



# FIGTREE HIGH SCHOOL

## PARENT BULLETIN

Term 4 Week 1, 13 October, 2017

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T4 Week 2	Week 2 Starting 16 October
Monday 16/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 11 - Meeting - Subject changes for Yr 12
Tuesday 17/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 10 - Geography Assessment Task Year 9 - Links to Learning
Wednesday 18/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 10 - PDHPE Assessment Task due Year 8 - Semester 2 Examination
Thursday 19/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 8 - Semester 2 Examination Stage 4 Maths Enrichment Program
Friday 20/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 10 - ITT Task Year 9 - AIME Excursion Year 8 - AIME Excursion Year 7 - Zone Gala Day
T4 Week 3	Week 3 Starting 23 October
Monday 23/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 9 - Yearly Science Exam Year 9 - French Listening & Reading Assess.
Tuesday 24/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 10 - History Source Analysis Task Year 9 - Links to Learning Year 9 - Yearly Science Exam
Wednesday 25/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 9 - Yearly Science Exam
Thursday 26/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 9 - Yearly Science Exam Stage 4 Maths Enrichment Program
Friday 27/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 9 - Yearly Science Exam
T4 Week 4	Week 4 Starting 30 October
Monday 30/10/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 7 - French Listening & Reading Assess.
	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 10 - Geography Assessment Task Year 10 - Yearly Science Exam Year 9 - Links to Learning
Wednesday 1/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations
Thursday 2/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations
Friday 3/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 10 - Elective History Task Year 10 - ITT Task

T4 Week 5	Week 5 Starting 6 November
Monday 6/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 7 - Vaccinations
Tuesday 7/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 9 - Links to Learning
Wednesday 8/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations
Thursday 9/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 12 - Sign Out Day Stage 4 Maths Enrichment Program
Friday 10/11/17	Year 12 - HSC Examinations Year 11 - Reports Issued
Year 12 Purple Year 11 Olive Year 10 Blue Year 9 Red Year 8 Green Year 7 Orange	



### Thoughts from the Principal

Welcome to Term 4.

We finished Term 3 farewelling our Year 12 Graduating Class of 2017. We enjoyed joining with over 700 family, friends and staff at their Graduation to celebrate the end of their schooling. As a school community, we wish Year 12 all the very best in their coming HSC examination period and in life beyond school. It has been a pleasure watching them grow, and our school is richer for their time with us.

A greatly loved staff member also finished at the end of last term. Mr Peter Simmonds invested into the lives of students at our school for his entire career. He taught French and German, was a Year Adviser three times over, coordinated Positive Behaviour for Learning and gave so much more. He will be sorely missed but we wish him well in his well-earned retirement.

It was a pleasure inducting our new student leadership team at the Year 12 Graduation and I welcome our new Captains - Meghan Fox and Joshua Panayiotou, and our Vice Captains - Payton Williams, Georgia Wilson, Campbell Fulcher and Jayden Smileski. I am excited about working with this team in the coming

We extend our congratulations to Mrs Alicia Szoboszlay. She was selected as the Head Teacher Creative and Performing Arts to relieve for Mr Hewitt. Ms Szoboszlay comes to us with a wealth of experience as a Head Teacher CAPA at her last two schools. We warmly welcome her and thank Mr Malouf for his leadership of the CAPA team for the last two terms.

Finally, we congratulate the Open Boys Baseball Team for their silver medal in the State Championships, runners-up to Westfields Sports High School. An outstanding achievement two years in row. Well done boys and Mr Herbert.

Enjoy reading this edition of our newsletter.

Mrs Karen Burke  
Principal

## PBL Core Values

### WEEK 2: Learning

Stay on task and do your best

### WEEK 3: Respect

When entering and leaving the school, obey community rules and laws

### WEEK 4: Learning

Be an active listener during assembly

### WEEK 5: Respect

Walk quietly in the corridors so that others can continue learning

## Deputy Principal's Report

### Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our school is a positive behaviour for learning school and our values are safety, respect and learning. Part of these values involves meeting our expectations .

### Lateness

An important part of our school day is roll call. It is held at the start of the school day as recording attendance is a legal requirement of the Department of Education. A students attendance record is monitored and reflected on academic reports that can be used for employment purposes and early entry offers to academic

institutions. Positive attendance indicates commitment, ability to follow routines and comply with expectations. At our school a first warning bell for the start of the school day sounds at 8:38am. This is the time students are required to be at school so that they can move to roll call to be seated by 8:40am when another bell sounds and rolls are marked. Students who attend after 8:40am are recorded as late and the day is reflected as a partial attendance day. The school requires a written explanation from a parent for the lateness as well. Please ensure your child attends school by 8:38 am so that they meet attendance requirements.

