more news from our SRC.

Warm regards,
Skye Hayward

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

Isabelle Bush, Bryn Fuller & Hollie McCall

Super Stars!

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

K/1E	Isabelle Clarke Alysha Telenta Spike Badans	Maddison Legge Malaak Abdul Latif Genevieve Harvey	Bryn Fuller Amahle Masuku Piper Godfrey	Fatoum Maulaie Majd Abdul Latif
1T	Violet Brain-Bowen	Joshua Hailstone		
2/3F	Grace Goodsell	Kyla Nowlan	Nicholas Pelakanos	
3/4F	Calista Stevanoski	Jack Tully		
5/6C	Phoebe Lewis	Nicholas Kotsopoulos	Anastasia Tsangaris	Lauren Rooke
5/6S	Noah Tully	Lara Fox		
5/6N	Liam Walter	Luca Crowe-Benvenuto		

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

1T	Ally Luke			
2/3F	Grace Lawler	Rachel Leo	Sophie McCall	
5/6N	Clay Baldock	Lachlan Wilkinson		
5/6C	Bailey Craft	Eloise Taylor		

Canteen Special Day - Cottage Pie - Friday 12th June

The canteen is offering a special lunch order day on Friday 12th June. The special lunch will be a hot beef cottage pie. The cost will be \$4.50. Orders need to be placed by Tuesday 9th June. Information slips were distributed on Thursday 4th June and spare slips are available from the office. Place orders & payment in a brown paper bag and return to school by Tuesday 9th June.

Book Covering



Needed.

Please come to the office if you help with covering. Contact supplied!



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

**Elizabeth Pirie, Tyce De Bruyn, Emmaline Pirie,
Ava Parry and Paige Gibson**

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.

Overdue notices

Overdue notices were distributed last week.

A big THANK YOU to those students who have returned their books.

If you are still reading a book you can RENEW it. Just come and see me during your Hive Time or second half of lunch.

*Reading is the magic key that takes you where you
want to be - Alice Joyce Davidson*

*Happy Reading!
Mrs Ihurston*

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

Useful Information

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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		Jessica James
Tues	Karen Craft, Fiona Maris & Judy Warren	
Wed	Hanna Bonacina	
Thurs	Louise Christensen & Gerty Pelekanos	
Fri	Belinda Monkman & Alix Murphy	

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