

Flying Figtree

Term 2, Week 5

Important News

- Kindergarten enrolments now being taken for 2017



superstars

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

Lauren Rooke, Hadley Morris, Myah Ellem, Nate Synott, Anastasia Tsangaris, Macey Synott, Mia Rutledge, Ellie Reh, Aleksia Petrovska, Chelsea Jones, Christian Anagnostopoulos, Lenny Atsas, Jye Kiley, Isabel Burnes, Tyler Godfrey, Lachlan Anderson, Jai Cole, Alysha Telenta, Marcus Stevanovski, Spike Badans, Ziggy Badans, Chloe Reh, Majd Abdul Latif, Landon Gollop, Lara Limbrick, Kaylee Monkman, Chanel Ocvirk, Emily Penniall, Fatoum Maulaie, Jade Pacey & Amahle Masuku.

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

Nathan Mitrevski, Karly Fox, Chelsea Neil, Miles Burke, Issac Vasic, Sara Radford, Cailan Cook, Jack Tully, Ethan Dzeperoski, Theodore Rainford, Oliver Rainford & William Humphrey.

We will see you on Wednesday at the morning assembly!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

Jordan De Martin, Mohmed Maulaie & Oliver Rainford.

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?



Term Planner

Term 2	
1 st June	3/4F Assembly Figtree High Scholarship applications available
3 rd June	Kindy Symbio Excursion Netball Knock out
8 th June	5/6N Assembly
10 th June	Debate Comp
13 th June	QUEENS BIRTHDAY – NO SCHOOL
14 th June	Stage 2 History Excursion The Rocks
15 th June	5/6M Assembly
16 th June	Stage 1 Excursion Blue Mile
21 st June	Kinder 2017 Expo Night
26 th July	School Athletics Carnival
27 th July	3/4O Assembly
28 th July	Choir at Unanderra PS

From the desk of the Assistant Principal

Figtree Heights Public School Student Mobile Phone Policy- Electronic Devices Policy

Rationale

Students have access to a wide range of technologies and software programs, including electronic games, electronic toys, MP3 players, iPods, digital cameras and mobile phones. The majority of these devices are for recreational use, but as is the case with mobile phones, parents or carers may provide them for personal safety reasons.

Definition

This policy covers all digital and electronic devices that children bring to school. For example, electronic games, toys, MP3 players, iPods, digital cameras and mobile phones.

Policy Statement

Figtree Heights Public School does not, as a general rule, endorse the bringing of digital and electronic devices to school. This is on the grounds that they are valuable and may be lost, stolen or broken. Also, they can be used at inappropriate times and in inappropriate ways, and further to that can be disruptive to teaching and learning. However, the school recognises the following;

- that some students require access to a mobile phone for safety reasons when travelling to and from school,
- that they may be brought to school when the teaching staff provide special activity days,
- that teaching staff may endorse the bringing of electronic devices to school as part of a teaching and learning program.

Mobile Phones

Whilst recognising that mobile phones can be an aid to safety and security, and have a role to play in the teaching and learning program, they can also create a range of issues for the school, including but not limited to:

- The use of mobile phones for any purpose within the classroom will disrupt the learning of others and could potentially undermine classroom management;
- The use of a mobile phone with an integrated camera could lead to Child Protection and Data Protection issues with regard to inappropriate capture, use or distribution of images.
- The loss of the device and the potential misuse of the device by others.

Mobile Phones at School

There are some students who require access to a mobile phone for safety reasons when travelling to and from school. The **mobile phone may be brought to the school under the following conditions:**

- **The parent/carers must inform the school in writing.**
- **Mobile phones are not to be used for any purpose on school premises, grounds or during off-site activities** i.e. camps, excursions;
- **Parents and carers may contact children** if required by leaving a **message** with the **School Office**;
- If a **student requires the use of a telephone** in the case of an emergency, they are required to use the phone in the **School Office**.
- **The school will not accept any responsibility for any electronic device that is lost, stolen, or damaged.**

Consequence of students using digital and electronic devices

- Inappropriate use of the device or the bringing to school of an electronic device without approval will be dealt with in accordance with the School's Fair Discipline Code

From the desk of the Assistant Principal

Rugby Union Knock Outs



Winter Uniform Changeover

All students should be wearing winter school uniform.