### Mobile Phones

The advancement in the technology available through smart phones continues to keep us increasingly connected to the world around us and people have an online presence 24/7. When used correctly they are a wonderful tool that keep us connected to friends and family, current affairs, as well as a wealth of information. While technology has a strong role in education, too frequently mobile phones can act as a distraction to learning. The school has a policy that mobile phones are switched off and kept in students bags. If you as a parent need to contact your child during the day, please ring the front office and we will be happy to organise for important information to be passed on.

### Year 11 Change of Subjects

Year 11 have completed their Preliminary Certificate and are now studying Higher School Certificate courses. Some students may choose to alter their program of study by carrying 10 units to the Higher School Certificate or by undertaking an extension subject. For now, this means they are changing the level of English or Mathematics they are studying. Some students have indicated that they would like to drop a subject and study 10 units to the Higher School Certificate. It is imperative that decisions made now do not impact on results at the end of Year 12. The best advice that can be offered to students is to study 12 units to the HSC as statistically these students perform better than those who study 10. Interviews will be conducted with all students who are looking to drop a subject into Year 12. These will not occur until week 4 of this term. Any change to a students program of study needs to be done through the front office. A change of subject form will be available from Mr Trethewy at the end of week 3 of Term 4.

Mr Trethewy  
Deputy Principal Years 7, 9 11

## *CAPA Report*

Figtree High School welcomes a new Head Teacher to our Creative and Performing Arts faculty. Mrs Alicia Szoboszlay joins us to replace Mr Peter Hewitt for a 3 year period. Mrs Szoboszlay brings a wealth of experience across several disciplines of the Creative and Performing Arts to us from her recent teaching, and leading, in the CAPA faculty at Kellyville HS.

We look forward to working, creating, teaching and learning with our new colleague.

It was an extremely productive and exciting Term 3 for Figtree High School Creative and Performing Arts students and staff.

I am honoured to have been involved in the creative projects of our talented and dedicated students, in particular our HSC Visual Arts, Music and Entertainment students, who have produced a wonderful range of works that they can be very proud of. Some of the highlights and other news, appear below.

Mr M Malouf  
Head Teacher, CAPA (Relieving)

### **Stage 4 Art**

Thank you to the CAPA curatorial team who have been hard at work displaying the creative lino prints from Year 7 Visual Arts classes.

These lino prints are on display in the office gallery space and showcase the theme 'In the Garden'. Of course, we don't use real linoleum anymore for the prints. The softer, 'easy-carve' material allows for some intricate designs and (just as importantly) fewer mishaps with the carving tools.

The results from our Year 7 artists are quite spectacular.



### **HSC Students' Visual Arts Exhibition**

CAPA are extremely proud of our talented and dedicated 2017 HSC Visual Arts students.

They have finished their bodies of work for submission and have produced artworks of tremendous quality.

On August 29 Figtree High School showcased these artworks. The exhibition was a celebration of our student's success and attracted a strong attendance at the opening with people rubbing shoulders to view the works.

On display was a variety of outstanding works across many expressive forms including Graphic Design, Painting, Drawing, Photography, Dry-point Etching, Silk Screen Printing, Ceramics, Textile and Fibre Artworks. Students spoke enthusiastically to the Figtree community about their artistic process and the journey's they had undertaken to imagine and create their artworks.

Congratulations to all involved in the exhibition, in particular their teacher, Mrs Sarah Basham.





