

# Flying Figtree

Term 1, Week 9

## IMPORTANT NEWS

- School returns on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March.
- **Pink Stumps Day** is on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April and all students are to **wear pink**. Please remember appropriate footwear for sport is required.



## superstars

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

Ethan Dzeperoski, Sara Radford,  
Charley Le Clerc, Emmaline Pirie,  
Theodore Rainford, William Brett &  
William Humphrey

We will see you on Wednesday at the morning assembly!

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

Aiden Meagher,  
Tyler Monkman, Ben Parry &  
Nicholas Pelekanos

## Term Planner

25 <sup>th</sup> March	Good Friday (Public Holiday)
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Monday (Public Holiday)
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Pink Stumps Day <b>wear pink &amp; bring a gold coin</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> April	3/4P Class Assembly
8 <sup>th</sup> April	5/6 Cultural Dress Up Day <b>Night at the Fair (4-9pm)</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	
28 <sup>th</sup> April	School Photo Day (we are still waiting on the packs)
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Cross Country Champions Assembly <b>8:53 am</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Fairy Tale Performance
10 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>NAPLAN – Writing &amp; Language Conventions</b>
11 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>NAPLAN - Reading</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>NAPLAN - Numeracy</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Education Week</b>
18 <sup>th</sup> May	District Cross Country
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Walk Safely to School Day
26 <sup>th</sup> May	National Sorry Day

**Are you up to date with what is happening at our school?**

Do you have our school app?  
Have you liked our Figtree Heights Public School  
'LIKE' Facebook page?



# From the desk of the Principal



## Working Bee

There are not enough words to express our appreciation for all those families who came to the Working Bee on Saturday. The garden tools were out and the gloves were on, moving a gargantuan quantity of mulch. The gardens and playground look amazing! It was such a big job, but everyone worked together to get it done. A big thank you to the families who helped out in the trades department, especially **ANE Electrical**, who turned up at 7am to complete the electrical work for the new P&C office. A special thanks to Stuart Wilkinson, our P&C President, who co-ordinated the day. Please take a look at our Facebook 'Like' page for photos of this event.



## Cross Country

The rain tried to spoil the day but we were lucky to be able to complete our annual Cross Country carnival. Congratulations to all those students who participated, even if it was by walking the course. The sportsmanship and encouragement that was displayed on the day was wonderful to witness. We simply cannot look past the athleticism that was also on display during the carnival. The determination and persistence so many students displayed to even finish their race was inspirational. Congratulations FHPS, what a fantastic carnival.

The day would not have been possible without the organisation from Mr Nielsen, thank you on behalf of the students! The District Cross Country Team will be on display outside the front office. The CWPSSA District Carnival will be held at Kembla Joggers Track on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May**.

The Cross County Champions Assembly will be on **Wednesday morning, Week 2 of Term 2 (4/5/2016)**. The Cross Country photos will be updated on the website as soon as we check permission to publish for our students, so head on over and take a look soon.

## School Photographs

As mentioned in the last newsletter the school photo day is approaching. This year we have chosen a new updated pack instead of the standard pack we have had over the past few years. This new pack still gives family a variety of options ranging from \$13 - \$42. If you would like to see a sample of this new pack please pop into the front office to have a look. The envelopes for these photos will be sent home once they have been delivered to school.

## What is Due and When?

What	When
5/6 Camp notes and money s/s	7 <sup>th</sup> September
ICAS Test money s/s	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April

Please note:

S/S= selected students only

## Head Lice

A case of head lice has been reported in the school, please check your children's hair.

Information on treatment - can be obtained from

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice>



# From the desk of the Principal

## Winter Uniform Change Over

FHPS will begin our two-week winter uniform change over at the start of Term 2. The change over period allows students to wear either summer or winter uniform for the first two weeks of the term with full winter uniform to be fully implemented at the start of week 3. *Please remember that the school photo day on **Thursday April 28** will be **full winter uniform**.*

## Harmony Day

On Monday we celebrated Harmony Day. The purpose behind Harmony Day is to celebrate Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common. The central message behind for Harmony Day this year was 'everyone belongs', reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness to all Australians.

## Mrs Hayward's Leave

I will be on leave for the remainder of the term as my daughter is having surgery. I will be back at the start of Term 2 for another fantastic Term at FHPS. Mrs Thurston will be in my 'chair' until the school holidays.

