

Term 2, Week 4



Flying Figtree Superstars:

Congratulations to the following

Bronze

Superstar students:

Ethan Humphrey, Hugh Clark,
Zoe Brain, Nate Hosking, Isaac Vasic,
Tahlia D'Amico, Jonty Ivaneza,
Isabel Burnes, Aria Bonacina,
Kale McClymont, Darcee Cheetham,
Brooke Baird and Alex Ladmore

Congratulations to the following

Silver

Superstar students:

Chloe Wilkinson

PLEASE NOTE:

**Superstar wristbands will be awarded at the
Friday May 31st assembly at 2:45pm**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ...

Amelie Morrison, Keira Meagher,
Lillian Walshe-Smith, Georgia
Geralexis, Charlotte Manning,
Asher Burke, Leah Thackray
and Zoe Jeffrey

TERM 2	
Week 4	
Wed 22/5	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8.45am
	National Simultaneous Story Time
	PSSA Netball knockout, Illawarra Sports High School @ 2pm
Fri 24/5	FHPS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL @ Figtree High School
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
Week 5	
Wed 29/5	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8.45am
Thur 30/5	School Photo Day
Fri 31/5	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
	Superstar Awards Assembly @ 2:45pm
Week 6	
Tue 4/6	Canteen Tuesday Special - NOODLES
Wed 5/6	P&C Meeting - HIVE @ 6:30pm
	P&C MUFTI DAY
	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8.45am
Fri 7/6	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
	Superstar Awards Assembly @ 2:45pm

**Canteen will be CLOSED
this Friday, 24th May due to the
Athletics Carnival**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Many of you will be celebrating and others commiserating over the results of the election this weekend – but one thing everyone can agree on is the power of the ‘democracy sausage’! Thank you to all of the parents and grandparents who baked cakes and cooked egg and bacon rolls and sausages for the Year 6 fund-raiser. The cupcakes were truly a work of art. I was also impressed by the students who offered a dog walking service whilst their owners voted – great value for \$1 - genius!

The Scholastic Book Fair last week was a huge success. Students were delighted with the books on offer and the beautiful posters were also very popular. Thank you to Mrs Fincher for organising the event and the HIVE team and other senior students who helped with the setting up – a mighty task.

K-6 SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL – FRIDAY, 24TH MAY, FIGTREE HIGH SCHOOL

Our carnival is on this Friday. Parent helpers would be very much appreciated on this day especially for timekeeping. If you are able to help in some way, please contact Mr Voysey as soon as possible.

Could all children please return their permission note as soon as possible to assist with the organisation.

The children should enter from O'Brien's Road entrance where they will be met by a teacher before heading to the netball court which is our student assembly point. Teachers will be positioned along the path to ensure students find their way. The 800m races are starting early so please be aware as you cross the oval to avoid the races. Although there are some seats available they are not near the main events so spectators will find an umbrella for the sunshine and a picnic rug or chair very useful. A coffee van will be available for your convenience.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL TRAINING AND SPORTS UNIFORM REMINDER

Mr Nielsen will continue athletics training during his lessons this week. Remember that students may wear their sports uniform so that they are more comfortable. Mr Nielsen's timetable was included in last week's newsletter.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE PRACTICE

This week we will be holding an emergency evacuation drill. The teachers will explain the procedures to the students beforehand. You may like to speak to your child about this so that they are not unduly worried. We will be holding a lockdown procedure practice later in the term.

IMPORTANT - ANAPHYLAXIS and ALLERGIES

A reminder that we have students who attend our school who are highly allergic to certain foods and a recent anaphylaxis event highlights how important it is not to send food items to school which contain nuts. Please remind your child not to share food with others as we cannot be sure of the ingredients.

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

This Wednesday we will join thousands of schools across Australia to read the book "Alpacas with Maracas" at the same time. 11am will see us enjoying this humorous story. Mrs Fincher has been busy preparing our students for this by assisting them to create their own maracas - a fun event to encourage the enjoyment of books.

