

Term 3, Week 3



TERM 3	
Week 3	
EDUCATION WEEK	
Tue 6/8	Southern Stars Rehearsal—WEC
	CANTEEN TUESDAY SPECIAL: PIZZA POCKETS
Wed 7/8	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8:45am
Thur 8/8	Edmund Rice Band visit
Fri 9/8	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
	Education Week Assembly and Book Week Parade @ 9:15am
	Superstar Awards Assembly @2:45pm
Week 4	
Tue 13/8	Stage 2 & 3 Cricket program
	Southern Stars Rehearsal - Illawarra Sports Stadium from 9am-3pm
Wed 14/8	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8:45am
Thur 15/8	DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Fri 16/8	DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
	Superstar Awards Assembly @ 2:45pm
Week 5	
BOOK WEEK	
Tue 20/8	Stage 2 & 3 Cricket program
Wed 21/8	School Band Rehearsals in Demountable from 8:00-8:45am
	Southern Stars Rehearsal—WEC
Thurs 22/8	Southern Stars Rehearsal—WEC
Fri 23/8	Music Lessons in Demountable @ 7:45am
	Dance Troupe @ 8am
	Southern Stars Performance
	1/2M Class Assembly and Superstar Awards @ 2pm

Flying Figtree Superstars:

Congratulations to the following

Bronze

Superstar students:

Noah Coppola, Charlotte Manning,
Asha Andrews, Chloe O'Rourke and Levi Steffen

Congratulations to the following

Silver

Superstar students:

Theodore Rainford and Elliot Jackson

Congratulations to the following

Gold

Superstar students:

Brooke Baird

**Superstar wristbands will be awarded at the
Friday August 9th assembly at 2:45pm**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ...

Pearce Anagnostopoulos,
Senuki Habaragamuwa
and Ilona Krizsan



Education Week

Education Week is here! We will be celebrating on **Friday 9 August** and would love to share the celebrations with you. This year we will be also celebrating Book Week at the same time due to Southern Stars taking place in the official Book Week. The theme for Education Week is "Every Student, Every Voice" and the Book Week theme is "Reading is my Secret Power".

9:15 - 11:00 Main Assembly and Book Parade—Under the new COLA

11:00 - 12:00 BBQ lunch!

12:00 - 12:30 Classroom Visits

12:30 - 1:30 National Tree (Shrub!) Planting

You are invited and
we'd love to see
you! 😊

Please make sure your sausage sizzle orders have been sent in so we can cater for you. See you Friday!

National Tree (Shrub!) Planting

For our shrub planting it would be great if you could just bring gloves, shovels and small shrubs, ground cover, succulents or flowers that are shade tolerant. Another option is to assist with the start of our vegie garden with seedlings such as tomatoes, capsicums or cucumbers. If nothing else bring yourself and join in!

1D Drama Superstars!

Today I was fortunate to be able to watch 1D at their dress rehearsal for the South Coast Drama Festival in which they are performing tonight. Unfortunately I have a prior commitment and can't make the evening performance but if you are attending, you are in for a treat. Mrs Cameron has done a fantastic job of creating some drama superstars in her class. Good luck tonight 1D...not that you'll need it!

Lake Illawarra North Network Awards

On Thursday I, along with a number of other staff members, will be attending the Lake Illawarra North Network Awards. At this ceremony staff and community members are recognised for their commitment to Public Education. Schools were able to nominate candidates and it was definitely not a case of all nominated being successful. However, in the case of Mrs Grogan the nomination was successful and I'm proud to say she will be recognised at this ceremony for the work she does. A very well-deserved award for a very humble recipient.

Audit Outcome and Implications for Volunteers

Our school was audited last week and an area that has been identified as needing improving is that around security checks of volunteers. Regulations changed last year enabling parents that volunteer in their child's school (in classrooms, the canteen etc) to no longer need a completed Working With Children Check. Instead, they are required to fill out what is called an Appendix 5 form and show 100 points of identification to the school office. Thank you to the parents who have already returned these forms, which were sent home at the beginning of the year. However, most are outstanding and need to be completed as soon as possible. If you require more information, or a new form, please see the office.

Current Illness

Thank you for your understanding over the last week in regards to keeping unwell children home. We have been following the advice we were given and have been sending students home who complain of feeling sick and are aware that this is often inconvenient.