*I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Easter holiday period. Please keep safe and enjoy this time with your family.*

Warm regards,  
Skye Hayward  
Principal



## 2015-2017 Plan Creating Tomorrow's...

### What is the FHPS vision for our learners?

Our aim is to use best practice to excite, engage and enrich the learning of all students through great teaching and inspired learning.

We will create life-long and adaptive learners who strive for excellence in a culture of dynamic expectations where every teacher and student accesses personalised learning.

### How will we do this in 2016?

Students and teachers will take ownership of their learning through setting realistic and attainable goals and by developing Individual Learning Plans, Engaged Learner Profiles and Individual Performance and Development Plans. Students and teachers will track their learning in order for them to know where they need to go next.

**Learner**

# P&C News

## Night at the Fair

Thank you to all those parents and community members who have already volunteered to help out at the Fair. We are still looking for volunteers for a number of things so please fill out the form that went home earlier this week and drop it in to the front office.

If you know of a business that is willing to donate something to the fair, please contact the front office on 42 286555 with details.

### Collection Baskets

Each classroom has their very own collection basket with items for the fair raffle. Please check with the table below if you are unsure what items your child is responsible for bringing in.

KJ & KC Side Show Alley Prizes	1/2 L Kids' Hamper	1/2 J Gardener's Hamper	1/2 D BBQ Hamper
Item from Smiggles, small toy, nail polish, hair accessories etc	Marbles, Lego, toys, books, textas/pencils, balls, sports, music, dress-ups, vouchers	Seedlings, tools, gardening gloves, plant, pot, potting mix, fertilizer, books, magazines, vouchers	Cooking utensils, bowls, apron, tea towels, olive oil, marinades & sauces, spices, cookbook, magazines, vouchers
3/4 P Ladies' Pamper Hamper	3/4 O Dads' Hamper	3/4 F Baby Hamper	5/6 N, 5/6 M, 5/6 D Side Show Alley Prizes
Shower gel, hand/foot lotion, wine, candles, chocolates, hair accessories, scarf, magazines, vouchers	Shower gel, car polish, beer, cashews/roasted peanuts, chocolates, socks, tools, magazines, vouchers	Soaps, face towels, baby toys, wraps, bath wash, moisturiser, baby oil, baby wipes, disposable nappies, books, magazines, vouchers <small>*Please select neutral colours</small>	Item from Smiggles, small toy, nail polish, hair accessories etc

### Flyer Drop

If you are looking to do a little exercise why not drop some flyers in our local letterboxes on your way. It is a great way to make sure you are active and it will help with the promotion of our fair.

If you are interested please pop into the front office and collect a bundle of flyers.



Please visit our website  
for more details on  
**A Night at the Fair!**  
[www.anightatthefair.com](http://www.anightatthefair.com)



# Community News

## Canteen News

### Canteen Roster

The canteen is open on a **Monday, Wednesday** and **Friday** for lunch orders.

Snacks only at lunchtime on **Tuesday** and **Thursday**.

**Don't forget to use our canteen!**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>CLOSED – EASTER MONDAY</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Alli McKenzie</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Tracy Ellem &amp; Jennie MacRae</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Tracey Chichkan &amp; Liz Neill</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Denise DeMartin &amp; Lee Brett</b>



A safe and fun holiday program designed to engage participants in various creative activities including: **Art, Circus, Dance and Drama**.

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

10am to 3pm

\$65 per child, per day

6 to 12 year olds

DANCESPACE 383,

11 Glebe street, Wollongong



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

[www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com) (Keyword: Hodgepodge)

[www.honorajenkins.com](http://www.honorajenkins.com) (Events tab)



## School Information

**Find our app:** Go to the app store and download the FHPS app.

**User name:** community

**Password:** figtreehtsps

**School Phone:** 42 286555

**School email:** [figtreehts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:figtreehts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

**Website:** <http://www.figtreehts-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/FigtreeHeightsPublicSchool/>

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## 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](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)**



Out of  
School Hours  
Care

Experience the fun, adventure and play everyday!

