

# Term 1, Week 3



2021 TERM 1	
Week 3	
Tue 9/02	SWIMMING CARNIVAL (for Students turning 8 years or older in 2021)
Wed 10/02	Kindergarten Parent Information Session @ 4pm
Week 4	
Tue 16/02	Stage 2 Parent Information Session @ 3:15pm in 3/4B room
Wed 17/02	Scripture commences
	P&C Meeting. 6:30-8pm
Thur 18/02	Stage 1 Parent Information Session @3:15pm in your child's classroom
	DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Fri 19/02	Steps Vision Screening for Kindergarten students
Week 8	
Wed 17/03	P&C Meeting. 6:00-6:30pm 2020 AGM( deferred from 2020).
Week 10	
Thur 1/04	Last day of term



SCHOLASTIC

Book Clubs

Every Child Deserves a Good Book

Bookclub Issue 1 closes Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2021

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.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
TO YOU ...**

Hendrix B-B., Violet K., Millie H-D.,  
Oliver E-J., Layla C. and Aisha R.



## Swimming Carnival

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to do a job at our carnival, we will see you at the pool nice and early! Students will be meeting under our small COLA at 8:30am to get the bus at 8:40am, hopefully with us ready to start the first race at 9:10am. All volunteers will need to be signed in on our sheet as we are required to provide the pool with a list of all adults attending the day. Ms Wyman or myself will be stationed near the entry to the pool with the sign on sheet. Unfortunately if you are not a volunteer (who's name is on the sheet) you will be unable to attend the carnival.

A good question was asked about our carnival that I thought I would share in case you were wondering the same thing.

Q: Can I transport my own child rather than pay \$6?

A: The \$6 is actually to assist pay for the bus, the pool hire and equipment hire. The actual cost is already subsidised by the school so we can make it as affordable as we can. The cost is always worked out based on the number of students we have, meaning if not all contribute then we will have to increase the cost to help cover the expenses. Therefore, even if parents provide transport the cost of attending is still \$6 per student. We do prefer they travel with us so we know they will be there when we arrive (in case we are running late) and that they will be leaving when we do (in case the person picking is running late). Should you need financial assistance for this, or any other school event, please contact the office and they will provide you with a Student Assistance form. It is a very easy process.

We still have a number of families who are yet to pay, so please send this in as soon as possible as we will have invoices to sort out soon.

## Academically Gifted Class

Congratulations to Imogene Anderson who was successful in obtaining a placement in the Academically Gifted Class at Wollongong Public School. Sadly this means Imogene is no longer at our school but we wish her all the best!

## Drop Off and Pick Up Changes

Now that everyone is settling into school routines we are back to all students being dropped off and picked up at the gate rather than being escorted in, regardless of their grade.

While our Kindergarten students are being dismissed at 2:30pm they will all be escorted to the front gate on St Georges Ave.

Please remember all visitors to our school must enter via the front office (except for Parent Information Meetings) where you will need to sign in using a QR code for the Health Department, our sign in book and Covid form. If you need to speak to a teacher definitely feel free to make an appointment (or we can arrange a phone call) but we ask that you don't take yourself straight to your child's classroom before or after school as we need a record of all adults on site.

## Birthday Day Treats

Even in such strange times birthdays are a big deal for many students. We have found ways around the restrictions (that we are getting use to living with) to assist them celebrate! Rather than home made cup cakes can you please send in wrapped options that can be easily shared. This may be store bought mini cup cakes, or even Freddo Frogs. Nut free options are still necessary. Thank you for your understanding.

