

Term 4, Week 7



FLYING FIGTREE

superstars

Term 4	
25 th Nov	P&C Raffle Ticket's Due Back
29 th Nov	Stage 3 Debating
30 th Nov	Year 6 Water Survival Challenge @ Unanderra Pool
	P&C Meeting in the HIVE @ 6:30pm
5 th Dec	Gold Afternoon Tea
6 th Dec	Year 6 High School Day (Figtree High School)
9 th Dec	Proposed Emerald Excursion
	Twilight Night
13 th Dec	Year 6 Jamberoo Recreation Park
14 th Dec	Presentation Day @ Figtree high
	P&C Social Night
15 th Dec	Year 6 Formal
16 th Dec	Students last day
	Teachers vs. Students Soccer game

Congratulations to the following **Bronze** Superstar students:

Isabelle Bush, Ilona Krissan & Toby Jones.

Congratulations to the following **Silver** Superstar students:

Connor Bailey, Kieran Michlmayr, Athina Pates, Bryn Fuller, Kavindu Herath, Matteo Ciarrocca, Clay Batchelor, Joseph Cooper & Layal Sawan.

Congratulations to the following **Gold** Superstar students:

Samuel Newton, Toby Russell, Madilyn Ladmore, Lara Limbrick, Isaac Erler, Stella Anagnosopoulos, Bryon Manning, Piper Godfrey, Chiara D'Amico, Alexia Petrovska, Ava Parry, Keira Meagher, Sonny Morris, Beau Baldock, Joshua Hailstone, William Burns, Angus Newton & Myah Ellem.

Congratulations to the following **Emerald** Superstar students:

Zali O'Brien, Ava Parry, Alyssa Monroe, Breanna Luke, Miley Reh, Xavier Cooper, Mackenzie Smart, William Brett, Kirra Synott, Jack Tully & Sara Radford.

We will see you on Wednesday at the morning assembly!

IMPORTANT NEWS

- Kindergarten enrolments now being taken for 2017.
- Raffle Tickets due back.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

Mitchell Roberts

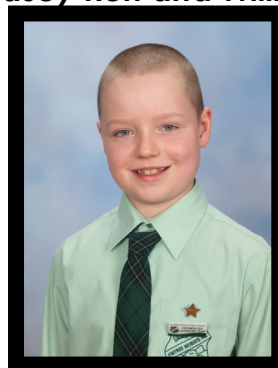
School Captains 2017

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all our school captain nominees. On Monday, 12 of our school leaders addressed our entire school and explained why they would be great leaders in our school. They were simply amazing. Following these speeches a vote took place and after counting and re-counting, yesterday our 2017 Captains were announced. It is my honour to introduce our school captains for 2017.

Congratulations to our Captains— Zali O'Brien and Kaylen Craft



Congratulations to our Vice Captains— Kasey Reh and William Brett



Classing in 2017

Last week I announced there was the opportunity for parents to pick up a classing consideration form from the front office. These forms are due back **no later than 3:15pm Monday 28 November**. No late forms will be accepted. As in previous years we are again offering parents the opportunity to provide the school with a classing consideration for your child. It is important to note this is a *consideration* only. As a school we always endeavour to make informed decisions and classing make up is no exception. This form is **not** a teacher request form, rather an opportunity for parents to outline particular considerations such as splitting siblings in the same stage etc.

Mobile Phones

Under the NSW Department of Education policy, *schools, in consultation with their communities, can allow students to bring their own personal mobile electronic devices to school (BYOD iPads, laptops etc) for **the purpose of learning***. This policy does not extend to students bringing their mobile phones to school for the use of social media, games, to take photos or to make contact with others. The use of a mobile device under these conditions is strictly prohibited. If a child is required to have a phone, for safety and security reasons, it **must** be dropped off to the front office. Not only does this keep the expensive device safe, it also protects the privacy of our school community. We appreciate your support in this matter.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Warm regards
Skye Hayward

The 5 HOW2Learn dispositions are:

Resilience **Reciprocity** **Resourcefulness** **Reflectiveness** **Responsibility**

Reciprocity (Team Recipro)

Reciprocity is the **social aspect** of learning where the learners are ready, willing and able to **LEARN ALONE OR WITH OTHER PEOPLE**.