## VACATION CARE

- 11TH - 26TH APRIL
- 8AM - 6PM WEEKDAYS
- AT CENTRE & EXCURSION DAYS
- \$40/DAY + EXCURSION COSTS
- **CHILD CARE BENEFITS AVAILABLE**

BEFORE  
SCHOOL  
CARE

SCHOOL  
HOLIDAY  
CARE

AFTER  
SCHOOL  
CARE

**BOOK NOW!**

PH: 4227 2515

EMAIL: [CENTRE@FHOOSH.NET](mailto:CENTRE@FHOOSH.NET)

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School Hours  
Care

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## BEFORE SCHOOL CARE NOW AVAILABLE AT FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

- 6.30AM - 8.30AM
- BREAKFAST INCLUDED
- GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
- GAMES AND CRAFTS
- ONLY \$20 PER CHILD PER DAY
- **CHILD CARE BENEFITS AVAILABLE**

BEFORE  
SCHOOL  
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# FHPS Student Star Files



## Rugby 7's

Congratulations to our Rugby 7 students who competed in the Rugby 7's Cup today in Wollongong. We had a total of 24 students represent our school.

### Under 12's Team:

Clay Baldock  
Luca Crowe-Benvenuto  
Matteo Ciarrocca  
Jordan De Martin  
Isaac Erler  
Alex Kotsopolous  
Kai Lovegrove  
Zoe Lovegrove  
Noah McNally  
Tyla O'Brien  
Lexi Petrovska  
Toby Radford  
Noah Tully  
Liam Walter

### Under 10's Team

Riley Baird  
Beau Baldock  
Clay Batchelor  
Caelen Cook  
Kai Forester  
Tyler Godfrey  
Chase Grant  
Carter O'Connor  
Elliott Rainford  
Jack Tully

## Cross Country Champions



Congratulations to the following 2016 Cross Country Champions and Runners Up. We look forward to congratulating you on **May 4<sup>th</sup>** at the Cross Country Sports Ceremony.

### 2016 Age Champions

**8/9 years:** Marguerite Harvey & Beau Baldock  
**10 years:** Chloe Rutledge & Nathanael Burns  
**11 years:** Zali O'Brien & Kaylen Craft  
**12/13years:** Alexia Petrovska & Tyla O'Brien

### 2016 Runners Up

**8/9 years:** Ebony Pascoe & Chase Grant  
**10 years:** Ella Cook & Kai Lovegrove  
**11 years:** Kirra Synott & Clay Baldock  
**12/13years:** Emily Rutledge & Isaac Erler



## Northern Illawarra Netballers

Congratulations to **Kasey** and **Ellie Reh** who were successful in making it into the Northern Illawarra Zone Netball Team. We wish you both all the best at the next trials for South Coast.

## Northern Illawarra League Star

Congratulations to **Toby Radford** who was successful in gaining selection in the Northern Illawarra Zone Open Rugby League side!





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# FACEBOOK (For parents)

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## What is Facebook?

Facebook is a free social networking site that allows users to create profiles, upload, share and view photos and videos and send messages. The site allows users who have common interests to interact, create and manage events and live chat with their online contacts, or 'Friends'. Facebook is restricted to users aged 13-years-old and above, however some users may lie about their age to join.

## What devices can access Facebook?

Facebook can be accessed on any device that has an internet connection such as mobile phones, tablets and computers. It can be accessed via the Facebook website or through one of two apps, the generic Facebook app which includes all of Facebook's features except private messaging, and Facebook's 'Messenger' app which is used for private messaging.

## Who can young people interact with when on Facebook?

Facebook users have the ability to interact with a wide range of individuals. Through Facebook's news feed users have the ability to interact in public conversations, with people who are not Friends.

## What are the potential challenges with Facebook?

As with any form of social media, there are some challenges that young people may face when using Facebook. These can include online grooming (when an adult makes online contact with someone under the age of 16 with the intention of engaging in a sexual relationship) or cyberbullying and harassment. Other challenges include privacy concerns, such as revealing too much personal information on Facebook, reputation management or falling victim to scams shared through social networking sites.

## What are the recommended privacy settings?

By maintaining strong privacy settings, users can limit the amount of information shared with strangers. When setting up privacy features on Facebook there are three options:

- **Public** - any Facebook user can view personal content and interact with your child.
- **Friends or Friends of Friends** - allows Friends and their Friends to view and interact with your child and their content.

- **Friends** - only accepted Friends can see your content in the first instance. The Friends option is the safest way to ensure that you are sharing information with people you know and trust, but should not be considered as 100 per cent private.