# From the desk of the Principal

## Parent Information Sessions

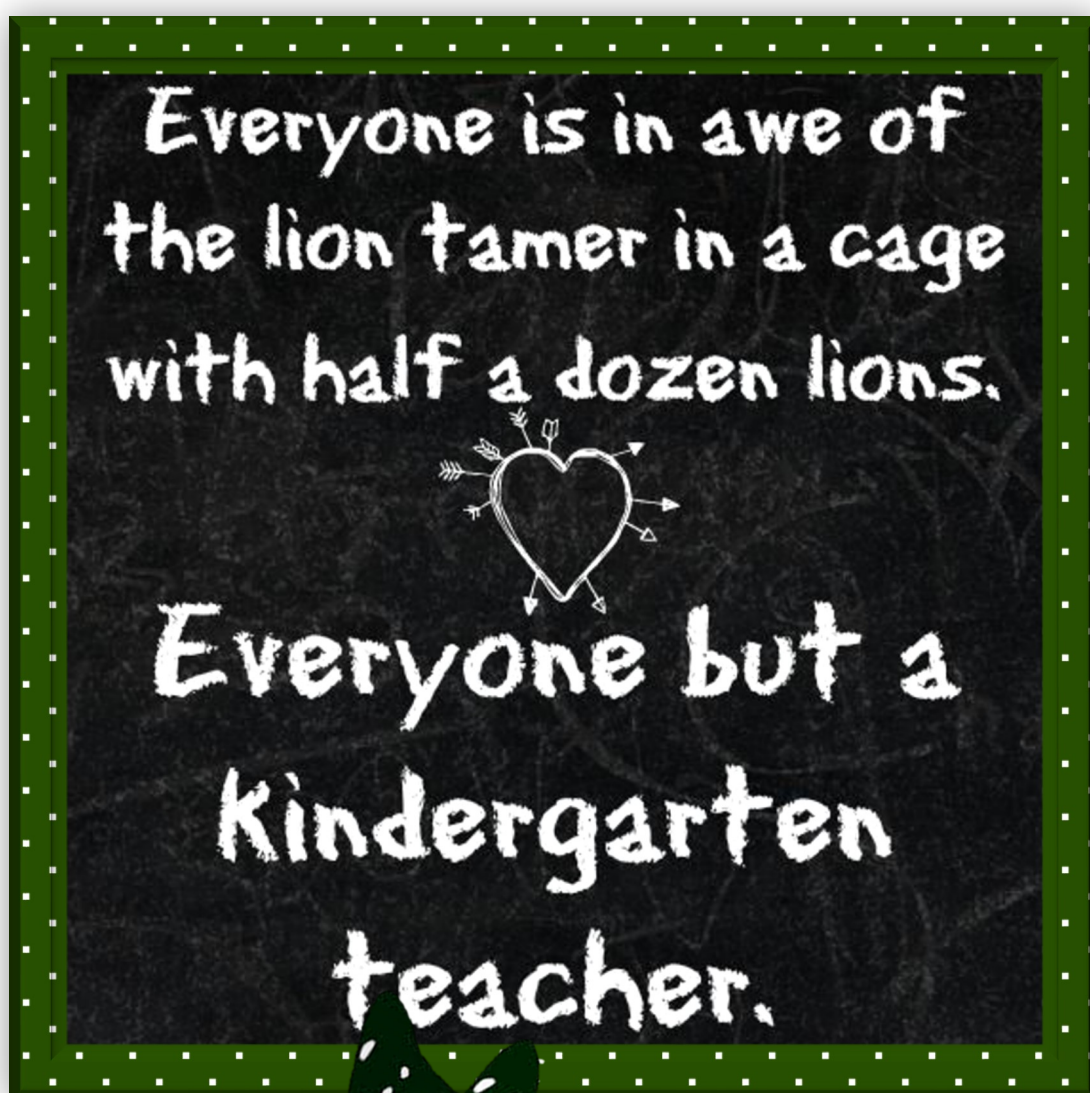
We are still able to run these sessions, but with restricted numbers. Each stage will be sending home a note in regards to how, when and where their sessions will run. As we are limited on how many people we can have in a room, students are not to attend and only one adult per family. A QR code will be at each location as well as a sign on sheet to make this process as easy as possible.

## Music Information

The Conservatorium High School (in Sydney) is holding auditions talented music student considering placement in 2022. Applications are now open and will close on 25 June. Go to <https://conhigh.nsw.edu.au/2022-entry-application> .