Due to the circumstances staff are also being advised to stay home if they too are unwell which, as you can imagine, has implications for us at school. Therefore we apologise if RFF is changed at short notice as a result. Please assure your children that they will in no way be in trouble for being in school uniform when doing sport. Daily messages are also announced to classes to assist keeping students informed.

Hopefully this bout of illness will pass shortly.

Too Sick to go to School?

We have been notified of a recurring need of worming treatment for some students. As with head lice, schools are common places for such incidents. Please be mindful of this and treat if in any doubt. We will continue to remind our students about the importance of washing hands and hope you can reinforce this message at home.

Attached is a link to information on the Department's internet on various communicable illnesses including suggested time off school that may assist in advice to parents.

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

Have a good day!

Rae Redfern
Principal



Superstar Students

Spelling Bee

Last Thursday we had our Stage 2 and Stage 3 Premier's Spelling Bee final. Well done to all of our finalists who participated! It was a wonderful event with some very talented spellers!

A huge congratulations to our finalists Lewis Andrews, Theodore Rainford, Lenny Atsas and Eva Davey who will represent Figtree Heights Public School at the Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Finals at Austinmer Public School on Monday 9 September.



Superstar Student

In the first week of term Annabel attended the Junior State Music Camp. This camp is for students in grades 5-8. Annabel got to play 1st flute in the symphony orchestra.

Last week Annabel performed at the Sydney Opera House twice, with the Junior State Wind Band. This band was made up of 57 students from 46 schools across the state. They rehearsed for 2 full days, getting ready for their performances.

It was a great experience for Annabel.



FIGGY HEIGHTS FATHERS

Term 3 Event

'Dads Do Drop Off' Breakfast BBQ

Friday 30 August, Week 6

7:30 - 9:00am

Food orders due by Friday 23 August (Week 5)

Coffee van present between 7:30 and 8:30am

I hope to see many of you then!

Yours in fatherhood,

Nikolaj Nielsen

FIGGY HEIGHTS FATHERING TIPS

Be Complimentary

For dads with daughters:

- Listen, even when you're afraid to hear what they want to tell you.
- Don't boomerang the discussion back to yourself.
- Try and see the situation from her perspective, whether it's a school, friends or family issue. Ask yourself what it would be like to be in her shoes.
- Become curious about their interests and music. Look for ways to connect through shared interests.
- Ask her questions, about anything, and don't solve, criticise or judge.

DAD
JOKES

***What do you call an elephant
who doesn't matter?***

An irrelephant





Rehearsals for Southern Stars 2019 **COME ALIVE** are in full swing, with public school students taking part in a wide range of dance, music, drama and vocal rehearsals around the Illawarra - and the state.

COME ALIVE, featuring 3000 public school students, will take place over four performances at the WIN Entertainment Centre in Wollongong on Friday August 23 (10am and 7.30pm) and Saturday August 24 (2pm and 7.30pm).

This year **COME ALIVE** features circus, the NSW Millennial Marching Band, 2000 dancers, a 600 strong choir, a full orchestra, our hugely popular boys vocal ensemble, the Aboriginal Dance Ensemble Yanggaa Garaba, and the amazing talents of the best featured student vocalists and performers in Southern NSW, and much, much more!

You don't have to know someone in the show to buy a ticket. Southern Stars is a world-class arena spectacular show which is suitable for all ages, and most of all is entertainment at its finest. Buy your tickets now before they sell out!

Remember to purchase your tickets **ONLY** through the registered ticket seller - Ticketmaster at: www.ticketmaster.com.au

You can keep up to date with the show's progress with pictures and video from rehearsals uploaded daily to our:

- * Facebook page **Southern Stars – The Arena Spectacular**; and
- * Instagram page at **southernstarsarenaspectacular**.



The beauty products recycling program has now closed, but a new bread bag clip program is up and running. I will be collecting for both this and the dental waste program using the one collection bin in the office (co-mingled recycling). For every kilo of waste recycled through this program Kwik Lok will be donating \$1 to Keep Australia Beautiful, in addition to the points for waste program that we can turn into cash for the school if we meet the minimum waste threshold.

RECYCLE YOUR BREAD BAG CLOSURES!

