What's Happening at the Heights?

This Week:
- Mon 9: PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- Fri 13: Tea Towel orders due
- Last day for Book Club (Issue 4) orders

Next Week:
- Tues 17: ICAS Spelling Assessment for students who applied in T1
- Wed 18: 3/4PR Assembly 2pm in the hall
- Re-scheduled

Reminders
- P&C Voluntary contribution $50 per family. Cash, cheque or direct debit.
- BSB: 062644
- Account No: 00900425
- Tea towel fundraiser orders & payment due 13/6/14
- Unwanted Entertainment Books to be returned to school now please.
- Re-usable lunch bag orders & payment due 26/6/14

Tuesday 10th June
Week 7 Term 2

Message from the Principal

Student Achievements:
A special congratulations to Tayla Ward from Year 6. Tayla has been selected as one of the soloists for the Southern Stars Core Choir. Well done Tayla! We can’t wait to see you perform.

Congratulations to the Boys Soccer Knockout Team who played Nareena Hills last week in round 1 of the PSSA Knockout. Although we were unsuccessful in qualifying for the second round, the boys had a great time showing their soccer skills on the field.

Reports and Parent Interviews:
Over the past few weeks teachers have been busy finalising assessments and writing comments, ready to hand out first Semester reports to students. This week, students will be bringing home “request for interview” slips from teachers. Please fill out these forms and return to your child’s teacher as a.p.p. Selection of interview time will be on a “first in best dressed” format, however, teachers will do their best to accommodate all parents.

Crazy Hair Day
To help support the Figtree Heights School phone app, we will be holding a Crazy Hair Day in week 9. To participate, students can style their hair as “crazy” as they like. Each student that participates is required to make a gold coin donation to go towards the continued running of our very successful app. I can’t wait to see what creations we have this year! More information will be available soon.

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C Meeting was scheduled to be held Wednesday 18th June at 6:30pm. However, it has been re-scheduled for the following Wednesday 25th June at 6:30. Meetings will now take place in Mrs Thurston’s 5/6T room. At this meeting we will be discussing our vision to move Figtree Heights towards 21st Century learning, 3/4D classroom, OOSH, Village Fair and special guest speaker Cindy Russell will be taking us through her “Be Unreal” program which will be implemented K-6 in Term 3. Please remember FREE child minding is available. As always, it would be great to see you there!

School Playground
As mentioned last week, I am looking for some creative ideas to make our school playground a place where our students can use their imagination. A handful of parents have shared some wonderful ideas, if you have not yet made your suggestion, please flick me an email or pop in and share your thoughts.

That is all from the Principal’s desk this week!
Kind regards,
Skye Hayward

“Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss you’ll land among the stars”
Kindergarten 2015

Figtree Heights Public School is accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2015. Contact the school to receive an ‘in-area’ or ‘out-of-area’ Expression of Interest form. Please pass this information on to neighbours in our area who have children starting school in 2015.

Ph: 4228 6555  E: figtreehts-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Special Congratulations!

Well done to two of our hockey superstars - Bailey Craft and Isaac Maris!! Bailey and Isaac represented the Illawarra Region in hockey over the long weekend. Battling the cold Canberra climate, their team played seven games over three days emerging victorious as the Under 11’s CHAMPIONS! Great effort boys!!!

Child Safety

Safety of our children is of the utmost importance for our school. Lately there have been a handful of incidents in the Illawarra regarding suspicious looking cars around Primary Schools. Please take this time to speak to your child about "Stranger Danger" as we are doing here at school.

Now is a great opportunity to ensure your child waits to be picked up in a safe area inside our school grounds. Many teachers are out and about the playground of an afternoon; however, there are some areas that are less visible. Children should wait outside their classroom, under the COLA or in an area decided upon by a parent.

Ensuring your child enters the school ground of a morning is also important. It has come to our attention that a few students are hanging around outside the school fence and not coming straight into school. Please ensure you again mention this to your child as we are here at school also.

Permission Notes & Payments for School Activities

Thank you to families for sending in permission notes and payment for school activities by the due date. (check out 'Reminders' on page 1).

Permission notes must be received by the class teacher before the activity.

Permission notes are to be sent to the students’ class teacher. If payment is with another student please write on the permission note ‘payment with (name & class)’.

This system informs the class teacher and school office that the student has permission to attend the activity and how the payment has arrived at school.

Receipts and change will be sent home within a few days of receiving the payment.

SILVER Value Wristband Awardees

Congratulations to the following student who will be receiving their SILVER wristband this Wednesday at morning assembly.

3/4N: Eliza Harvey
AN INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENT!

BRONZE Value Wristband Awardees

Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving their bronze wristband this Wednesday:

KS: Piper Godfrey; KP: Chevy O’Connor; 1W: Sonny Morris, Jacob Hosking, Khye Forrester;
1/2M: Jack Tully, Ebony Pascoe, Jayda Brain, Sarahm Gibbon, Poppy Tomczynski, Carter O’Connor;
2O: Elliott Rainford, Lachlan Anderson; 3/4N: James Buxton;
3/4D: Abigail Jones, Charlotte Neill; 5L: Isaac Maris, Samuel Pelekanos;
5/6T: Hamish Cock, Jade Frankham
WELL DONE!
Happy Birthday to the following students........
Nathaniel B, Erin E, Karly F & Grace L

School Phone App
We now have all newsletters, information notes and photos from various events being updated regularly onto this app. Our school calendar will be updated this week so don’t forget to take a look.

To download our school phone app go to the App Store on iTunes (Google Play for Android users), search for Figtree Heights and simply download.
Username: community
Password: figtreetbps
Please make sure you allow notifications from Figtree Heights in your phone’s control settings.

School Newsletter
We are asking all families to return the note that went home regarding our school newsletter and our school phone app. To help move our school towards being "paperless" please send the surveys back to school a.s.a.p.

If you would like to receive your school newsletter by email, please forward your email address to: figtreeths-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and we will add you to our mailing list.

Canteen News:
The canteen is running a re-usable lunch bag fundraiser. An information and order form accompanies this newsletter.

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P&C News
P&C Voluntary Contribution
Please remember to pay your P&C Voluntary Contribution for 2014. The amount is $50 per family and can be sent in as cash or cheque (made payable to FHPS P&C) or direct debited into the P & C account.
BSB: 062644 Account No: 00900425
Receipts will be issued with as soon as possible.

Uniform Shop
Uniform Shop: is open Monday mornings from 8.30am – 9am for sales and fittings. Orders with payment can be dropped into the office anytime and the uniform co-ordinator will completed the order the following Monday and deliver your order to your child via the classroom.

Keiraville Pre-School
Keiraville Pre-school is requesting donations of funds to assist in well needed renovations to their community-based pre-school. If you would like to help the information is on our Community Noticeboard.

Primary Ethics
Please remember there are opportunities for you to become a trained Ethics teacher. If you are interested in training as an Ethics teacher or would like more information on Primary Ethics at Figtree Heights please contact Amanda Bowen at figtreetheightsspethics@outlook.com
More information is on the school noticeboard outside the front office.

KEEP CALM AND HAVE A GREAT WEEK!