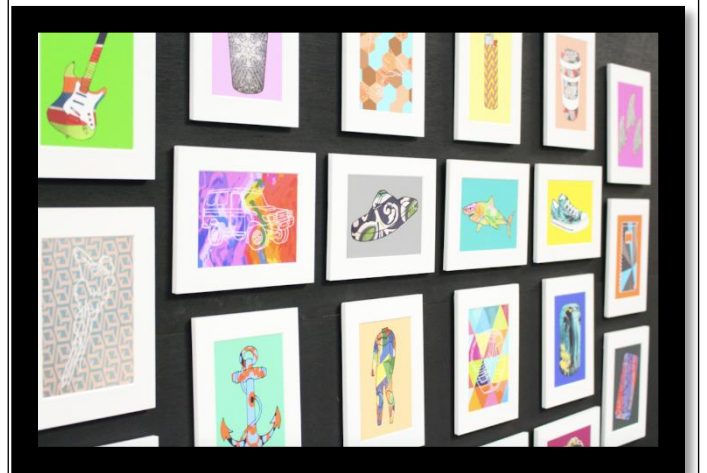
*Amelia Jones.*



*Work by Melinda Vay.*



*Shannon Newman*



*Work by Marcus Faulkner*



*Brittany Angus*



*Brittany Galea's ceramic shopping bags.*



*Chloe Nikolovski.*

### **South Coast Music Camp**

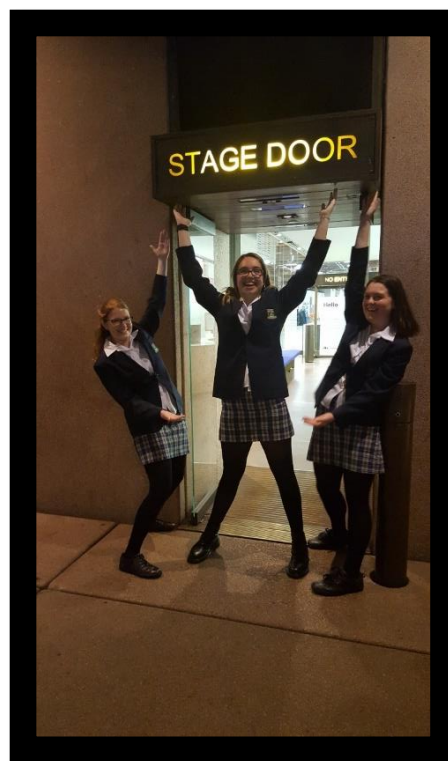
Best wishes to Jessica Nagy (Year 10), Bailey Craft (Year 8) and Bethany Rowan (Year 8) who represented Figtree High School at the Department of Education's South Coast Music Camp. What a way to end the school term!

### **State Choir**

Congratulations to Jessica Nagy (Year 10), Maxine McEwan and Sarah Hubert (Year 9) who represented Figtree High School at the recent Festival of Choral Music at the Sydney Opera House.

The State Choir program provides an opportunity for dedicated and talented choristers to sing challenging repertoire with some of Australia's leading choral directors. The choir meets to rehearse in Sydney for two days before performing on the concert hall stage of the

Sydney Opera House as part of the Festival of Choral Music.



### **South Coast Boys Vocal Program – Male Vocalists Wanted!**

An exciting opportunity currently exists for male vocalists in Years 7-11 to attend a 3 day vocal workshop. The program costs \$66. If you are interested, please come and see Mrs Murphy in the CAPA staffroom.



## Southern Stars Mass Choir and Featured Vocal Ensemble

Congratulations to the following students on their recent performances at 'Postcards' Southern Stars Arena Spectacular. These students have spent a significant amount of time learning lyrics and rehearsing. You all sounded fantastic!

### *Featured Vocal Ensemble:*

Jessica Nagy (Year 10)

### *Mass Choir:*

Sarah Hubert (Year 9)

Nikola Rodic (Year 9)

Maxine McEwan (Year 9)

Lily Jones (Year 8)

Learna-Rose Elton (Year 8)

Taliah Gill (Year 7)

Nadia McGlynn (Year 7)

Emma Smith (Year 7)

Amelie Twyford (Year 7)

Jorja Gosek (Year 7)

Breana Walsh (Year 7)

Riley Hampton (Year 7)

Hayley Asquith (Year 7)



## Year 12 HSC Music

Congratulations to the Year 12 HSC Music class on the completion of their recent HSC practical examinations. The students performed a total of 52 pieces of music from a variety of genres including popular music, rock music and jazz music. A special thank you to Mrs Burke, Mr Malouf, Mr Herbert, and Mrs Murphy for accompanying these students on the day. Best wishes for your HSC Aural Skills examination!



## NSW Public Schools Millennium Marching Band

The NSWPS Millennium Marching Band is looking to build an Illawarra contingent as part of their ensemble in 2018! They are currently looking for instrumentalists (flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone, sousaphone, and drumline) and non-instrumentalists (primarily dancers and vocalists) who may be interested in joining the ensemble as members of the colour guard.

The ensemble rehearses one weekend a month at Cumberland High School. The ensemble performs at a variety of events throughout the year including football games, sporting ceremonies, ANZAC march in Sydney, Operation Art, Schools Spectacular and most recently the Southern Stars 'Postcards' Arena Spectacular. Please visit the website below for further information or see Mrs Murphy in the CAPA staffroom.