A very small selection of stock (sport uniforms, long sleeve shirts, tunics, hats and socks) is available at the front office. These items are currently half price

FHPS Winter Uniform

Boys

- long sleeve green shirt (with logo)
- school tie
- long grey pants
- grey socks
- black leather shoes

Girls

- long sleeve green shirt (with logo)
- tunic
- school tie
- knee high bottle green socks or bottle green stockings
- black leather shoes

Microfibre jacket, fleecy jacket or jumper (with school logo) can be worn by both boys and girls.

FHPS Rugby Union Team

On Monday our rugby union team travelled to Goulburn to play in the Bryan Palmer Shield Knock Out. A big congratulations to the team – who won both of their games.

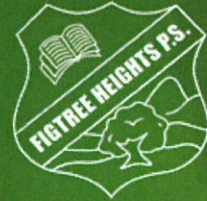
FHPS Girls Soccer Team

On Tuesday our girls soccer team played Fairy Meadow Demonstration School in the NSW PSSA Knock Out competition. By all accounts girls played extremely well but unfortunately lost the game.

Kind regards,
Sarah Thurston
Assistant Principal

P&C News

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



P&C Federation
Committed to Public Education

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 15TH JUNE

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

Please note - to vote at the Annual General Meeting you **MUST**
be a P&C member.

Membership forms are available at the front office.

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!

Monday	Bronwyn Gibson & Elisa Stevanoski
Tuesday	Lindsay Srbinovski
Wednesday	Renee Criddle & Belinda Demertzis
Thursday	Natalie Dzeparoski
Friday	Denise DeMartin & Margaret Cheney

What is Due and When?

What	When
Fairest of Them All performance s/s	OVERDUE
5/6 Camp notes and money s/s	Wednesday 7th September
Stage 2 Classroom Costs for Term 1 s/s	OVERDUE
Reading Eggs s/s	OVERDUE
Maths Online s/s	OVERDUE

Please note:

S/S= selected students only

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

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

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

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www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



Canteen Monday Special

On each Monday in the month of May the canteen will be selling Hot Cinnamon Churros available for \$0.50, add chocolate dipping sauce for \$1.00 extra.

Found

Black case with toy cars. If this is yours please collect from the office.

Music News

ISER Junior Band Camp Champs

Well done to Annabel W, Jacob H, Nathanael B, Kaylen C, Caiden M, Riley B, Athina P and Elise S for their great attitude and behaviour at the band camp held earlier this week.

They were great representatives of Figtree Heights Public School and really had their instrumental music skills tested.

These students were part of a group of 64 students from 26 different Public Schools in our region.

I look forward to following their progress this year as they now work towards the 'Combined Schools Instrumental Festival' later in the year.

I also look forward to having other members of our school band attend this camp next year.

Greg Costello

Band Coordinator



ATTENTION PARENTS



Dear Parents

There have been ongoing cases of head lice at school. We know this can be an issue that causes families concern. Please check your child's head and take appropriate action if necessary.

A second and third check is recommended on subsequent days to ensure the lice life-cycle is broken.

If your child has lice, they are not required to be absent from school once treatment/s have been given.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

School Office

First Aid

Key points to remember around schools

6 Driving and parking safely near the school

School opening and closing hours are busy times for pedestrian and vehicular traffic outside the school.

Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on gazetted school days.

Park safely even if it means walking further to the school gate.

Observe all parking signs. They are planned with children's safety in mind.

NEVER double park as it puts children at risk.

Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child – they will learn from you.

Slow down near the school crossing.

At a supervised crossing, observe the directions of the school crossing supervisor.

Always park and turn legally around the school.

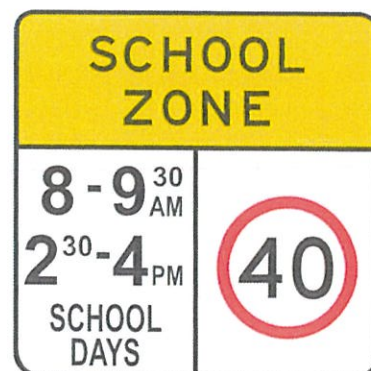
Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.

Always **give way to pedestrians** particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

Avoid parking across the school driveway or the entrance to the school car park.

Using your school's drop off and pick up facility will help keep all children as safe as possible during the busiest times of the school day.

Avoid parking in or near the school bus bay.



For the latest penalties – fines and the loss of demerit points – visit rms.nsw.gov.au

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7 Safety around school crossings

Ensure that your child always uses the school crossing as this is the safest point of entry to the school.

Where there is a **school crossing supervisor** at a school crossing, pedestrians must wait on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road, until the school crossing supervisor indicates that it is safe to cross.

Drivers must not proceed until the crossing supervisor's hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the crossing supervisor indicates that the motorist may proceed through the crossing.

At an **unsupervised children's crossing** when 'CHILDREN CROSSING' flags are displayed, drivers must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross at the crossing. Drivers must remain stationary until the crossing is completely clear of pedestrians.

Drivers need to know that a children's crossing is a part-time crossing that operates before and after school hours, and at times when children are using the crossing, such as for excursions or during lunchtimes.



8 40km/h school zones

The 40km/h school zone slows traffic in the vicinity of the school.

Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8am and 9.30am and from 2.30pm till 4pm. The 40km/h school zone speed limit must be observed even if school children cannot be seen.

A 40km/h school zone operates on all gazetted school days including staff development days (pupil free days).

While some schools may operate on different term dates, school zone speed limits **MUST** be adhered to during NSW Government determined school terms.

Gazetted school term dates for 2014 and 2015 are listed below. These can be found at roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au website and the websites of the NSW Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards and the NSW Department of Education and Communities.

Dragon's teeth road markings

To increase motorists' awareness of 40km/h school zones, triangular dragon's teeth road markings indicate that the vehicle is entering a school zone.

For information about fines and demerit points – visit rms.nsw.gov.au

GAZETTED SCHOOL TERM DATES

	2014	2015
TERM 1	28 January to 11 April	27 January to 2 April
TERM 2	28 April to 27 June	20 April to 26 June
TERM 3	14 July to 19 September	13 July to 18 September
TERM 4	7 October to 19 December	6 October to 18 December

The simplest way

...to eat extra veg every day.

Think a daily dose of five veg sounds like a lot? It's not, with these quick and easy ways to eat extra veg every day!



Baked beans on toast for breakfast (legumes count as veg).

Veg snacks: carrot and celery sticks; corn on the cob (hot or cold); leftover baked pumpkin or sweet potato (great on sandwiches too).

Spread **avocado** on toast or sandwiches.



Vegie sandwich: cucumber slices sandwiched together with reduced-fat cream cheese.



Salad on sandwiches: grated carrot, lettuce, tomato and cucumber; or tabbouleh.

Veg-oodles: long thin strands of grated zucchini, carrot, sweet potato or parsnip mixed with wheat-based pasta or noodles.

For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
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Beat It** 

Please support Figtree Heights Public School's favorite fundraiser



Figtree Heights Public School
Entertainment Book Fundraiser
Parent Co-ordinator:
Karen Craft ph: 0431 031 581



Many of you have already shown your support by purchasing a 2016 / 2017 Entertainment Book or Digital Membership.

With each membership, you can save thousands of dollars until June 2017. As well as saving at some of NSW South Coast's best restaurants, cafes, attractions and theme parks you can also get 5% off your groceries and petrol all year with WISH eVouchers along with 10% off David Jones and Rebel eGift cards.

For every membership we sell \$11 of the purchase price comes straight back to our school. Last year we raised \$1265. This year we are aiming to raise \$1500 for reading and technology resources for our children.

Entertainment Books have been sent home today with the eldest child for your perusal, for purchase please follow the yellow flyer within the Entertainment Book. All unsold books need to be returned to the office by Friday 3rd June.

Extra memberships can be ordered online through www.entbook.com.au/280t297 as well as finding memberships for other regions across Australia and New Zealand.

Please feel free to encourage friends and family to support our school by buying their Entertainment membership through our link above.

Thank you in advance for supporting our fundraiser. Karen Craft.