As part of the How2Learn strategy characters have been created that represent each Learning Disposition or Learning Muscle.

The characters that represent Reciprocity are Team Recipro.

Team Recipro is made up of Callabro, Empatica, Balencio and Replika.

Callabro is the guiding force of the team. He uses his strong arms to keep the group connected and on track. He recognises the power of harnessing individual abilities to work together.

Empatica is in touch with how other people feel, think and speak. She can see things through their eyes. She uses this understanding to determine her actions and bring wider perspective to the team.

Balencio balances the learning energy of the team. He knows that sometimes they need time to think and learn alone. He knows when it is time to learn together as a team.

Replika can use his power of limitation to learn new things quickly. He actively seizes opportunities to learn from and with others.

The habits that make up reciprocity are:

- Collaboration
- Empathy and listening
- Interdependence
- Imitation



Collaboration is the skill of learning with others. It is knowing how to manage yourself in the give and take of a collaborative venture, respecting and recognising other view points; adding to and drawing from the strength of teams.

Empathy and listening is getting inside others' minds. This means contributing to others' experiences by listening to them to understand what they are really saying, and putting yourself in their shoes.

Interdependence is balancing self-reliance and sociability. This involves knowing when it's appropriate to learn on your own or with others, and being able to stand your ground in a debate.

Imitation is picking up habits and values. This means constructively adopting methods, habits or values from other people whom you observe.

HOW2Learn

SRC News

This week the Student Representative Council has been discussing ideas for the school.

The SRC thought about Blue Dragon Fundraising, and what the Blue Dragon money should go towards. Some people want the money to go towards more food & water, while others want the money to be used to create more girls' shelters, as there are three boy's shelters and only one girl's shelter. They will be asking the students in their classes what their opinion is.

Elizabeth Pirie also brought up the ideas of getting swings for the playground and skorts for the girls at school. Riley Baird discussed that there were many bindies on the oval, and that we could use sprinklers to get rid of them. Plus, a new SRC Notice Board arrived, and the SRC team got the opportunity to paint it during recess on Thursday!



Community News



Canteen Volunteer's required.

Canteen Roster

The Canteen is open for
Lunch orders **Monday, Wednesday and Friday.**
Snacks only at lunchtime on **Tuesday and Thursday.**
Don't forget to use our Canteen!

Monday	Helen Perna Volunteer needed
Tuesday	Lindsay Srbinovski Volunteer needed
Wednesday	Tracey Ellem & Jennie MacRae
Thursday	Natalie Dzeperoski
Friday	Denise DeMartin & Margaret Cheney

What is Due and When?

What	When
Classing Considerations 2017	28th Nov @ 3:15pm
Yr 6 Graduation Dinner s/s	2nd Dec
Yr 6 Jamberoo Rec Park Permission Note & Payment s/s	OVERDUE
Smith's Hill HS Performance	OVERDUE
Voluntary Contributions	OVERDUE

Please note: S/S= selected students only

Introducing **SCHOLASTIC** Book Clubs **LOOP** for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Clubs
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Clubs by credit card visit:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



PRIMARY ETHICS

We are looking for a new Ethics Teacher to take on the Years 5 & 6 Ethics class.
Ethics classes run on a Wednesday morning during SRE time as an alternative to Scripture.
If you are or know of a family friend or relative, who is interested in becoming involved in volunteering as an Ethics teacher at our school, please contact me either through the front office or via the Primary Ethics email at figtreeheightspsethics@outlook.com

Amanda Bowen
Primary Ethics Coordinator

Where Every Child Receives A Free Gift From Santa

"WOLLONGONG CHRISTMAS CAROLS"

GIFTING IT BACK

Saturday 3 December
6.00PM - 9.30PM AT JJ KELLY PARK, WOLLONGONG

HOSTED BY GEOFF PHILLIPS FROM WIN TELEVISION
Special Guest Performances
PRINNIE STEVENS | LEIGH MCRAE
including Wollongong local talent

TRENT BOWATER, ROHAN HERRING, MICHAEL ZELVIS & JESSE CLEAL
The Disability Trust Music Makers & Star Dancers plus many more performers.