KID's CLUB

Care for some yoga? or perhaps some Lego building? We all enjoy different things and to provide a wider range of options for our students at recess and lunch, teachers have volunteered to run extra activities. Our first selection includes mindfulness/yoga, board games/Lego, creative arts, skipping, scavenger hunts and sports watching on the big screen. This is in addition to students being involved in choir, dance troupe, the HIVE (library) team, the Sports and Technology teams, the Live Life Well gardening team and of course, the usual outdoor playground activities.

PSSA NETBALL COMPETITION

This Wednesday, Miss Pearce will supervise our netball team at the PSSA competition. Good luck girls – have fun, show great sportsmanship, represent our school with pride and we will be eager to hear how the game went.

WINTER 'BUGS' AND ILLNESSES

The 'winter bugs' are affecting our students and teachers at the moment. We have had a growing number of ill children having to be sent home due to chest infections. Please do not send your children to school if they are too sick. The link below gives parents/carers advice on how to manage various health conditions and may be of use for parents/carers on how long to keep your child at home if they are unwell. This information has been supplied by NSW Health and is not intended to replace a visit to your doctor if anyone in your family is unwell.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/practical-help-for-parents-and-carers/family-wellbeing/health/too-sick-to-go-to-school>

2020 KINDERGARTEN

The time has come to look at enrolments for next year. If you know of any family in our local area who have a child starting Kindergarten in 2020, please encourage them to contact the school and leave their details. Our classes in 2020 depend on our Kindergarten numbers and the earlier we can finalise these numbers the better. Thank you in advance.

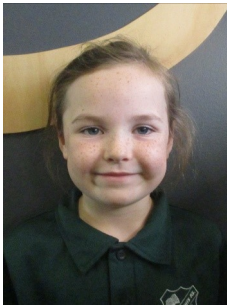
SCHOOL WINTER UNIFORM TRANSITION

We will commence our transition to winter school uniform this week. Our school photos will be held next week (Thursday 30th) and students are to be in full winter uniform for these.

I hope you have a wonderful week.
Kind regards,
Dee

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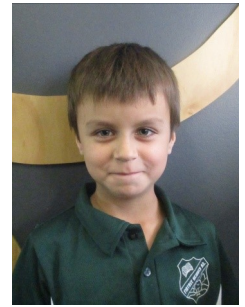


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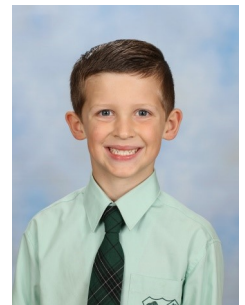


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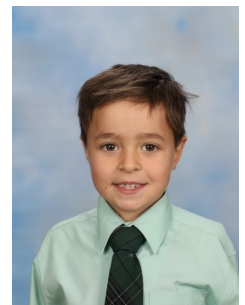


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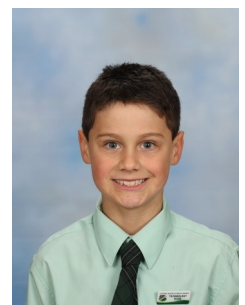


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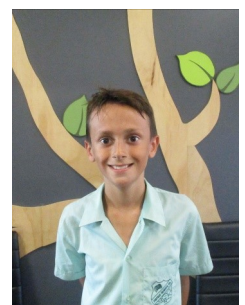


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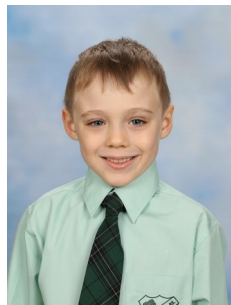
Sophie McCall



Toby Morrison



Jarrah McClymont



Dylan Walsh



Jamie Wouters



William Humphrey

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the following students for completing the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Happy Reading FHPS!



Jarrah McClymont KM



Blair Matias KD



Srivatsa Ananthram 1D



Elizabeth Pirie 4/5B



Tyce DeBruyn 5/6P

Starting this week, FHPS is offering some extra activities to students during break times. Please see the activities below as they show you what activity is on during the week and where to meet the organising teacher. This timetable will also be found on the noticeboard outside the office as a reminder each day.

