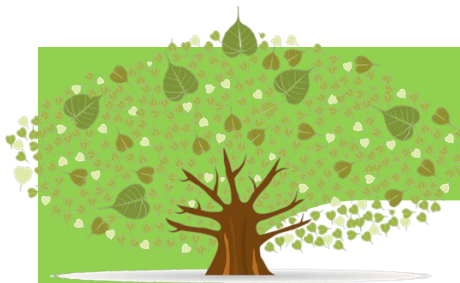


Term 4, Week 10



Week 10	
Mon 16/12	FHPS Talent Showcase 9:15-11:00am
Tue 17/12	Presentation Day @9:15am
Wed 18/12	Students' Last Day
	Year 6 vs Teachers & Parents Soccer Game 2:00pm
Thurs 19/12	Staff Development Day
Fri 20/12	Staff Development Day

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ...

Sara Radford,
Tyce De Bruyn,
Chloe Wilkinson,
Asha Andrews,
Amelia Craft and
Dylan Walsh



TERM 1 2020	
Mon 27/1	AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tue 28/1	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Wed 29/1	STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL



Presentation Day



For those who are planning to attend our Presentation Day Ceremony tomorrow, we look forward to seeing you there. All students are asked to wear their summer uniform. The ceremony will commence at 9:15am under the new COLA.

Twilight Concert

What a great afternoon/evening it was last week for our Twilight Concert. Thank you to all the family members that attended and staff who stayed back at this busy time of year. A huge thank you to Miss Janeska and Mrs Gerrey who organised the event, even though neither of them have been to one previously. Well done ladies! Some impressive singing and dancing by all!

Emerald Excursion

Well what an exciting bus trip it was as the Emerald students tried to guess exactly where we were heading! It can be hard to keep surprises but it definitely added to the suspense so thank you parents for managing to keep our location under wraps!

We ended up at Inflatable World and it was great...and so were our students. They were so well behaved and polite that it was an absolute pleasure for Ms Wyman and I to spend the morning and lunch time with them. Further in the Newsletter we have some photos to share with you, although I don't think they do justice to the amount of fun being had.

Thank you Emerald students, for upholding our school values so consistently.

Figtree Heights Has Talent

We certainly do have talent and some of it was on display today at our Figtree Heights has Talent Show. Congratulations to all of our students who participated, in either the final show or the Stage events. Thank you to the 'stage crews' at home who assisted with costumes, music and props! Also thank you to Miss Bate for her organisation of the show.

Student Representative Council (SRC) Christmas Charity – Christmas Food Drive

For a few more days the SRC are still collecting packaged or tinned food items and/or personal hygiene products to donate to Manna House and to make food hampers. Thank you to those who have already donated. If you would like to support this cause please drop your donation under the Christmas tree in the front office.

New Roof

You may have noticed some scaffolding up around our school. This is due to B Block (near the senior toilets) and A Block (that includes our office area) each receiving a new roof. We are expecting this work will all be completed by the time we return next year...fingers crossed! For now, please avoid any fenced off areas.



From the desk of the Principal

Happy Holidays

As we finish up our school year for 2019, on behalf of the staff of Figtree Heights Public School, I would like to wish you and your family a very happy holiday season. I hope everyone stays safe and gets to enjoy some time with those that we don't always get to catch up with as often as we would like. School will resume on Wednesday 29 January for students in Years 1 to 6. Our Kindergarten students will all be starting on Monday 3 January.

If you are wondering what is on during the school holidays maybe you can get some ideas from <https://www.parents-guide.com.au/whats-on/school-holidays> or <https://whatsoninwollongong.com.au/your-guide-to-the-top-school-holiday-fun-in-wollongong/> .

Last Word



Have a good day!

Rae Redfern
Principal



Twilight Night



Emerald Excursion



1D - Five Cent Friday

1D are very excited to announce that the school raised \$234.70 for the Australian Koala Foundation. Following are some of their letters that they wrote about their fundraising activity.



10.12.19



To the Australia Koala Foundation
I go to Figtree Heights Public
School. We have cared about you
So you can survive in
the world and eat food and get
water. And not get burned
So much because then
you will go to the hospital
and never come back to
the tree.
from Amani

10.12.19



To the Australia Koala Foundation
I go to Figtree Heights Public
School. We have been saving
money for the koalas for such a
long time. Me and my class have
made an assembly item about saving
them! I hope it is enough. I love
Koalas. from Dylan.