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Aleksandar Marjanovic

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SWIMS BEACH RUNS AQUATHONS

WOLLONGONG SHIMMERING WATERPROOF

FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION



P&C Federation
COMMUNITY EDUCATION

GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 6.30PM IN THE HIVE CHILD MINDING AVAILABLE

ALL PARENTS & CITIZENS WELCOME

SHOW YOUR COMMITMENT AND STAY INFORMED
BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

WWW.FIGTREEHTS-P.SCHOOLS.NSW.EDU.AU/FHPS-P-C/P-C

Agenda: **Figtree Heights Primary School Parents and Citizens Meeting**
Agenda Date: **Wednesday 30th November 2016**
Time: **6.30pm - 8.00pm. Please be prompt**
Chair: **Stuart Wilkinson**
Venue: **'The Hive'**

No.	Items	Person Responsible
1	Welcome (2min)	S. Wilkinson
2	Apologies (1min)	S. Wilkinson
3	Confirmation of Minutes (1min)	S. Wilkinson
4	Business Arising from the Minutes (10min) • Please refer to Action Register on next page	S. Wilkinson
5	President's Report (10min)	S. Wilkinson
<i>Items 6 to 8 - 15 minutes (presuming there are no huge/new issues to be discussed or needing imminent decisions).</i>		
6	Principal's Report	S. Hayward
7	Treasurer's Report	A. Ware
8	Sub-committee Reports (as per written reports provided) • OOSH • Canteen	D. Robson B. Monkman
9	General Business (40min)	S. Wilkinson
10	'Ask the Principal' (10min)	S. Hayward

Action Register

Action #	Date	Action	Person(s) Responsible	Status	ETA Date of Action Completion	Update Date	Comments
1.	02/11/2016	Bank options to be discussed and brought to next meeting.	Angie Dennis/ Belinda Monkman	OPEN	30/11/2016		
2.	02/11/2016	COLA concepts and approvals to be discussed with committee and brought to next meeting.	Building Committee	OPEN	30/11/2016		
3.	02/11/2016	Skye to decide upon Language Classes before 2nd Dec.	Skye Hayward	OPEN	02/12/2016		
4.	02/11/2016	EOI Form to be sent out to families.	Emily Corcoran	CLOSED	04/11/2016	11/11/2016	Forms were sent home with students on Fri 11th Nov.
5.	02/11/2016	BASC Fund. Form to be filled in and submitted.	Ruth Burns	OPEN	30/11/2016		
6.	02/11/2016	Money from Movie Night to be picked up from office and banked.	Andrew Ware	OPEN	11/11/2016		
7.	02/11/2016	Purchase of new oven.	Christina Bonacina	OPEN	30/11/2016		
8.	02/11/2016	Online ordering to be set-up for canteen purchases	Belinda Monkman	OPEN	30/11/2016		
9.	02/11/2016	Raffle ticket sales at Coles	Kelly Andrews	OPEN	30/11/2016		
10.	02/11/2016	Cupcake stall for Twilight Night	Rebecca Anderson	OPEN	09/12/2016	24/11/2016	Advertisement created by Kelly Andrews added to Newsletter for 25th Nov.
11.	02/11/2016	Letter head request to McDonalds for fundraiser	Kelly Andrews	OPEN	30/11/2016		
12.	02/11/2016	Audit for both OOSH and P&C to be chased up	Stuart Wilkinson	OPEN	30/11/2016		
13.	02/11/2016	Call Outback and confirm numbers for EOY evening/meeting	Stuart Wilkinson	OPEN	30/11/2016		
14.	02/11/2016	Find out if Department has provided a date by which decisions have to be made.	Emily Corcoran	CLOSED	30/11/2016	11/11/2016	Cut-off date was in October. To be discussed in meeting on the 30th Nov.
15.	02/11/2016	Consider contacting Ryan Park for funding.	Stuart Wilkinson	OPEN	30/11/2016		
16.	02/11/2016	Discussion with Skye around safety of people versus assets/buildings.	Emily Corcoran	CLOSED	30/11/2016	11/11/2016	Skye has confirmed that lights can go ahead for OOSH as long as they are funded by the P&C and are able to be turned off after OOSH's operating hours.

