

# Term 2, Week 8



## Flying Figtree Superstars:

Congratulations to the following

### Bronze

Superstar students:

Hank Guo, Jarrah McClymont, Rachel Leo, Jackson Browne, Tom Fischer, Hadley Morris, Jai Demertzis, Tamara Bridge, Josh Djurovski, Amelie Hill, Amelia Elphick, Sophia Petasecca, Nate Pratt, Lily Hanrahan Meaney, Hendrix Brain-Bowen, Savanna Bennis and Chelsea Vasiliou

Congratulations to the following

### Silver

Superstar students:

Brooke Baird and Bilal Abdul Latif

Congratulations to the following

### Gold

Superstar students:

Chloe Wilkinson

**Superstar wristbands will be awarded at the Friday June 21st assembly at 2:45pm**

TERM 2	
Week 8	
Mon 17/6	The Fathering Project @ Wests Illawarra Leagues Club from 6:00pm
Tue 18/6	Premier's Debating Day @ FPS
Wed 19/6	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8:45am
Thu 20/6	<b>Figgy Heights Fathering Project</b> Board Games and Cards - FHPS @1:35pm
Fri 21/6	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
	Superstar Awards Assembly @ 2:45pm
Week 9	
Tue 25/6	<b>CANTEEN TUESDAY SPECIAL—HOT DOGS</b>
Wed 26/6	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8:45am
Thur 27/6	COS Public Speaking competition
Fri 28/6	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
	Superstar Awards Assembly @ 2:45pm
Week 10	
Tue 2/7	Choir Rehearsal @ Mt St Thomas
Wed 3/7	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8:45am
Fri 5/7	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	<b>NO DANCE TROUPE TODAY</b>
	Superstar Awards Assembly @ 2:45pm



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ...

Destiny Strat, Colin Zhou, Callum Hill, Lorelei Percival, Olivia Morgan, Sophia Edwards and Chloe Telenta

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week is forecast to be quite wet and unpleasant. The number of children arriving at school very early has increased of late. Please be reminded that teachers are not on duty until 8:30am. For their safety, early arrivals need to sit under the old COLA until the 8:30am bell. It is better that children do not arrive before this bell unless they need to due to family commitments. Our OOSH care is available in the mornings as well as the afternoons and can be contacted on 42272515.

## **PREMIER'S DEBATING COMPETITION**

The debating team is busy practising for our Premier's Debating Competition tomorrow at Figtree Public School where they will compete in two debates. We wish them well in this challenging and exciting event.

## **EMERGENCY 'LOCK DOWN' PRACTICE**

This week we will be holding a practice emergency 'Lock Down' procedure. This is different from an evacuation procedure as it entails staying inside the classrooms. You may wish to speak to your child about this so that they are not overly alarmed.

## **'FATHERING PROJECT' DAY AT FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL**

This Thursday afternoon we are looking forward to having all dads, grandfathers and father figures join us from 1:30pm. Coffee, tea and bickies will be available for adults to enjoy with your child/ren as they eat their recess, followed by a fun afternoon playing board games. Please bring your favourite games (and picnic rugs if the weather is kind). Of course, mothers and grandmothers are also welcome if dads are unavailable.

## **COLOUR RUN EXCITEMENT CONTINUES**

Congratulations to Abigail Charlton-Shaw who was the highest individual fund-raiser for the Colour Fun Run. Abigail had a huge smile as she was presented with a medallion and certificate at last Friday's assembly. 1/2M also received a certificate for the class who raised the most and will enjoy a celebratory pizza party. I hope that the students who qualified for prizes enjoyed their selections.

## **SPELLING BEE**

Due to the huge numbers of participants, the Spelling Bee will not be held until later than the date I mentioned last week. New dates will be confirmed soon.

## **REPORTS and INTERVIEWS**

Our aim is to have school wide distribution of Semester 1 reports on Monday, 1st July. Our 'open door' policy means that parent/teacher meetings can occur any time during the term on a needs basis. As many parents have already had meetings with their child's teacher, there is no set interview day for this term, rather, if you would like to make an appointment to discuss your child's progress a request can be made to your child's teacher to organise a mutually convenient time.

## **2020 KINDERGARTEN**

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.

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

# Premier's Reading Challenge



Lucas Tsang KD

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

Happy reading FHPS!



Chelsea Neill 5/6P



The value of the fortnight is...

# Fairness

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





Our "Dress as a Farmer" mufti day was to raise funds for the  
"Rural Aid - Adopt a Farmer Campaign".

We received a letter thanking us for our generous donation.

We raised \$261.40 for this charity.

Your donation helps to better the lives of our farmers and families across Australia.

Well done FHPS



### **FIGTREE HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL**

for supporting **RURAL AUSTRALIA** and making  
a real difference in the lives of our **FARMERS**



### 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**

**Wests Illawarra Leagues Club**

**Food served at 7:00pm**

If you require more details, please email:

[nikolaj@thefatheringproject.org](mailto: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.

[www.thefatheringproject.org](http://www.thefatheringproject.org)



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: Wests Illawarra Leagues Club**

For details or to RSVP, please email:

[nikolaj@thefatheringproject.org](mailto: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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## Book Club

**Bookclub Issue 4 closes Sunday 23rd June 2019**

### Scholastic Bookclub Orders

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.

***Cash or cheques will not be accepted as payment.***

## **REMINDER: YEARS 3 to 6 STUDENTS**

**Southern Stars Matinee Performance** excursion on Friday 23 August at Wollongong Entertainment Centre. \$35 covers ticket and bus. If you are interested in attending this excursion please bring your permission note and payment to the office ASAP. Spaces are limited.

# 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>

Details of the upcoming Figgy Heights Fathers event are as follows:

## Thursday 20th of June

1:35pm - eat recess with your kid/s

2:00pm - quick group talk with Mr Nielsen about The Fathering Project and Figgy Heights Fathers

2:10pm - in classrooms to play board games and cards with kids

## FIGGY HEIGHTS FATHERING TIPS

### Rough and tumble play with restraint

- Rough and tumble is important for a boys development.
- Teach your boys how to hold back and play with restraint.
- Getting dirty is ok.
- Teach your boys to take calculated risks – but always maintain control.
- Teach them to control their aggression before someone gets hurt.



## DAD JOKES

*Why did the coffee file a  
police report?  
It got mugged*





# 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
Spelling Mastery	End Term 2
Dance Troupe Costume (s/s)	End Term 2
SIMF Rehearsal (s/s)	25/6/19

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 19/06	Wendy Coppola & Rebecca Walshe-Smith
Friday 21/06	Sylvia George & Clare Williams
Monday 24/06	Wendy Coppola & Liz Depers

### 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:

← LOGIN



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



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Physical Therapy Building  
60 Rosemount St  
WOLLONGONG NSW 2500  
**0401 691 049**

2019

# NIGHTS ON CROWN LUMINOUS LAND

20-22 JUNE 6-9PM  
CROWN STREET MALL

*Nights on Crown: Luminous Land* is a time for us to celebrate  
our common human connection to nature, land, light and play...



Emma  
Donovan

## NIGHTS ON CROWN

This free event for all ages offers cutting edge live music ranging from acclaimed Australian singer and songwriter, *Emma Donovan* to experimental pop legends, *Dream Dog*. Experience creative performances that will make you want to dance in the street, play amongst the Story Trees or just sit back and enjoy the delicious food on offer.

### Luminous Puppet – Marri Dyin

Enter a luminous landscape featuring Marri Dyin, meaning 'Great Woman' in Eora language. Experience this incredible moment as she weaves her captivating story...

Illuminating the Crown Street Mall with her six metre high splendour, Marri Dyin is the magnificent creative centrepiece for Nights on Crown 2019. Her presence is a symbol of the coming together of people on the land of our oldest continually living culture. Each evening she will perform and move through the landscape, inviting children to sit with her and share their hopes and dreams for the future....



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