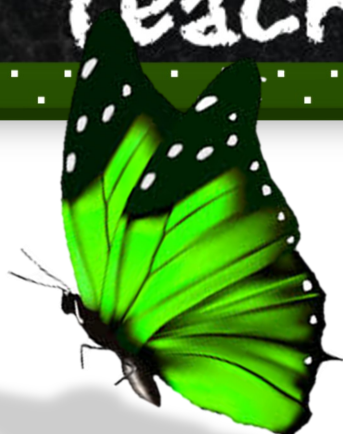
## Last Word

As our new Kindergarten students settle in (very quickly actually!), this one is for Mrs Pirie and Miss Janeska....of whom we are in awe.



Have a good week!

*Rae Redfern*  
Principal



8 February 2021

### 2021 Meeting Dates

Our 2021 meeting dates are listed below, please add them to your calendar. General Meetings are held each term providing an opportunity to find out what is happening within the school community, here updates from our Committees (including OOSH and Canteen), help plan future projects, and hear from our School Principal. Meetings are open to everyone so please consider attending.

#### General Meetings

**Wednesday 6.30 pm - 8 pm**

**Term 1: 17th February (Week 4) & 17th March\* (Week 8)**

**Term 2: 26th May\*\* (Week 6)**

**Term 3: 18th August (Week 6)**

**Term 4: 27th October (Week 4) & 24th November (Week 8)**

\* 2020 AGM (deferred from 2020) 6pm - 6.30pm

\*\* 2021 AGM (including election of Executive and Committees roles) 6pm - 6.30pm

To play an active part in meetings, including the ability to vote on important decisions, it is vital that you become a member.

**FHPS** | **Parents & Citizens Association**

*become a*  
**MEMBER**

[www.tiny.cc/FHPSPCMembership](http://www.tiny.cc/FHPSPCMembership)

February is Membership Month and we invite all members to renew your membership now. If you are a parent/guardian of a Figtree Heights Public School pupil, a staff member or citizen within the school community I would like to invite you to join Figtree Heights Public School P&C as a member. You can complete your membership online at [www.tiny.cc/FHPSPCMembership](http://www.tiny.cc/FHPSPCMembership) or forms can be accessed in the school office.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a member or the upcoming meetings please contact one of the Executive Team (listed below).

Sincerely,



**Stuart Wilkinson**

President

#### EXECUTIVE

President: STUART WILKINSON 0410 687 157

Vice President: BROOKE BRIDGE 0419 282 243

Treasurer: RADA MULHERE 0408 312 969

#### SUB COMMITTEES

OOSH Convenor: JON PERVICIL 0431 097 953

Canteen Convenor: ERIN VASILIOU 0425 351 490





# Canteen News

The canteen will reopen from Monday of Week 5 (1st March). It will be open for orders and lunch service Monday, Wednesday and Fridays.

The canteen menu for 2021 is attached.

Just a reminder that Friday orders are Flexischools only. Below you will find information on Flexischools.

If you would like to volunteer in the canteen please complete the form attached to the newsletter.