## Senior Boys Soccer South Coast Champions!

### Moruya HS v Figtree HS

The South Coast Puma Cup Final was played in South Nowra on Wednesday 23rd August in surprisingly warm winter conditions. Moruya HS pressed early on, narrowly missing on a number of occasions. They eventually opened the scoring through Alex Connolly after 15mins with a low left footed drive into the bottom corner. The momentum then swayed to Figtree HS, with Lachlan Brennan making 5 great saves in the Moruya HS goal to keep Figtree HS from taking the lead. However, on 30mins, Figtree HS equalised through Connor O'Neill, which was quickly followed 2mins later by a tidy finish from Phillip Cancar.

**Half time:** Moruya HS – 1, Figtree HS – 2

The second half started with Figtree HS dominating possession and pushing Moruya HS back into their own half. On 55mins, Emmanuel Hondroudakis unleashed a thunderbolt from 35 metres, going in off the underside of the bar. The game slowed towards the end, with Figtree picking up their fourth goal through Matthew Tschentscher. Figtree running out well deserved victors, however, massive congratulations to Moruya HS who pushed them all the way to the final whistle.

**Full Time:** Moruya HS – 1, Figtree HS – 4



Great sportsmanship was displayed by both teams.



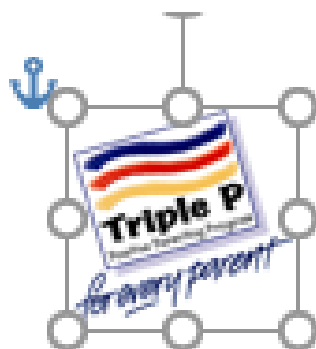
Phillip Cancar was presented with his Player of the Final medal by regional convenor Ryan Trevor.

The victorious Figtree High School team – South Coast Football Champions



**Back Row:** Phil Cancar, Jordan Hondroudakis, Tyren Maclou, Emmanuel Hondroudakis, Connor O'Neill, Matt Tschentscher, Ben Lucas, Gary Smith (coach)

**Front Row:** Travis Anderson, James Gliguroski, Stefan Visnic, Lachlan Pattman, Victor Hatzimanolis, Julio Mushaba



# POSITIVE PARENTING

Illawarra, Shoalhaven Local Health District and Family Support Illawarra are pleased to present a positive parenting seminar series. (Triple-p). Triple-p promotes Positive Parenting. Positive Parenting is an approach to parenting which aims to promote children's development and manage children's behaviour in a constructive way. Triple-p offers information, support and practical answers to every day parenting concerns.

**When:** Commencing Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
For 3 consecutive Fridays 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> October

**Time:** 10:30am to 12:30 noon

**Where:** CHAIN - 1A Denison Street  
Wollongong NSW 2500

**Contact:** Ph: 42265816  
Bookings essential  
childcare available  
food provided

**Triple P Web Site:** [www1.triplep.net](http://www1.triplep.net)

**Bookings Close 06/10/17**  
**Childcare available**



# SIXERS GIRLS CRICKET LEAGUE

## JOIN THE FUN!



**COMPETITION/S:** Cricket Illawarra Sixers Girls Cricket League <http://cricketillawarra.nsw.cricket.com.au/>

**COMPETITION COORDINATOR:** Maryanne : [mc.mhead@cricketillawarra.org.au](mailto:mc.mhead@cricketillawarra.org.au) 0416 927 271

**AGES:** 10 - 16 Years of Age

**LOCATION:** Illawarra area

**TIME:** Sundays TBA

**DATE:** League starts on 29th October 2017

**CLUBS INVOLVED:**

Register with Wests Illawarra Cricket Club by going to [PlayCricket.com.au](http://PlayCricket.com.au) and entering the Post Code 2525.

**OTHER INFORMATION:**

This is a 7 a side T20 Cricket League for girls. More information can be found on [www.sydneysixersgirlscricket.com.au](http://www.sydneysixersgirlscricket.com.au) or look for one of these clubs on

#allgirlscan



TO REGISTER TODAY GO TO [PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU](http://PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU)



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# SOMETHING TO DO

**OCT - DEC  
2017**

## REHEARSAL SPACE

Fully equipped soundproof  
music rehearsal room  
\$5p/p-2hr sessions -  
bookings essential

**VARIOUS TIMES  
TUESDAYS -  
SATURDAYS**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**11 NOV - VIVA LA GONG  
25 NOV - WHITE RIBBON DAY  
1 DEC - WORLD AIDS DAY**