10.12.19



To the Australia Koala Foundation
I go to Figtree Heights Public
School. We have been
trying to raise money
for the koalas. We
hope they have enough
Money to get food
and water. I hope the
fires stop so the koalas
stop getting hurt from
Asher 1D P5 You are the
best because you help the koalas

10.12.19



To the Australia Koala Foundation
I go to Figtree Heights Public
School. My class have been
Saving money to save
the koalas. We have gone
around the school and collected
money in the class rooms.
We hope this is enough coins
for the koalas. From April 1D



To the Australia Koala
Foundation I go to Figtree
Heights Public School.
It was soooooo fun
When we got the
money. I love
saving the koalas.
The koalas are dying.
I love them soooo
much. from Lorelei 1D

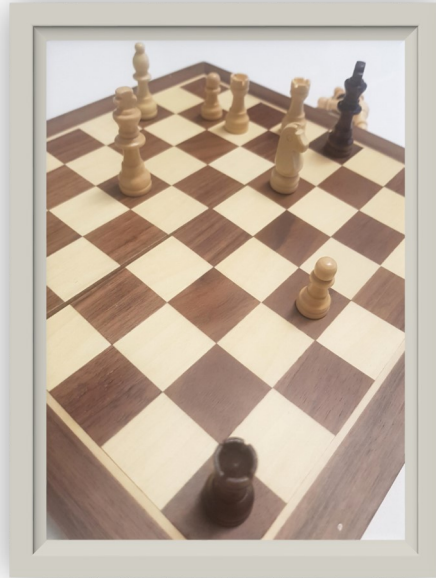
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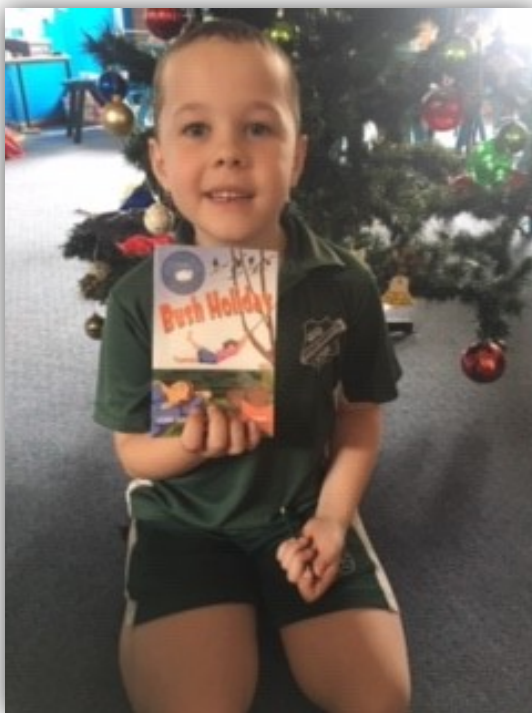
To the Australia Koala
Foundation. I go to Figtree
Heights public School. Me and
my class have been going
around the school to
collect some 5cent coins.
We hope this is enough
money to help the
koalas. from Courtney in 1D

Chess Competition

The grand final of the chess competition was held on Thursday of Week 9. Congratulations to Asher Percival and Ty Adlington who went head to head. It was a very tense game but it was Asher, in the end, that defeated Ty. The picture of the chess board indicates the checkmate move made by Asher. Well done to both boys for making it to the grand final and there were 22 competitors in total.



Superstar Student



Rowdy donated this book to the 1D classroom home reading library as a contribution to Farmer for a Day.

Community News

What is Due and When?

What	When
Mathletics (s/s) \$26	DUE NOW
MathsOnline (s/s) \$10	DUE NOW
Reading Eggs (s/s) \$24	DUE NOW
Spelling Mastery	DUE NOW

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!



Monday 16/12	Simone Pratt
Wednesday 18/12	Wendy Coppola & Rebecca Walshe-Smith

REMINDER

The canteen will be closed for orders on Wednesday 18 December. It will be open for any left over drinks and ice blocks. Some items will not be reordered if they run out by week 9.

The value of the fortnight is...

Fairness

Take a minute to think about how you are showing Fairness in everything that you do!