There is also the ability to change the privacy options for individual posts.

## How do you manage Facebook privacy settings?

It may be easier to change privacy settings on a computer rather than a mobile device. To manage your privacy on Facebook (on a computer), access the privacy settings by clicking on the downward facing arrow in the upper right-hand side of the page and select 'Settings'. In the left hand column, click on 'Privacy'.

To access these settings on a mobile device select the 'More' tab. Scroll down to the **Help & Settings** section and select 'Account Settings' and then 'Privacy'.

Privacy Settings and Tools			
Who can see my stuff?	Who can see your future posts?	Friends	Edit
	Review all your posts and blogs you're tagged in		See Activity Log
	Limit the audience for posts you've shared with friends or friends of friends		Limit Past Posts
Who can contact me?	Who can send you friend requests?	Friends of friends	Edit
Who can look me up?	Who can look you up using the email address you provided?	Friends	Edit
	Who can look you up using the phone number you provided?	Friends	Edit
	Do you want search engines outside of Facebook to link to your Profile?	No	Edit
Did you find what you needed? Yes - No - I don't need anything specific			

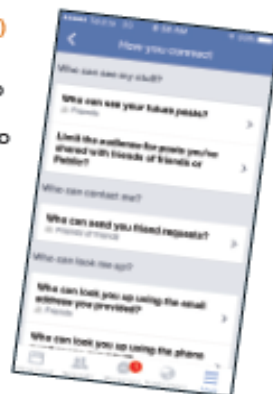
Here you can change a number of settings:

### Restricting who can see a timeline (wall)

Under the 'Who can see my stuff?' section, you can manage who is able to access your timeline. Next to 'Who can see your future posts?', click on 'Edit' to ensure that 'Friends' is selected.

### Restricting who can contact me

Under the 'Who can contact me?' section, you can manage who is able to send you Facebook requests. Next to 'Who can send you friend requests?', click on the 'Who can send you friend requests?' and select the appropriate setting.







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## Restricting who can see your email address and mobile number

Under the 'Who can look me up' section, you can manage who can see your email address and phone number if you have provided one.

Next to 'Who can look you up using the email address you've provided?', click on 'Edit' and select either 'Friends' or 'Friends of Friends'. Click on 'Edit' next to 'Who can look you up using the phone number you provided?' and select either 'Friends' or 'Friends of Friends'.

## Restricting a Facebook profile being searchable

Under the 'Who can look me up' section, you can manage if your Facebook page will show up in search engine searches such as Google. The 'Do you want other search engines to link to your timeline?' option should be set to 'no' and can be switched to 'yes' by sharing your timeline with everyone.

## How do you block offensive users?

You can block offensive users on Facebook by selecting the 'Block' option on their timeline, or by accessing the Blocking page through Facebook's Account Settings.

To block a user, access their profile and select the 'More' option (signified by three dots) next to the 'Message' option on or under the person's cover photo. In the menu which appears, select the 'Block' option.

A dialog box will appear which provides options for dealing with the offensive user. This box will have different options depending on whether this person is already your friend. Select the 'Block' option to block the user.

Blocking a user will stop them from seeing your posts, tagging you, inviting you to events or groups, messaging you and adding you as a friend. If you are already friends, blocking a user will also unfriend him/her.

If you wish to report inappropriate content to Facebook you will need to do this before you block the user.

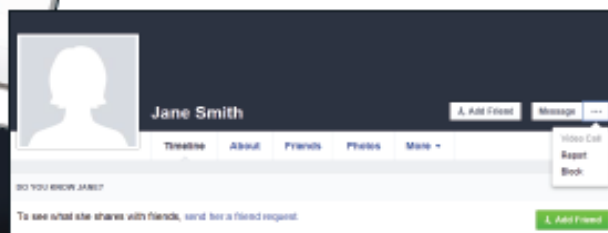
## How do you report users or fake profiles?

To report a user or a fake profile on Facebook, access the profile's timeline and select the 'More' option (signified by three dots) next to the 'Message' option on or under the person's cover photo. In the menu which appears, select the 'Report' option.

In the corresponding dialog box, select 'Report this account' and then select the reason you wish to report the account. Follow the prompts to finalise your report.

## More information

For more information, visit [www.facebook.com/help](http://www.facebook.com/help)



[thinkuknow.org.au](http://thinkuknow.org.au)





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# Twitter (For parents)

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## What is Twitter?