P&C continued



LAST CHANCE REMINDER

Dear Parent's / Guardians,

Thank you to all who supported the Gold Coast Holiday Raffle. This is a great prize and is helping to raise much needed funds for all the projects we have identified around our school and for our children.

The final date to return ticket stubs, monies and unsold tickets is next Friday 25th November, however we still have MOST books outstanding.

We would appreciate your assistance by returning all monies and tickets (including unsold tickets) to the front office.

Legally we have to account for all tickets issued.

Thank you for your understanding – let's get behind that last push to sell, sell, sell!!!

Good Luck!

Figtree Heights P&C



FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL
PARENTS & CITIZENS
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Support your P&C at this year's Twilight Night!

Just in time for Christmas, the P&C will be selling these gorgeous herb tins on Friday 9th Dec. Choose from parsley, basil, chive and coriander seed tins for \$6 each.



Also for sale, gorgeous variety packs of 10 quality Birthday or Celebration cards for \$10. Awesome value to have a convenient stockpile of cards on hand when needed for celebrations!

NEW Birthday and Celebration Cards



Please help! Cupcake Drive!

Donations of freshly baked and decorated cupcakes can be let at the front office on Friday 9th Dec. Cake boxes can be collected from the office in advance.
THANK YOU.



And let's not forget the long awaited draw of the Gold Coast Holiday Raffle! Make sure your stubs and money has been returned.

If you'd like to lend a hand on the night in any way, please don't be shy! – email fhpspc@gmail.com

Figtree Heights
Public School

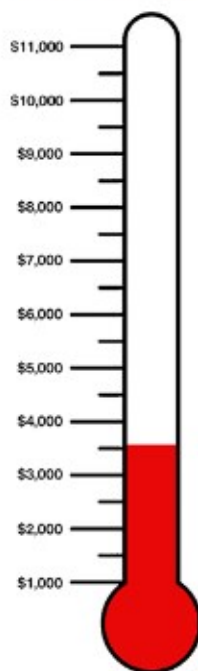
VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION

Support your
school from as
little as
\$60 per family!

OUR GOAL FOR
2016
\$6,600.00

to purchase ipads
and technology resources
for the HIVE for use
by all students.

CURRENT TALLY \$3,521.00



How to contribute...

The voluntary
contribution
amount for 2016 is
\$60 per family.
If you wish, you
are most welcome
to contribute more.

- ✂ Cash - place in envelope, label with family name & amount and send to office.
- 📄 Cheque - place in envelope, label with family name & amount and send to office. Cheques made out to FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL SCHOOL
- 📱 POP - make a secured payment via the Parent Online Payment at www.figtreehts-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

FOR MORE INFORMATION PICKUP A VOLUNTARY
CONTRIBUTION BROCHURE FROM SCHOOL OFFICE
OR CALL 4228 6770.



You're invited to the Figtree Heights

TWILIGHT NIGHT

Friday 9th December 4pm - 6pm
on the back oval

Bring a blanket and come and see our
class performances. Sit back and enjoy a
host of dinner options to help you enjoy
the experience.

BE THERE FOR THE FHPS P+C RAFFLE DRAW @6PM

From OOSH

SUMMER HOLIDAYS VAC CARE!