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. 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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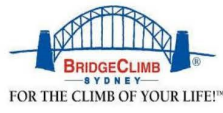
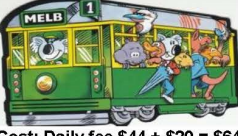






WEEK 1 VACATION CARE SUMMER PROGRAM 2019 / 2020

Thursday 19th Dec	Friday 20th Dec	Monday 27th January	Tuesday 28th January
<p>EXCURSION ROLL SANTA SPECTACULAR</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$43+ \$45= \$88 Arrive before 8am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sydney Spectacular @ Penrith Panthers Carnival rides Toboggans & Ice skating <p>Maximum attendance 41 Expected educators attending 6</p>	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL RILEY'S 21st PARTY</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$43 + \$10 = \$53 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Celebrating Riley's 21st Birthday Jumping castle Fairy floss Party games 	<p>JANUARY PUPIL FREE DAY PROGRAM</p> <p>OOSH CLOSED</p> <p>WE WILL BE CLOSED</p> 	<p>EXCURSION ROLL PICNIC AT THE PARK</p>   <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$10 = \$54 Arrive before 9am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play @ Figtree Dragon Park Sports games Lunch @ McDonalds <p>Maximum attendance 42 Expected educators attending 5</p>
<p>IN CENTRE ROLL CHRISTMAS MADNESS</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$43 Activities start at 10am Bring: Festive costume</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas art & craft Christmas movies Disco 	<p>JANUARY PUPIL FREE DAY PROGRAM</p> <p>OOSH CLOSED</p> <p>WE WILL BE CLOSED</p> 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL FROZEN FRENZY</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create own cold Rock ice cream Frozen excavation activities Ice activities 	

WEEK 2 VACATION CARE SUMMER PROGRAM 2019 / 2020

Monday 6th January	Tuesday 7th January	Wednesday 8th January	Thursday 9th January	Friday 10th January
<p>SENIORS EXCURSION ROLL RAGING WATERS SYDNEY</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$91= \$135 Arrive before 8am Bring: swimmers, rash vest & towel</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formally Wet n Wild Sydney Water rides & swimming Bring own lunch money <p>Maximum attendance 16 Expected educators attending 2</p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL MOVIES & RASHAYS</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + 30=\$74 (Includes lunch costs) Arrive before 9am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Movie @ Hoyts Warramong Lunch @ Rashays Freddo & Chuppa Chup <p>Maximum attendance 42 Expected educators attending 5</p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL SHREK THE MUSICAL</p>  <p>Cost: Daily Fee \$44 + \$74 = \$118 Arrive before 8:30am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shrek the Musical @ the Lyric Theatre Sydney Musical theatre experience Freddo & Chuppa Chup <p>Maximum attendance 40 Expected educators attending 4</p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL JAMBEROO ACTION PARK</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$52 = \$96 Arrive before 8:30am Bring: Swimmers, rash vest & towel</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water rides Swimmer fun Splash parks <p>Expected attendance 30 Expected educators attending 5</p> <p><small>Please Note: Season pass holder information: - Please Inform us at the time of booking or you will be charged for a ticket - An additional fee of \$12 applies to cover operation costs - A maximum of 10 season passes can be accepted per day due to group ticket restrictions</small></p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL BLUE MILE SCOOTER</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$5 = \$49 Arrive before 8:30am Bring: Scooter & helmet with name label on all items</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scooter along the blue mile Park equipment play Ice cream included <p>Maximum attendance 42 Expected educators attending 5</p>
<p>IN CENTRE ROLL HARRY POTTER DAY</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am Bring: Dress up Harry Potter</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trivia everything Harry Potter Quidditch games Wand making 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL GRASSHOPPER SOCCER</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$10 = \$54 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soccer skills lesson with Grasshopper Soccer Soccer games Sports themed games & crafts 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL RELAX AT OOSH</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Movies at OOSH Board games Mindfulness activities 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL KIDS VS EDUCATORS</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tug a rope Team races Building challenges 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL BACKYARD CARNIVAL GAMES</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pop the balloon games Juggling skills lesson Carnival games