Twitter is a free social media application that allows its users to communicate through the exchange of short, quick and frequent messages. Users can send content known as a 'Tweet' which may contain photos, videos, links and up to 140 characters of text. These messages are posted to a profile, sent to followers, and are searchable via Twitter search.



**Tweet**

Users have a personal profile, called a twitter handle, which is like an email address and records all your Tweets.

## What are the privacy settings on Twitter?

Accounts on Twitter can either be public or protected with access given only to those you approve as followers. Be aware that using hashtags, tags and replies on Twitter will not compromise your privacy settings if your account is set to private. These Tweets will only appear to approved followers and not the general public.

## What is the age restriction for Twitter?

Twitter is restricted to users aged 13 and above, however there is no age verification process so it is possible that some users may be underage. If Twitter becomes aware that a person under 13 has provided personal information to the site, Twitter will review the information and take steps to remove the information or account.



## What is a hashtag?

A hashtag or '#' is a symbol used before a keyword or phrase that is included in a Tweet to categorise it and link it to other content of a similar nature. This is used to easily search online content and identify trending topics. If a keyword or phrase is searched on Twitter, all public Tweets with that hashtag will appear in the search results.

#nowiknow

## What is tagging?

If a user is tagged, it means they are referenced in a Tweet by using '@' followed by their username, for example @ThinkUKnow\_Aus. This reference (Twitter handle) will link their profile to the tweet and the user will receive a notification that they have been tagged. Tagging is generally used to have conversations or ensure someone is aware of what is being discussed. If your Tweets are protected, users who do not follow you will not see your mentions.



## What are replies?

A user will often reply to a Tweet if they are tagged in it. A reply will begin with '@username' to direct the message at a particular person.

## What does 'following' someone on Twitter mean?

Following someone means you have chosen to subscribe to see a user's Twitter content. This means when the person you follow posts something new, it will appear on your homepage which is an area that shows all the content posted by those you follow.



**Follow**



## What is direct messaging?

Direct messages are private messages between Twitter users that can only be viewed by those involved in the conversation. Direct messaging can be started with anyone who follows you.

## How are young people using Twitter?

Young people use Twitter to have conversations, share images, links and videos with other users. Twitter gives users the option to contact anyone who has an account by tagging them in the content, so young people may be able to interact with organisations, celebrities and strangers, as well as friends.



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## What are the potential problems with Twitter?

Any application when used incorrectly has the potential to cause harm. It is important that you openly communicate with your child about how they may be using an application and the legal and ethical ramifications of inappropriate use. They also need to be aware of the challenges of communicating with people they don't know online. Conversations through direct messages cannot be moderated by others, so your child should be discouraged from direct messaging anyone they do not know.



Twitter is a public forum and young people should remember that whatever they post on a public account can be seen by anyone so they need to think before they post. A Tweet cannot be edited once it is sent but it can be deleted.

However, someone may have already saved a copy of the Tweet and shared it with others.

If location settings are not disabled, a user's location can automatically appear on their Tweets. If location settings are activated on a Twitter mobile application, the user's location will be shared for every Tweet that is sent.

## How do you turn off location settings?

Below the Tweet composer box, select the location or location mark to open a dropdown list and select 'Remove' or 'Turn off location'. This setting will be saved so the location will no longer automatically appear.



## How do you delete a Twitter account?

To delete a Twitter account, log into the account you wish to deactivate. Access the settings by clicking on the cog wheel on the top right-hand side of the account. From the bottom of the 'Settings' menu select 'Deactivate my account'. On the next page that appears, select the 'Deactivate' button.

## How do you block someone on Twitter?

You can block people by selecting their profile and clicking the gear icon on the right-hand side and select 'Block'.

## How do you report on Twitter?

Users can report Tweets which are considered to be abusive or harassing, threatening violence, involve self-harm or reveal your private information such as your address or phone number. If you want to report a Tweet click on the '...' icon on the bottom right-hand corner of the Tweet, select 'Report' and complete the form. Keep as much evidence as you can about the complaint, such as screenshots.

The Office of the e-Safety Commissioner has a range of powers to assist in the removal of material involving people under the age of 18 if they are unsatisfied with how a social media service has dealt with their complaint. For more information, visit [www.esafety.gov.au](http://www.esafety.gov.au).



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