19th December - 23rd December 2016 (Centre closed 24th Dec – 8th Jan)
9th January - 27th January 2017

Figtree Heights OOSH
Figtree Heights Public School
St Georges Av Figtree 2525
PH: 42272515
Mobile: 0412 012 061
Email: centre@fhoosh.net



OPENING HOURS: 8am – 6pm weekdays

DAILY FEE: \$40 + program additional costs

BEST ARRIVING TIMES:

Excursion activities: Must arrive BEFORE the Bus departing time specified on the day.

In Centre activities: Before 10am is preferred

BOOKING IN:

- You must be enrolled in our service
- Get your booking form from our website www.fhoosh.net
- Complete the booking form with signatures (no other form of communication is valid, this is your permission form and booking notification)
- Return to centre@fhoosh.net as a scan/photo, or in person!
- You will receive a statement once you have returned booking form. This is your confirmed booking. PLEASE CHECK YOUR BOOKED DAYS
- Keep your program on your fridge to look at what's on each day.

PAYING FEES:

- All vacation care fees are due by the 27th January 2017
- Booking form = attendance booked and charged (including excursions regardless of participation in activity), we will contact you if we cannot accept your booking.
- Preferred payment of fees is via direct deposit
- Cancellations within 48hrs will be charged to accounts as absences (see fees policy for further details)

SENIORS ACTIVITIES:

- Seniors Only** activities are available again these holidays. These are activities programmed and available for children who are STARTING YEAR 6 in 2017 and children attending high school. Seniors children who have booked into these activities can only attend if they have demonstrated adequate behaviours set out in the **Seniors Agreement**. We encourage families to provide additional spending money for children attending these activities for food and activity extras available.

BRING EVERYDAY:

- ENCLOSED SHOES ONLY, NO THONGS/ SANDALS
- HAT & JUMPER
- SUN SAFE CLOTHING WITH SLEEVES
- DRINK BOTTLE WITH WATER (\$1 fee will apply for drink bottle given on excursion days)
- Morning Tea & Lunch (we provide afternoon tea)
- Spare clothes – in case of accidents and/or change in weather
- Program items to bring
- Water play clothes: swimmers with rash vest, or outfit to get wet in and a towel

EVERYDAY ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE:

- ARTS AND CRAFTS
- SPORTS AND GROUP GAMES
- CARDS AND BOARD GAMES
- MEDIA ACTIVITIES
- READING AND RELAXATION
- WATER ACTIVITIES
- IN HOUSE MOVIES G and PG
- CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

BOOKING FORM SUMMER HOLIDAYS DEC/JAN 2017

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Parent Name: (Person completing the form)	
Preferred Contact Number:	
Child/ren's Name/s:	
Booking disclaimer:	When you book into a specified activity, you are giving permission for the child/ren named to participate in activities and programs specified on that day. This booking is written permission to attend our service on the day and give permission for all transports, excursions and events occurring. Fees are applied to all booked days on this form.
Permission Signature	I give permission for my child/ren as stated above to participate in the indicated excursions and centre day activities as listed on the OOSH summer vacation care program Signature: _____

How to complete this form: Please WRITE THE NAME of each child participating on the correct day and activity event. (You can only choose 1 activity on days where there is both an excursion and an in centre choice)

WEEK 1	Excursion / In Centre	Activity	Child Name/s
Monday 19 th Dec	In Centre	SCHOOL'S OUT LET'S PARTY	
Tuesday 20 th Dec	In Centre	MOVIE MARATHON	
Wednesday 21 st Dec	Excursion	SANTALAND	
	In Centre	CRAZY CHRISTMAS COOKS	
Thursday 22 nd Dec	In Centre	WATER WIPEOUT	
Friday 23 rd Dec	Excursion	THE LISTIES' RUIN XMAS	
	In Centre	CRAFTY CHRISTMAS	