WEEK 3 VACATION CARE SUMMER PROGRAM 2019 / 2020

Monday 13 th January	Tuesday 14 th January	Wednesday 15 th January	Thursday 16 th January	Friday 17 th January
<p>EXCURSION ROLL THE IAN POTTER CHILDREN'S GARDEN</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$10 = \$54 Arrive before 8am Bring: Swimmers, rash vest & towel</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wild Play Garden @ Centennial Parklands Water splash play area Nature area play activities <p>Maximum attendance 42 Expected educators attending 5</p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL SWIMMING SPORTS</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$15 = \$59 Arrive before 8:30am Bring: Swimmers, rash vest & towel</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming & games with EC Sports Swim & Surf School Swimming @ Port Pool Sport games at the park <p>Maximum attendance 30 Expected educators attending 5</p>	<p>SENIORS EXCURSION ROLL HARBOUR BRIDGE CLIMB</p>  <p>Cost: Daily Fee \$44 + \$200 = \$244 Arrive before 8am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bridge climb with digital photo Ice cream @ The Rocks Bring own lunch money <p>Maximum attendance 12 Expected educators attending 2</p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL SYDNEY TRAMWAY MUSEUM</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$20 = \$64 Arrive before 8:30am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tram museum @ Loftus Ride a tram Explore the Display Hall <p>Expected attendance 42 Expected educators attending 5</p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL TREES ADVENTURE</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$50 = \$94 Arrive before 8am Waiver required</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2hrs of Tree maze climbing @ Trees Adventure Nowra Zip lining Ladder climbs <p>Maximum attendance 41 Expected educators attending 6</p>
<p>IN CENTRE ROLL BIKE & SCOOTER FUN</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am Bring: Own bike or scooter & helmet</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bike races Scooter races Challenge courses 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL WHERE'S WALLY</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am Bring: Dress up red & white</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Find Wally challenge What's Wally holding challenge Hide & seek activities 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL LET'S GO OLD SCHOOL</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Old School yard games Old School music Old School activities 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL COLOUR RUN</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am Bring: White T-shirt for colour run</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colour run game Team challenges Colour crafts 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL ALL THINGS USA</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American style hotdog lunch American trivia American sports activities

WEEK 4 VACATION CARE SUMMER PROGRAM 2019 / 2020

Monday 20 th January	Tuesday 21 st January	Wednesday 22 nd January	Thursday 23 rd January	Friday 24 th January
<p>EXCURSION ROLL JAMBEROO ACTION PARK</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$52 = \$96 Arrive before 8:30am Bring: Swimmers, rash vest & towel</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water rides Swimmer fun Splash parks <p>Expected attendance 30 Expected educators attending 5</p> <p><small>Please Note: Season pass holder information: - Please inform us at the time of booking or you will be charged for a ticket. - An additional fee of \$12 applies to cover operation costs. A maximum of 10 season passes can be accepted per day due to group ticket restrictions</small></p>	<p>EXCURSION ROLL CATARACT SCOUT PARK</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$30 = \$74 Arrive before 8am Bring: swimmers, rash vest, towel & change of clothes Please wear old clothes & shoes that get can dirty / muddy</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water slide activity Challenge Valley mud course activity Nature walks <p>Maximum attendance 42 Expected educators attending 5</p>	<p>SLEEPOVER EXCURSION ROLL BERRY SPORT & RECREATION CENTRE SLEEPOVER</p>  <p>Cost: Daily Fee for 2 days \$88 + \$145 = \$233 Arrive before 8:30am Wednesday 22nd January Separate permission form required with full details of what to bring, routine and activities</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sleepover stay @ Berry recreation centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All meals included Activities may include: Canoeing, Archery, raft building, giant swing rock climbing, caving <p>Expected attendance 30 Expected educators attending 5</p>	<p>SENIORS EXCURSION ROLL CABLES AQUA PARK</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 + \$52 = \$96 Arrive before 8am Bring: Swimmers, rash vest & towel Waiver required</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aqua activities @ Cables Aqua Park Penrith Water inflatables & swimming Bring own lunch money for Krispy Kreme / McDonalds / KFC <p>Maximum attendance 16 Expected educators attending 2</p>	
<p>IN CENTRE ROLL VIDEO GAMING</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am Bring: dress up character</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wii & PlayStation activities Media inspired sports games Media inspired crafts 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL SUPER SPIES</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am Bring: Dress up Secret Agent</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secret Spy mission challenges Who done it challenges Secret Agent obstacle course 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL FUN OLYMPICS</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relay activities Olympic sport games Team challenges 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL MOVIE MARATHON</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Back to back movies Board games Movie inspired activities 	<p>IN CENTRE ROLL NRL CLINIC</p>  <p>Cost: Daily fee \$44 Activities start at 10am</p> <p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rugby league ball skills with NRL Illawarra Sports games NRL inspired activities

creative kids courses



The NSW Government is helping kids get creative with the new Creative Kids program. Parents, guardians and carers of every school student in NSW can receive a \$100 voucher each year for registration, participation and tuition costs for creative and cultural activities

Use your \$100 CREATIVE KIDS VOUCHER for these courses!