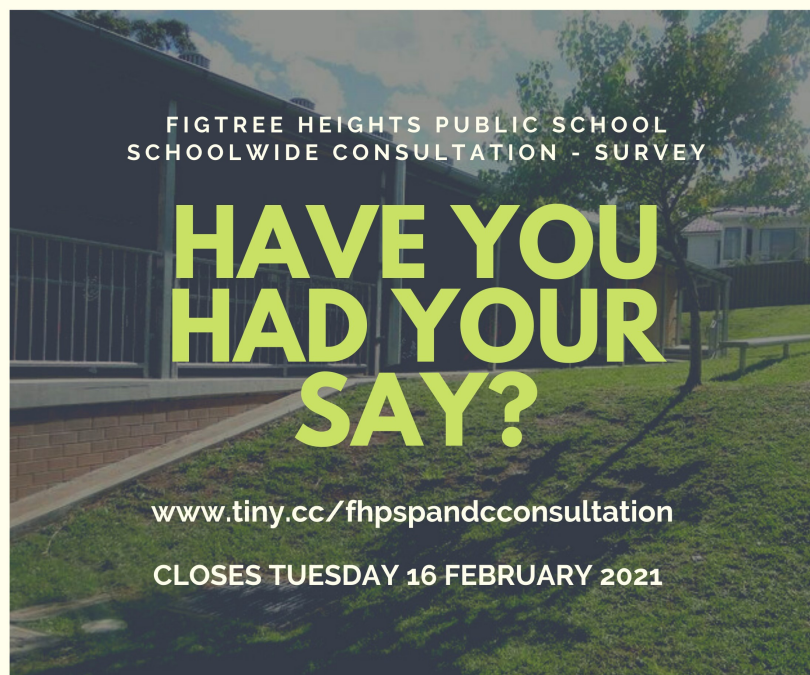
## Place all your canteen orders online with Flexischools

Flexischools is a well-established organisation allowing you to easily place all your canteen orders online at any time.

Download the Flexischools app from the App store or Google Play for details on how to set up your account [How do I register for a Flexischools account?](#)

Once registered, you can start placing orders immediately. If you have any questions, please visit our FAQ's <https://community.flexischools.com.au/s/>

We hope this step forward will support families with a more convenient and efficient process of placing canteen orders.





# Figtree Heights Public School

## Canteen Menu 2021

### *Making healthy choices*

Remember: **Flexischool Fridays**  
Online orders only on Fridays. Thanks for your cooperation.

#### Snacks

Cheese Triangles (1/2 slice)	\$0.30
Popcorn	\$1.00
Pikelets	\$0.30
Grainwaves: Sour cream & chives	\$1.50
Red Rock Deli Chips: Sea salt	\$1.50
Corn Cobette	\$0.50

#### Frozen Fruit

Frozen Orange Wedges	\$0.10
Frozen Watermelon	\$0.30

#### Drinks

Bottled Water	\$0.80
Big M Flavoured Milk: Strawberry, choc	\$1.20
100% Juice: Orange, Apple, Blackcurrant	\$1.20
LOL/Juice Bomb: Flavoured mineral water: various flavours	\$2.00

#### Frozen Treats

Frozen fruit cups	\$0.80
Mony (Chocolate & Sour blue raspberry)	\$1.00
Quelch fruit Stick	\$0.50
Juicie Tube	\$1.00

If you need a lunch bag just send your order in an envelope and add 30c OR **ORDER ONLINE!**



Items will be prepared as described. No changes or substitutions will be accepted. Please do not place our volunteers in a difficult position by requesting.

#### Sandwiches/Wraps

All sandwiches are served on wholemeal bread. Wraps (+50c) and Gluten free bread (+50c) also available.

Vegemite	\$1.20
Cheese	\$1.30
Cheese & Vegemite	\$1.50
Cheese & tomato	\$1.50
Cheese & salad	\$2.00
Ham	\$2.00
Ham and Cheese	\$2.20
Ham, cheese and Tomato	\$2.30
Ham, cheese & Salad *	\$2.50
Side Salad	\$1.50
Any sandwich or wrap toasted	FREE

\* Salad consists of Lettuce, Tomato, cucumber and carrot

#### Meals/Hot Food

Spaghetti Bolognese	\$4.00
Beef Lasagne	\$4.00
Macaroni & Cheese	\$4.00
Beef Pie	\$3.00
Sausage Roll (120g)	\$3.00
Chicken Fingers	\$3.00
Chicken Finger wrap w mayo & salad*	\$4.00
Fried Rice (V, GF)	\$4.00
Chicken Burger W lettuce and Mayo	\$4.00
Beef Burger w cheese, lettuce & tomato	\$4.00
Cheese Burger – beef, cheese & sauce	\$4.00
Baked Beans and Toast	\$3.00
Corn Cobette	\$0.50
Sauce Portion	\$0.20

\* Salad consists of Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber and Carrot

## Volunteering for the school canteen in 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

The P&C Canteen Committee are asking for volunteers to help in our canteen. The roster will commence from February 2021 and will run until December 2021.

