



# FIGTREE HEIGHTS

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs Skye Hayward

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

Term 3 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2015

### SCHOOL INFORMATION & EVENTS

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

##### Term 3 dates

28<sup>th</sup> July – 2pm Choir Rehearsal  
29<sup>th</sup> July – 2pm Band/Guitar Soiree in Hall  
30<sup>th</sup> July – Blue Dragon Fundraiser and NAIDOC DTT day  
31<sup>st</sup> July – L.E.A.D. with Courage – Stage 3  
4<sup>th</sup> August – Massed Dance Rehearsal Stars  
10<sup>th</sup> August – School Pie Drive Orders Due  
CoS Science Fair Projects Due  
12<sup>th</sup> August – Stars Drummers Workshop  
13<sup>th</sup> August – Southern Stars Rehearsal  
Stage 2 School Spelling Bee  
Winning Science Projects to Mrs DeHaas  
14<sup>th</sup> August – Stage 3 School Spelling Bee  
17<sup>th</sup> August – Figtree CoS Science Fair  
19<sup>th</sup> August – 2pm 5/6T Assembly in Hall  
20<sup>th</sup> August – Southern Stars Drummers Workshop  
School Pie Drive Delivery Day  
23<sup>rd</sup> August – Tournament of Minds  
24<sup>th</sup> August – 28<sup>th</sup> August - Book Week  
25<sup>th</sup> August – 9:10am - 11:00am Book Parade  
26<sup>th</sup> August – Southern Stars Rehearsal  
27<sup>th</sup> August – 29<sup>th</sup> August - Southern Stars  
31<sup>st</sup> August – 3<sup>rd</sup> September - Life Education  
1<sup>st</sup> September – 2pm Surf Sense Talks (yr 2,4 & 6)  
2<sup>nd</sup> September – 2pm 2/3S Assembly in Hall  
4<sup>th</sup> September – 11:30am – 1pm Jump Rope for Heart 'Jump Off' Day  
9<sup>th</sup> September – 2pm Kindergarten and 1E Assembly in Hall  
10<sup>th</sup> September – Southern Illawarra Music Festival  
Talent Quest Auditions Years K/1/5/6  
11<sup>th</sup> September – Talent Quest Years 2/3/4  
14<sup>th</sup> September – 17<sup>th</sup> September - Junior Music Camp

#### 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.

#### Blue Dragon Fundraiser – Reminder

SRC Fundraiser being held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July (Week 3, Term 3), wear something blue and bring in a donation on the day.

#### Book Club

Orders need to be back by the 4<sup>th</sup> August.

#### Canteen Roster

Volunteers required for canteen on Wednesdays and Fridays

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## Signing Your Child in and out

For child protection and safety reasons, please make sure, if you are taking your child away from school during school hours or bringing them late, **you go to the front office first**. This is imperative. At **no stage** will a child be released from class during the day unless a slip from the office has been given to the classroom teacher first. The ladies in the front office will electronically mark the student as leaving. When a parent or carer comes to collect the child the class teacher then has two pieces of evidence to show the child is permitted to leave the school with the identified adult.

If you are returning your child, please bring the student with you to mark them as 'arrived late' and then escort your child to their classroom and hand the 'late' slip to the classroom teacher. This procedure ensures children's safety and supervision at all times. On most occasions, the classroom teacher does not know the child has arrived and therefore will not be supervising them. If they are not escorted by a parent/carer the child can find themselves wandering the school unsupervised. **Our student's safety and wellbeing is always of utmost importance.**

We appreciate that many of the parents and carers are known to staff, however, this procedure needs to be consistent to support casual teachers and ensure our children are not leaving the school with un-approved adults. We again, thank you for your continued assistance in this matter.

## Performing Ensemble

The Southern Illawarra Performing Ensemble visited our school on Tuesday and blew away our students with their talent. It was particularly lovely to see three ex-Figtree Heights students perform with the group. This ensemble tours our region and is purely made up of public school students. It is a wonderful opportunity for our budding artists to see what is available to them when they leave Figtree Heights. Thank you to Mr Costello for organising this experience.

## School Uniform

A note was sent home on Wednesday, hopefully clearing up any misconceptions about our school uniform, what items are and are not included and where it can be purchased. For the first two weeks of this term we have had a small competition between classes to see if we can get all students to come to school dressed in full school uniform. This has not been openly advertised to families as our intention was for the students to take responsibility and ownership in wearing full school uniform themselves, rather than parents enforcing it be worn. This competition will not continue every week, however there will be random occasions during the term when it will again occur.

Warm regards, **Skye Hayward**

## Wellbeing Snippet

*If you need perfection to be happy with you,  
you'll always notice things wrong with what  
you do.*

*When you know you're already perfect in  
every way, you will see perfection in what you  
do everyday.*

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Change what you're imagining  
and your experience will change too.  
-Cindy Russell-



Tegan George

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

**Alyssa Munro, Jack Tully, Ella Cook, Majd Abdul Latif, Emmaline Pirie,  
Sharnie Radford, Toby Radford, Emily Penniall, Asher Percival**



# Super Stars!



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

Aaron Christensen  
Caelan Cook  
Alanah George

Chanel Ocvirik  
Oliver Rainford

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

Violet Brain-Bowen  
Jordan De Martin  
Hadley Morris  
Kobi Hayward  
Rohan Kicks

Abbey Lemmon  
Noah McNally  
Asher Percival  
Elliot Rainford  
Molly Westwood



We also have new **GOLD** Super Stars! Congratulations:

Jaime Kiley  
Ally Luke



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

**Kavindu Herath, Bryn Fuller and Amelia Craft**

Great Work! Please make sure you come and see me for your very exclusive 'Excellence in The Hive' Value Award.

## 3D Printing

3/4 Prism and 3/4 Fireworks have begun their formal training in CAD and 3D printing.

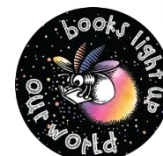


Isaac's USB case broke. He designed and printed (on our 3D printer) a new case. It even had air holes so it didn't over heat.



## DON'T FORGET

Our **Book Parade** will be on Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> August.  
*It's good time to start planning your costume!*



Happy Reading  
and 3D Printing!  
Mrs Thurston

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



### **Woolworths Earn & Learn 2015**

It's back! This year, Figtree Heights will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get **new educational resources** for our school and all we need you to do is collect your stickers when you shop for y our groceries at Woolworths.

From **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July to Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September**, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker onto a Woolworths Earn and Learn sticker sheet and when it's complete, the sticker sheet can be dropped into the collection box here in the school Office. Loose stickers can also be placed in our box as the Live, Life Well team are ready to start putting them onto the cards! Stickers and sticker sheets can also be given to your child's class teacher. Additional sheets may be found at Woolworths' stores and in the Office at school.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft and Sport.

Over the years, through your support, we have been able to purchase some wonderful resources. Thank you for helping us once again!



## 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.

### POP (Parent Online Payment) System

Have you ever worried if your child has handed in the payments to the class teacher? **Why not try the POP system.** Instruction booklets are available from the school office. It is an easy, convenient payment system and you can print a receipt for proof of payment. Please inquire at the school office if you have any questions.

### Canteen Roster Term 3

The canteen is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for recess and lunch orders.  
Tuesday and Thursdays snacks at lunchtime only.

Baking		Ali Brown
Mon	Christina Bonacina	
Tues	Cindy Ladmore & Jacqui Smart	
Wed	Tracy Ellem & Jennie MacRae	
Thurs	Tracey Chichkan & Liz Neill	
Fri	Belinda Monkman	

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