WEEK 2	Excursion / In Centre	Activity	Child Names
Monday 9 th Jan	In Centre	DEE'S MESSY MUD FUN	
Tuesday 10 th Jan	Excursion	PARK AND PLAY	
	Excursion	FUN AT FLIPOUT	
Wednesday 11 th Jan	In Centre	ULTIMATE SPORTS DAY	
	Excursion	CHALLENGE VALLEY & WATERSLIDE	
Thursday 12 th Jan	Excursion	CHALLENGE VALLEY & WATERSLIDE	
	Seniors Excursion	JAMBEROO ACTION PARK	
Friday 13 th Jan	In Centre	SPOOKY CRAZY DRESS UP	

WEEK 3	Excursion / In Centre	Activity	Child Names
Monday 16 th Jan	Excursion	TARONGA ZOO	
	In Centre	CHILL OUT @ OOSH	
Tuesday 17 th Jan	In Centre	TRICKS AND TRACKS	
Wednesday 18 th Jan	Excursion	OUT AND ABOUT KIAMA	
	In Centre	LEGO DAY	
Friday 20 th Jan	Excursion	SPLASH TIME MCKEONS	
	In Centre	SWATER WARS	

WEEK 4	Excursion / In Centre	Activity	Child Names
Monday 23 rd Jan	Excursion	DOUBLE ACTION	
	In Centre	BUILD IT UP	
Tuesday 24 th Jan	Seniors Excursion	LUNA PARK	
	In Centre	OOSH'S COLOUR RUN	
Wednesday 25 th Jan	Excursion	ACTION DAY JAMBEROO	
	In Centre	AUSSIE COOKS	
Thursday 26 th Jan	CENTRE CLOSED AUSTRALIAN DAY – HAPPY CELEBRATING!		
Friday 27 th Jan	In Centre	PYJAMA PARTY	

SWIMMING LEVELS PERMISSION

If you are booking into one or more of these activities you will need to complete this swimming level permission form:

- McKeons Swimming (SPLASH TIME)
- Jamberoo Action Park (ACTION DAY AND SENIORS JAMBEROO DAY)
- Water Slide at Cataract Scout Park (CHALLENGE VALLEY & WATERSLIDE)

Yellow Level	Is a non-swimmer Can paddle around in water with confidence but is unable to swim in deep water. A swimming adult must accompany children at this level at all times (within 5m's reach).	Name of children:
Orange Level	Learning swimmer Does have some limited swimming capability in shallow water. Can tread water and float unaided to get them around in shallow/medium water. Can enter and exit pool and ledges unaided.	Name of children:
Green Level	Confident and capable swimmers Can swim unaided and can achieve 25m swimming length. Can navigate around shallow to deep waters unaided. Can enter and exit pools and ledges with confidence.	Name of children:
Purple Level	Strong swimmers Can swim 50m + unaided. Can confidently and successfully navigate deep waters including diving.	Name of children:



Information for parents, guardians and students

Our school has partnered with Transport for NSW to use the new online process for you to submit school travel applications.

This means we will be able to process your applications online, making it easier and faster for parents, guardians and students to apply for school travel.

Applications for school travel in 2017 are now open, including for travel to Mascot and Green Square station and for private ferries. Parents, guardians and students are encouraged to apply as soon as they are able via:

Applications for 2017 school travel are now open via www.transportnsw.info/school-students

A new application is required when:

- applying for a School Opal card or travel pass for the first time,
- enrolling in Kindergarten, or
- requesting an additional entitlement as a result of a shared parental responsibility situation.

You will need to do an update application if the student has a current school travel pass and:

- is progressing from Year 2 to Year 3,
- is progressing from Year 6 to Year 7, or
- changes address, or
- changes school or campus.

Already have a School Opal card or travel pass?

- When you've updated, and you are eligible for free school travel next year, Transport for NSW will send you an email confirmation once your application has been processed. For travel in rural or regional NSW, we'll also inform your nominated transport operator(s).
- If you already have a School Opal card that does not need updating, or you've successfully re-applied, the Opal card will automatically be updated for travel next year. Do not throw it out as you'll be able to use it when the school year starts in 2017.
- If you currently have a printed travel pass provided by your transport operator, a new pass will be ready at the beginning of the new school year.