**The canteen hours are as follows:**  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00am to 12:00pm (approx)

**These canteen opening times are subject to sufficient volunteers to enable the roster to be filled.**

No experience is necessary for canteen duty. Just a day or two a term of your time is needed to deliver this service to our children. Mums, dads, carers, aunts, uncles and grandparents are most welcome to volunteer, we just need you to complete 100 points of identification through the school office.

The more volunteers we have the less frequent your roster days will be, so please consider adding one canteen day a month to your calendar. Without parent help it would be impossible to give our children this service.

If it is difficult for you to commit yourself on a regular basis, please consider volunteering as an emergency contact for the odd day that needs filling, or volunteering an hour to help out on our busiest day, Friday. You can also nominate to be included in our canteen volunteers closed group on Facebook. This will allow you to see when we are short of volunteers and fill in as you are able.

Please fill in the form below indicating your first and second preference and send it back to the office as soon as possible.

The P&C Canteen Committee greatly appreciates all those volunteering their services for the year.

Thank you

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### 2021 Canteen Duty

Volunteer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (M): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Child/ren Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class/s: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help in the canteen on the following day(s) each month. Please indicate.

Week of the term	Monday 9.00 – 12.00	Wednesday 9.00 – 12.00	Friday 9.00 – 12.00
Week 1			
Week 2			
Week 3			
Week 4			
Week 5			
Week 6			
Week 7			
Week 8			
Week 9			
Week 10			
Week 11 – Term 1 only			

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- ☐ I would like to be placed as an Emergency contact: Day(s) Available: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I would like to be rostered on canteen with: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I would like to be included in the canteen volunteers Facebook group: FB profile \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I would like to be rostered on canteen on the same day as in 2020: **(existing volunteers)**



# Community News

## LIBRARY AFTER HOURS



**WHERE**  
Corrimal Library  
15 Short Street

**WHEN**  
5:30pm-7:30pm  
Thursday 18 February  
Thursday 15 April  
Thursday 17 June  
Thursday 19 August  
Thursday 21 October  
Thursday 16 December

**WHERE**  
Wollongong Library  
41 Burelli Street

**WHEN**  
6:15pm – 8:15pm  
Friday 19 March  
Friday 21 May  
Friday 16 July  
Friday 17 September  
Friday 19 November

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**  
Book online via our website or  
Eventbrite

For more information please call:  
Corrimal Library - (02) 4227 8179  
Wollongong Library - (02) 4227 7414

Wollongong City Libraries is proud to host:

### LIBRARY AFTER HOURS

A free session for families living with autism or other sensory needs which includes a range of fun children's activities, borrowing, or just chilling out. Explore collections, activities and get a sneak peak 'behind the scenes' after hours.

You can participate in as many or as few activities as you like, or just visit the library.



**WOLLONGONG  
CITY LIBRARIES**

[www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/library](http://www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/library)

*Your library your place*

## FIGTREE JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB

Figtree Junior Soccer Club is the club for all ages and all abilities to play soccer in a safe and friendly environment. Whether it is social or competitive teams you are looking for, we have a team to suit.

All our coaches aim to make soccer fun and to develop every single player.

Registration for the 2021 Soccer Season opens on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

Check out our website <https://figtreefc.majestri.com.au> for more details or drop us an email at [juniors@figtreefc.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:juniors@figtreefc.onmicrosoft.com)



## COOL KIDS - TAKING CONTROL

Does your child  
experience bullying  
and anxiety?

Are they aged  
between 7 and 12?



For more  
information



[takingcontrol@mq.edu.au](mailto:takingcontrol@mq.edu.au)  
[www.coolkidstakingcontrol.com.au](http://www.coolkidstakingcontrol.com.au)

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MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY