

# Term 4, Week 8



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Week 8	
Mon 3/12	Ghana Beat My Drum performance @2pm Year 7 2019 Figtree High School Information Evening
Tue 4/12	Year 7 Figtree High School Transition Day
	Illawarra Hawks visit
	Gold afternoon tea #4 @1:35pm
Wed 5/12	P&C MEETING - MUFTI
	Fire Truck visit @ 10am
	Scripture Christmas assembly @12pm
	Illawarra Hawks Visit
Thurs 6/12	Choir @11am
Fri 7/12	Dance Troupe @8am
	Stage 3 Boating Safety presentation @2pm
	Value Wristband assembly @2:45pm
Week 9	
Tue 11/12	Yr 6 Jamberoo Recreation Park excursion
	Choir Christmas Performance, Crown Street, Mall @ 11:30am
Wed 12/12	FHPS Presentation Day @9am
Thurs 13/12	Canteen sub-committee dinner/meeting Mt Kembla Pub @6:30pm Everyone is welcome to join
	Choir @11am
	Year 6 Farewell @5:30pm
Fri 14/12	Dance Troupe @8am
	Parent Helper & Thank You to the Community Afternoon High Tea@1:30pm
	Value Wristband assembly @2:45pm
Week 10	
Tue 18/12	Twilight Night
Wed 19/12	Last day for students
	Year 6 v's Teachers & Parents Soccer game
Thur	Staff Development Day
Fri	Staff Development Day

## Flying Figtree Superstars:

Congratulations to the following

### Silver

Superstar students:

Tyler Monkman, Darcee Cheetham  
and Riley Baird

Congratulations to the following

### Gold

Superstar students:

Lorelei Percival, Orlando Oyedeji, Chiara D'Amico,  
Millie Harnish Dunn, Malaak Abdul Latif, Riley Baird,  
Noah Coppola, Hadley Morris, Lucy Howes,  
Nash Ferguson, Chelsea Vasiliou, Nicholas Pelekanos  
and Chelsea Jones

Congratulations to the following

### Emerald

Superstar students:

Chelsea Neill, Hollie McCall, Zoe Mikhail, Kynan Ware,  
Asha Andrews, Sader Abu Qasim, Arlo Steffen,  
Braxton Ewen-Chappell, Aria Bonacina, Miles Burke,  
Jai Demertzis, Senuki Habaragamuwa, Maeve Hicks  
Dylan Walsh, Anastasia Popovska, Bilal Abdul Latif,  
Stefen Anagnostopoulos and Imogene Anderson

**Superstar wristbands will be awarded at the  
Friday December 7th assembly at 2:45pm**



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...

Elliot Rainford, Zoe Brain and Tamara Bridge

Dear Parents and Carers

## **Breakfast with Santa**

What an incredible event! Santa arriving on the Fire Truck to our school has certainly been the hot topic of discussion today and the faces of our students light up at just the mention of the event on Saturday. Thank you to the wonderful and very dedicated team of parents who worked tirelessly to ensure this event was a roaring success. The community was buzzing with positive feedback as I walked around on Saturday and I for one, am very thankful for the opportunity to have my family photo taken at school. Thank you to the parents and teachers who volunteered on the day, whether it be behind the BBQ, in the production line for the scrumptious breakfast options, setting up, packing up or baking the delicious treats, THANK YOU! Hopefully this can be an annual event for our school.

## **Presentation Day**

A gentle reminder that our school Presentation Day is approaching. It will be held, here at school on **Wednesday December 12 at 9am**. We are hosting the assembly for the very first time in our new COLA and are looking forward to officially opening the COLA on this day. There will be a number of special guests at the Presentation Assembly, but our students will be our guests of honour. I look forward to seeing a packed house as we celebrate everything we have accomplished in 2018. If you are attending can you please RSVP to the office to ensure we have adequate seating.

## **P&C Meeting**

This coming Wednesday, our fabulous P&C will be hosting their final meeting for the school year. To remind parents of this event, students are asked to wear **MUFTI clothes** and make a gold coin donation which will go towards the P&C purchasing school resources for our classrooms. The meeting will begin promptly at 6:30pm and free child minding is available. Why not make use of this and come along to help the P&C and school make decisions for the 2019 school year. It would be great to see you there.

## **2019 Arrangements**

The staff at FHPS are busy making final arrangements for the 2019 school year. As you are aware there have been a few changes of late and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate, Mrs Jessica King on her appointment to Helensburgh Public School as Assistant Principal. As mentioned in my letter to the community last week, Jessica has been an incredible and integral member of our school for the past few years. She will be sorely missed but I know she will change the lives of the students in Helensburgh and wish her all the very best in her future endeavours. As we move our way to the end of the year, further decisions on classing and staffing will be finalised and we will hopefully have a definite structure to start the 2019 school year. This definite structure does not always happen with the changing nature of our student numbers. If you are leaving FHPS in the new year and have not informed the office, please do so as soon as possible so we can make sure we have all the relevant information to make crucial decisions for the new year.

# From the desk of the Principal

## **Reverse Advent Calendar**

This year our school will be involved in a **Reverse Advent Calendar**. The aim of this project is to help those people in our neighbourhood and community who would never ask for help. It is not about being a charity at all, it is a coordinated way in which we can come together as a community and touch the lives of those who live around us.

Instead of presents, we are asking families if they would like to donate useful items such as linen, toiletries, petrol vouchers or supermarket vouchers, lunch boxes and back to school stuff, non perishable food items, Christmas decorations including table cloths, napkins, bon bons etc, to make things a little easier for families in need.

If you have something you would like to donate to our school to pass on to those in need, drop it off to our front office so it can be put under our tree and then donated at Christmas time. If you would like more information on this idea, please contact the front office or find **Reverse Advent Boxes** on Facebook.

Have a wonderful week!  
Warm regards,

*Skye Seymour*

Principal

## Week 8 Learning Disposition Focus:

### Reciprocity



Empathy Effective listening **Social intelligence** Imitating

## Social Aspects of Learning

### Reciprocity

Using the benefits of social capital to build my capacity as a learner.



**Social Intelligence** - I know when to learn alone and when to ask others for advice. I know how much and what kinds of interaction it takes to get the job done. I can see that there are some things that cannot be done with others. I know when to call for backup, when to ask others for advice and when to harness the power of the group.

**Listening** - I show that I am actively listening by my eye contact and my body language. I can recall important parts of what I have heard and can repeat information back to others. I respond appropriately to questions asked about what I have learned.

**Empathy** - I pay attention to other people's ideas, feelings and thoughts. I can sense the feelings and thoughts behind people's actions and words and respond accordingly. I think about what it might feel like to be in another person's shoes.

**Imitation** - I notice detail about how others approach/learn things and use this to accelerate my own learning. I can improve my skills and absorb ideas, strategies and thinking patterns by observing other people and trying to do these things myself.

## Week 8 Learning Habit Focus:

### Social Intelligence



# Super Stars

On the weekend Imogene and Bennett Anderson attended the South Coast Highlands Zone Championships for Little Athletics.

Imogene has been selected for the team to compete at Regionals for 60m hurdles, high jump, 700m walk and discus.

Bennett has been selected for 700m, 60m hurdles and waiting on times for 100m.

Both are off to Griffith in February for the Region 4 Championships!





# Breakfast with Santa





# FHPS Canteen



Research is showing that less than 5% of children are eating the recommended daily servings of vegetables (ABS, 2015). To help address this the canteen will be trialling "Fresh and Free". A Free vegetable snack platter will be offered at the canteen during lunch for anyone who would like to come and try some fresh vegetables. The produce is being donated completely free to the school by Figtree Providores Greengrocer and Deli. Their generosity has made this initiative possible. Please show your appreciation by visiting their brand new store at the old Crinis premises, Princess Hwy, Figtree.

This trial will run from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> of December until our last canteen day of the year on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> of December, and be reviewed for continuation in 2019.

# FHPS

## Parents & Citizens Association

The FHPS P&C would like to welcome all interested Parents and Citizens to our last meeting of the year. A light meal will be provided to all new and current members to celebrate the end of year.

It is taking place in the **HIVE** on **Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December at 6.30pm.**

We would love to see you there!  
(Childminding will be provided)

As a reminder of our meeting we will also be holding a...

## MUFTI DAY

On **Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of December.**  
Gold coin donations on the day will go toward planned improvements to the school playground in 2019.



# Community News

## What is Due and When?

What	When
<b>Year 6 Farewell</b>	<b>3/12/18</b>
<b>Billy &amp; The Mischief Machine Performance</b>	<b>5/12/18</b>
<b>Choir Christmas Carol Performance (S/S)</b>	<b>7/12/18</b>
<b>Term 1, 2, 3 &amp; 4 Online Payments</b>	<b>Overdue</b>

Please note: S/S= selected students only



## FHPS Canteen

*The canteen is open for lunch orders*

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday.**

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

<b>Wednesday 5/12</b>	Atared Latif, Sonia Latif & Asmaa Moussi
<b>Friday 7/12</b>	Rebecca Walshe-Smith & Sara El Gamal
<b>Monday 10/12</b>	<b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>



## Our Canteen uses Flexischools Online Ordering!

Flexischools allows parents, students and staff to place and pay for orders from home, work or school at any time via their mobile, tablet or computer.

As well as being convenient for parents, the online orders are much faster and easier for the school canteen to process - so it makes everyone's life a little easier!

Flexischools is well established, operating in over 1,000 schools across Australia and having processed over 40 million orders.

## How to register:



1. Register for Flexischools by visiting [www.flexischools.com.au](http://www.flexischools.com.au). Add your student, their school and class to get started.
2. Top-Up your account via Visa, Mastercard, PayPal or direct deposit.
3. Make an order by selecting from the range of options available and proceed to make payment for the order listed in your order pad.

## What does it cost?

**Online Ordering Fees** \$0.29 per canteen order

### Account Top-Ups

**Direct Deposit** – FREE (3-5 business days to become available in your Flexischools account)

**Visa / Mastercard / Paypal** – Surcharge of 15c + 1% of your top up value. (Immediately available in your Flexischools account.)

**Need assistance** registering, topping up your account or placing orders, please call the Customer Service Team at Flexischools on **1300 361 769**.

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