Kids Club Activities

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch 1 Activity		Board games/Lego		Skipping	
Teacher		Miss Murray		Miss Janeska	
Area		1/2M		Back oval/concrete	
Lunch 2 Activity		Board games/Lego	Creative arts		Sport Watching
Teacher		Miss Murray	Miss Bate		Mr Voysey
Area		1/2M	4/5B		3/4V
Recess Activity	Mindfulness/ Yoga Club		Scavenger Hunt		
Teacher	Miss Middleton		Miss Pearce		
Area	KM		Old COLA		



Figgy Heights Fathers group

If you'd like to join our Figgy Heights Fathers group and be in the loop with what we're doing, follow this link, fill in your name and email address, and join other fathers and father-figures from our school community:

<https://thefatheringproject.org/dads-group/figtree-heights-public-school/?letter=F>

FIGGY HEIGHTS FATHERING TIPS

The older children get, the busier they become and the harder it can be to find moments to connect. Here are a few tools you might use to find a few extra minutes with your children:

- Make the most of time in the car - drive them to and from friends' houses or outings and spend the travel catching-up.
- Encourage them to help you cook meals in the kitchen or on the barbecue.
- When they are learning to drive, supervise their driving practice.
- Watch sport together – either at the game or on TV.
- Exercise together – go to the gym, for a run or sign up for a social team sport together.
- Plan and then take a holiday together.



Book Club

Bookclub Issue 3 closes Sunday 26th May 2019

Scholastic Bookclub Orders

Cash or cheques will not be accepted as payment.

All Bookclub purchases must be done online using the Scholastic Loop Payment Portal.

If you wish to purchase books for a gift and would like the option to pick up from the School Office, there is now an option to select this when you order online.

If you have any queries or require assistance, please contact the Bookclub Coordinator Rebecca Anderson on 0412469343.

FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION



Your P&C Federation
Committed to Public Education

GENERAL MEETING WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE

6.30PM IN THE HIVE
FREE 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



STEWART HOUSE Donation Drive 2019

Families & Supporters

Follow these 3 easy steps

- STEP 1...** Take home the envelope and fill in your name, address, telephone number and school.
- STEP 2...** Insert a donation of at least \$2 into the envelope and seal it.
- STEP 3...** Return the envelope to your school / office.

Important Information

The winning entry for the \$4,000 family holiday to a destination of choice (brokered through JC Travel Professionals) will be drawn on Friday 31st May 2019 at 12pm. The winner and the winner's school will be contacted by phone and email. Full terms and conditions for this competition are available on our website: stewarthouse.org.au.



PO BOX 21 FRESHWATER NSW 2096 | 9938 3100
marketing@stewarthouse.org.au
stewarthouse.org.au 



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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION TO STEWART HOUSE, PLEASE
RETURN THE ENVELOPE TO THE OFFICE BY **FRIDAY 24th MAY**

ENTERTAINMENT FUNDRAISING

Support Figtree Heights Public School fundraising.
We are fundraising for school resources.

The Entertainment Books will be sent home
Tuesday 28th May so you can see what offers are available.

The membership is available as a book (with a gold card and vouchers) or as a Digital Membership that puts all offers in the Book, on your smartphone to redeem at the touch of a button.

To order your Book or your Digital Membership securely online visit:
www.entbook.com.au/280t297

FHPS

Parents & Citizens Association

The FHPS P&C would like to welcome all interested Parents and Citizens to
our first meeting of the year!

It is taking place in the **HIVE** on **Wednesday the 5th of June at 6.30pm.**

As always, new members are always welcome!

Childminding is available

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

MUFTI DAY

On **Wednesday the 5th of June.**

Please send your child to school with a
Gold coin donation.

**All money received benefits
our students and our
amazing school.**



Community News

What is Due and When?

What	When
School Magazine (s/s) \$10	End Term 2
Mathletics (s/s) \$26	End Term 2
MathsOnline (s/s) \$10	End Term 2
Reading Eggs (s/s) \$24	End Term 2
District Cross Country (s/s) \$11	9/5/19

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!

Wednesday 22/05	Mell Pirie and Alice Zhou
Friday 24/05	CLOSED
Monday 27/05	Wendy Coppola and Liz Depers



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Contact Us

Email: figtreehts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Phone: 02 4228 6555 .

14 St George Ave, Figtree NSW 2525



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.)

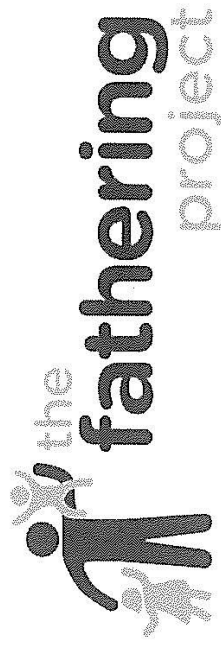
Need assistance registering, topping up your account or placing orders, please call the Customer Service Team at Flexischools on **1300 361 769**.

SWIM LESSONS



ENQUIRE TODAY!

www.ecsportz.com.au
Physical Therapy Building
60 Rosemount St
WOLLONGONG NSW 2500
0401 691 049



Illawarra Combined Schools Dad's Night

Continuing the conversation about fathering

This night will be an opportunity to:

- Hear from The Fathering Project and local dads talking about being fathers
- Connect with other dads from across the Illawarra, sharing ideas and drawing upon the wisdom in the room
- Hear what other Dad's Groups are doing in their schools

We're all on the same journey and can learn from each other

17 June 2019, 7:00pm

West's Illawarra Leagues Club

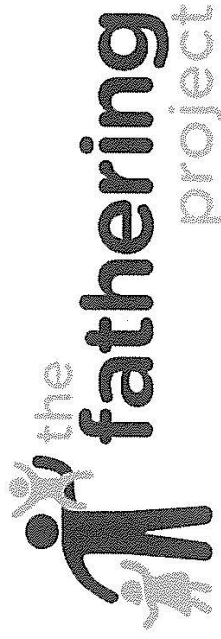
Food served at 7:00pm

If you require more details, please email:

nikolaj@thefatheringproject.org

This combined Dad's Night at 7pm will follow a training session at 6pm for dads interested in becoming a Facilitator/Presenter for TFP. For more information on either session, please email Nikolaj at the address above.

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Come and learn how you can help us to start the conversation about fathering in local schools and community groups.

We will be running a session to train people to present/facilitate productive Dads Group gatherings, and to learn what the research says about fathering.

The purpose of attending this session is so you can effectively:

- facilitate/present a Dads Group night
- promote and assist the implementation of The Fathering Project in local schools
- be a support to the local TFP coordinator
- be a support for local Dads Groups

The key function of this training is to provide support to the school and dads group, as The Fathering Project expands in this region.

We will walk you through a tried and tested process, to engage the dads, and build a group of men who are focused on being involved and effective fathers or father figures.

If you would like to help other dads put fathering first, then come along.

Join The Fathering Project's Illawarra Coordinator, Nikolaj, and NSW Schools Program Manager, David, to learn how you can help The Fathering Project to reach more fathers in this region.

17 June 2019, 6pm to 7pm

Venue: West's Illawarra Leagues Club

For details or to RSVP, please email:

nikolaj@thefatheringproject.org

Training will begin at 6pm and will be followed by a Regional

Dads night, starting at 7pm. Food will be provided.

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CANTEEN TUESDAY SPECIALS: NOODLES

On **Tuesday 4th of June** the canteen is having a special:

2-Minutes Cup Noodles: \$2.50

Beef, Chicken and gluten free options are available. Orders are to be individually collected by the children from the canteen desk at lunchtime.

The Canteen will be open for service during the lunch break for drinks and snacks only.

Orders are due by **Thursday 30th of May** – **AVAILABLE** on **FLEXISCHOOL**

Orders received after the due date may not be fulfilled.

PLEASE NOTE ITEMS FROM THE USUAL CANTEEN MENU WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.

CANTEEN TUESDAY SPECIAL - ORDER FORM

Noodles Cup: \$2.50 each

Student _____ Class _____

(GF = gluten free)

Beef QTY _____

Chicken QTY _____

GF Beef QTY _____

GF Chicken QTY _____

TOTAL: _____