Visit our Facebook page to  
find out what's happening  
for these events

## RAINBOW LEAGUE

A social group for same sex  
attracted, gender diverse or  
questioning young people aged  
16-25

**MONDAYS 4-5.30PM**  
WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## BARISTA PRACTICE

Previous Barista Express  
participants have run of the  
coffee machine to practice  
their skills

**TUESDAYS 4-5.30PM**  
WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## CODE THE GONG

Learn to write computer  
code & build a website,  
create an app or a game &  
explore technology

**TUESDAYS 4.30-6PM**  
WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## BARISTA EXPRESS

Be mentored by experienced  
baristas & learn to make  
café quality coffee - bookings  
essential

**WEDNESDAYS  
3.30-5.30PM**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## CHOOSE. COOK. EAT.

You get to CHOOSE what  
you COOK. Learn how to  
prepare healthy meals &  
EAT the meal you prepared

**WEDNESDAYS  
3.15-5.15PM**

BELLAMBI NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

## VIVA LA 3D INSTALLATION

Create 3D artworks which will  
be exhibited during Viva la  
Gong Festival. No experience  
necessary!

**TUESDAYS 3.30-5.30PM**

BUNDALEER COMMUNITY CENTRE

**WEDNESDAYS  
1.30-3PM**

WARRAWONG HIGH SCHOOL

## BOXING FOR FITNESS

Improve your fitness &  
learn boxing techniques  
from our qualified personal  
trainer. Bookings essential.

**TUESDAYS  
3-5 PM**

OUTSIDE IN BELLAMBI

## GIRLS CAFÉ

A group for multicultural  
young women. Hang out, have  
fun & get to know other girls  
like you!

**WEDNESDAYS  
3.30-5.30PM**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## TEAM IGNITE

Join team Ignite to boost the  
music & performance scene for  
young people in Wollongong

**THURSDAYS 4-5.30PM**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## ON STAGE

A mix of live music &  
performances for young  
people by young people

Check out the gig guide for  
more information

**THURSDAYS 6-7.30PM**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## INTRO TO GUITAR

Introductory lessons on  
how to play guitar - half  
hour time slots - bookings  
essential

**FRIDAYS 3-4.30PM**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## HEALTHY MIND HEALTHY BODY

Learn yoga & mindfulness  
techniques to help you relax, unwind  
& build strength in body & mind

**FRIDAYS 3.30-5PM**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

## TEENZ CONNECT

A range of activities including  
art, craft, games, trivia & more  
for young people aged 12-18  
years

**FRIDAYS 3-5PM**

WARRAWONG LIBRARY

## HANG OUT

Basketball, pool, table tennis,  
air hockey, TV, football & more,  
a space for 12-18 year olds

**TUESDAYS 3-6PM  
THURSDAYS 3-8PM  
SATURDAYS 1-4PM**

WOLLONGONG YOUTH CENTRE

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These activities and events are for young people aged 12-24 years.  
To make a booking or to find out more information  
**CONTACT THE YOUTH SERVICES TEAM**  
P: 4227 8222 E: [youthservices@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:youthservices@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)



Fairymeadow Surf Life Saving Club is looking for new members.

Juniors 5-13 years old commence Sunday 15th October 2017,  
14 years and up to obtain Bronze Medallion to commence Life Saving duties.  
Must register before you can commence activities. It's not too late.

Enquiries: please contact Craig Warburton the Junior Chairperson on

Email: [nippers@fairymeadowslsc.com](mailto:nippers@fairymeadowslsc.com)

Mobile: 0415225085

Come join our small, friendly, family club.



Workshops are at our Wollongong office 25-27 Auburn St Wollongong unless otherwise stated

**WOLLONGONG TERM 4, 2017**  
**BOOKINGS call us on: 4254 9316**

[www.catholiccare.dow.org.au](http://www.catholiccare.dow.org.au)  
CatholicCare's Families & Communities Program  
is funded by the Australian Government  
\*Concessions may apply dependent upon financial circumstances