KIDS SEWING CLASSES (10 - 18 YRS)

In this fun and relaxed environment you will learn lifelong skills whilst having fun along the way! On your first session you will learn how to use your sewing machine and the basics of sewing and stitches. You will then learn to make your very own personalised cushion and progressing to sew projects of your choice. NOTE: BYO sewing machine and cottons. Fabric will be provided.

5 SESSIONS X 3 HRS
Tutor Jovanka Kanaris
Start Sat 15 Feb 9.30 am
WEA Wollongong
CN11023X \$185.00

CREATIVE WRITING COURSE (15 - 18 YRS)

The Creative Writing course aims to assist aspiring young writers to get started on their creative writing projects in a friendly, fun environment. Whether the young writers are intending to write poetry, short stories, novels or simply journal their thoughts and musings, this course will help them explore and further inspire their creativity.

3 SESSIONS X 3 HRS
Tutor Karen Lane
Start Sun 2 Feb 9.15 am
WEA Wollongong
CN11021X \$166.00

POTTERY CLASSES (8-14 YRS)

This course will introduce children between the ages of 8 yrs to 14 yrs to the medium of clay by exploring both hand building and wheel throwing techniques. Children will be guided through a range of hand building techniques including pinching, coiling and slab building to create a variety of objects e.g. plates, bowls, platters, figurines and small decorative ornaments.

6 SESSIONS X 1.5 HRS
Tutor Mary Monteleone
Start Wed 12 Feb 4 pm
WEA Wollongong
CN11022X \$176.00

GRAPHIC DESIGN USING PHOTOSHOP (12 - 18 YRS)

This course will introduce students to the art of manipulating and editing images using industry standard Adobe Photoshop software. Under the guidance of the tutor who is a graphic designer, the students will follow the steps to create their own individual A4 size posters. Students will learn skills that can be used both academically at school and personally at home.

1 SESSION X 5 HRS
Tutor Maria Basaglia
Start Sat 15 Feb 9.30 am
WEA Wollongong
CN11024X \$160.00

CHINESE MANDARIN LANGUAGE CLASSES (7 - 12 YRS)

The Chinese Mandarin After School Program is an out of school activity which aims to foster an interest in the Chinese Mandarin language and culture. The activity is pitched at primary children ages 7 - 12 year olds within the Illawarra region.

12 SESSIONS X 1.5 HRS
Tutor Su-Lien Chen
Start Mon 10 Feb 3.30 pm
WEA Wollongong
CN11020X \$299.00

Creative KIDS!

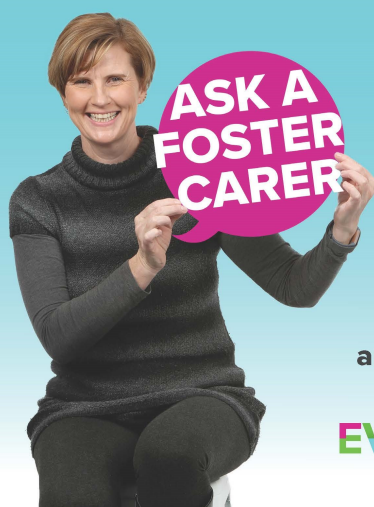
- Receive \$100 off the price of each course when paid in conjunction with your Creative KIDS voucher!
- All of our tutors have certified Working With Children checks!
- All WEA Illawarra tutors are experts in their subject matter!
- Refer to weaillawarra.com.au to find out more details about each course and its tutor
- This is just the start of the courses we will be offering watch this space!

Can you solve any one of these?



Register on the WCA website to keep up to date and come along to Wollongong's first official competition in February 2020. Date to be announced shortly on the website.

<https://www.worldcubeassociation.org>

Want to know about fostering

Watch our video series at caresouth.org.au

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