Every year, many thousands of used bread bag closures end up in landfills across Australia.

The Bread Bag Closure Recycling Program allows us to collect and recycle these closures, preventing them from ending up in landfill.

For every kilogram of used bread bag closures collected through the program, \$1 will be donated to Keep Australia Beautiful, a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to a litter-free and sustainable Australia.



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The value of the fortnight is...

Responsibility

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



Community News

What is Due and When?

What	When
School Magazine (s/s) \$10	End Term 3
Mathletics (s/s) \$26	End Term 3
MathsOnline (s/s) \$10	End Term 3
Reading Eggs (s/s) \$24	End Term 3
Spelling Mastery	End Term 3
Dance Troupe Costume (s/s)	End Term 3
Stage 2 Camp (s/s)	16/8/19
Stage 3 "Enviro" Excursion (s/s)	19/8/19
Stage 3 Camp (s/s)	20/9/19

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 7/08	Atared Latif & Asmaa Moussi
Friday 9/08	Karen Polhill, Sarah Snelson & Jordan McDougall
Monday 12/08	Sonya DeBruyn & Tracy Ji

Book Club

Bookclub Issue 5 closes Sunday 18th August 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.



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 1.5c + 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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Offer ends midnight (AEST) 08/08/19. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.



DOUBLE DELIGHT FOR ACTIVE KIDS

Thanks to the Active Kids vouchers local kids are keeping active while their parents are keeping the cash.

I am so pleased to advise that from **01 July 2019** each school-enrolled child will now be able to access **two \$100 Active Kids vouchers** per year.

The money will help you pay registration costs for sport and recreation, so that your kid(s) can participate and stay active all year-round.

Families across the region keep telling me how much the Active Kids Vouchers help them manage the cost of living. Now with **two Active Kids \$100 vouchers** per school enrolled child, you can keep even more money in your back pocket while your kid(s) stay happy and healthy.

Since the Active Kids program was launched in 2018, more than one million vouchers have been redeemed and more than \$100 million saved by NSW families.

It is a big win for NSW when more kids can participate in sport because of the Government's drive to take down the barriers to expensive registration costs.

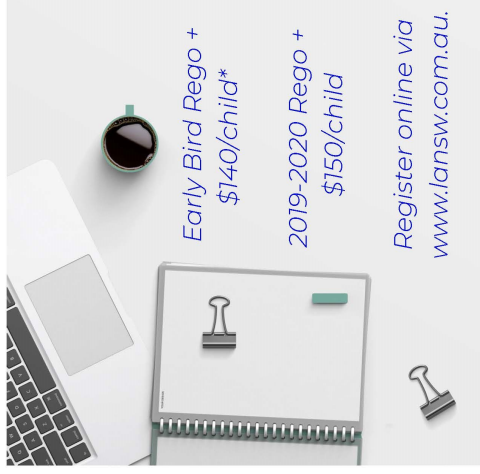
Whether it is soccer, scouts, AFL, rugby, netball, golf or volleyball, you're sure to find an activity your kid(s) will love. Active Kids really is making a difference to children's participation in sport and active recreation in NSW.

From January – June there was an overall increase of 13 per cent in the number of Active Kids' vouchers created, including a 17 per cent rise in vouchers created for girls following an influx of registrations for dance, gymnastics, tennis and swimming Active Kids providers.

These are incredible results and demonstrate why the NSW Government is investing an additional \$40 million this year to expand the Active Kids program."

From 01 July, parents of school-enrolled children can access a second \$100 Active Kids voucher to use towards registration and membership fees for sport and active recreation each year. For further information visit sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids or call 13 13 02.

GARETH WARD MP
Member for Kiama



Early Bird Rego +
\$140/child*

2019-2020 Rego +
\$150/child

Register online via
www.lansw.com.au.

WWW.WCLA.ORG.AU

Registration Dates

Sunday 11 August 11am-1pm

Friday 24 August 5:30-7pm

Friday 30 August 5:30-7pm

**If you have any questions
email wcla.org@gmail.com**

*Early Bird Rego ends 10 August at 11:59pm
+ Uniforms are required at an additional cost

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LITTLE ATHLETICS**

Season
2019-2020

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Fridays at 5:15pm
Season starts 20 Sept 2019
Season ends 13 March 2020