<p><b>BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS</b></p> <p>This course is designed for parents who are seeking to learn more about their child's needs and how to better respond to behaviours. Participants will learn mindfulness techniques to increase awareness of thoughts and feelings.</p> <p>Monday <b>mornings</b> for 4 weeks: 9:30am - 11:30am 30 October &amp; 6, 13, 20 November</p> <p><b>Workshop Fee: \$50*</b></p>	<p><b>MY KIDS &amp; ME</b></p> <p>A program for parents who have had their children removed from their care. It explores grief &amp; loss &amp; the impact on parents &amp; children. Helps participants to develop strengths &amp; build support networks.</p> <p>Thursday <b>mornings</b> for 7 weeks: 9:30am - 11:30am 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 November &amp; 7, 14 December</p> <p><b>Workshop Fee: \$100*</b></p>	<p><b>CIRCLE OF SECURITY® Parenting™</b></p> <p>Helping parents understand their child's world by learning to read their emotional needs. Secure children have empathy, greater self esteem, better relationships and increased capacity to handle their emotions. This program is a must for all parents.</p> <p>Tuesday <b>afternoons</b> for 5 weeks: 1pm - 3pm OR 4pm - 6pm 31 October &amp; 7, 14, 21, 28 November</p> <p><b>Workshop Fee: \$75*</b></p>
<p><b>SEEING RED</b></p> <p>Explores ways for parents to deal with feelings of anger within themselves and their children. Participants will learn to recognise their own feelings and needs and those of others, communicate and listen to these feelings and needs, be assertive &amp; express anger in a more constructive way.</p> <p>Tuesday <b>afternoons</b> for 3 weeks: 1pm - 3pm 10, 17, 24 October <b>Location:</b> Wollongong Office</p> <p>Thursday <b>mornings</b> for 3 weeks: 9:30am - 11:30am 12, 19, 26 October <b>Location:</b> Stockland Shellharbour Community Room, Lake Entrance Road Shellharbour</p> <p><b>Workshop Fee: \$45*</b></p>	<p><b>123 MAGIC AND EMOTION COACHING</b></p> <p>Learn to be present and consistent as a parent. This time tested program provides parents with easy to use disciplining techniques for their children, without letting emotions get the better of them.</p> <p>Tuesday <b>mornings</b> for 3 weeks: 9:30am - 11:30am 10, 17, 24 October <b>Location:</b> Wollongong Office</p> <p>3 non-consecutive Monday <b>mornings</b>: 9:30am - 11:30am 27 November &amp; 4, 18 December <b>Location:</b> Wollongong Office</p> <p>Thursday <b>afternoons</b> for 3 weeks: 12:30pm - 2:30pm 12, 19, 26 October <b>Location:</b> Stockland Shellharbour Community Room Lake Entrance Road Shellharbour</p> <p><b>Workshop Fee: \$45*</b></p>	<p><b>KEEPING KIDS IN MIND</b></p> <p>A post-separation parenting program which helps parents learn how to deal with the emotional &amp; practical issues of parenting after separation. The program helps explore grief &amp; loss &amp; the impact separation has on parents &amp; their children.</p> <p>Tuesday <b>afternoons</b> for 5 weeks: 4pm - 6pm 31 October, 7, 14, 21, 28 November</p> <p>Thursday <b>afternoons</b> for 5 weeks: 1pm - 3pm 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 November</p> <p><b>Workshop Fee: \$100*</b></p> <div data-bbox="1209 1818 1457 1899"> </div>





All 17 surf clubs in Illawarra Branch from Helensburgh Stanwell Park in the north to Windang in the south will be open on Sunday 15 October from 10am-12noon hosting a number of activities including nippers, lifesaving demonstrations, club house tours, barbeques and patrols.

There are so many benefits to joining a surf club. Apart from learning vital lifesaving skills, you can get involved with support services such as powered water craft patrols, get fit and healthy participating in surf sports and involve your kids in a fun range of nipper activities that will help their growth and development.

One of the great things about joining a surf club is that you walk into a ready-made group of friends. It's also a great way to spend some family time together, while doing something good for the community.

We are excited about Surf Club Open Day as it gives our clubs the opportunity to open its doors to the public and promote surf lifesaving within our local community.

This Open Day will showcase the activities that take place within our Surf Life Saving Clubs and ways that members of our local community can give, get involved and be safe. It takes a huge effort from every member of the club to put patrols on the beach. As well as keeping people safe between the red and yellow flags, we also do roving patrols using rescue boats and water craft, and we're continually running courses so people can become surf lifesavers and learn other important lifesaving and life skills.

There are many different kinds of members, from junior members, our Nippers, right through to life members who have served their club and community for many years. There are all sorts of reasons people join a club, whether it's to help the community, get involved in surf sports, be part of our rescue response teams, to help out in administration, or just for the social aspect. In surf lifesaving, everything is voluntary and there's something for everyone.

Surf Life Saving Illawarra and our 17 surf clubs invite you to visit your local club and learn more about who we are, what we do and how you and your family can become involved with our great organisation.