



Finley High School students at Anzac Day Services

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Key Dates Term 1 - Term 2

Newsletter Term 2, Week 2 2024

Date:	Event:
Monday 13 th May	15's Boys & Girls Basketball
Monday 13 th – Wednesday 15 th May	CHS Swimming
Wednesday 15 th May	MADDD Rehearsal
Wednesday 15 th May	Open Boys & Girls AFL
Thursday 16 th May	FHS Cross Country
Thursday 16 th May	ANU Tax for Senior Students Seminar
Monday 20 th May	FHS Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 22 nd May – Friday 24 th May	Holbrook Sheep Show
Thursday 23 rd May	Open Netball Zone Gala

A word from Mr Ward

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope all our families had a wonderful break, whether it was travelling or just relaxing at home. I know all the staff and students appreciated some down time after a busy first term.

ANZAC Day

During the school holidays, it was tremendous to see so many staff and students come out to pay their respects and recognise our service men and women at local dawn and main services in Finley, Berrigan, Jerilderie and Tocumwal. I was fortunate to attend many of these events marching with the students. The sense of pride in marching at such an auspicious occasion, with all the students in full uniform, is an honour. Thank you to all those who attended. On Friday the 17th May, we have organised a BBQ and presentation of certificates to those who marched.



Well done to the following students who played significant parts in their town services;

- Roree and Sarah – who spoke at the Finley service
- Lacy, Erica and Tess – MC at the Berrigan service
- Erica and Hailey – singing at the Berrigan and Finley service
- Sophie – raising the flag Finley dawn service
- Callum and Abbey – leading the Jerilderie service
- Keeley, Cody and Declan - laying the wreath in Tocumwal
- Daisy, Riley, Faith, Claire and Stevie – leading the march in Finley

Keely Peters, Declan & Cody Palmer lay a wreath in Tocumwal

Day one – Staff Development Day

On the 29th of April, staff returned to work where the focus was on curriculum implementation. After an address from our Secretary, Mr Murat Dizdar and Deputy Premier, Ms Prue Carr, the staff engaged in three professional learning sessions delivered by our executive staff. Topics included supporting students with a disability, HSC high leverage strategies and purposeful assessment.

Welcome to Ms Gorji

We welcome Ms Gorji to our staff for the remainder of the year. Ms Gorji will be teaching in the HSIE faculty and returns after completing her practicum training in Term 1. Ms Gorji recently spoke of her wonderful experience at FHS and in the district. It's terrific to see teachers from the city come out to our rural communities and embrace them so warmly as Ms Gorji has.

Uniform

I have been very impressed with the majority of students who wear school uniform with pride every day. Remember students are expected to comply with the schools uniform policy and dress code. Uniform is one of those things that tells a lot about a school. We have our uniform to ensure that there is no disadvantage or prestige being leveraged to make students feel they are less or more. It tells the community that we value belonging, it indicates discipline and sets a high standard. We have made big changes to the school uniform to ensure every student is looking smart and equal in terms of providing a single standard of dress.

Congratulations to Olivia Campbell

Olivia will be heading to San Diego in the USA for the Global Youth Leadership summit in July. Well done Olivia, you put in an outstanding submission and this is well deserved. We look forward to hearing of your experience later in the year.

Jeff Ward – Principal



Donations

We receive a significant amount of support in our community and a lot goes unrecognised. We would like to thank the following businesses/people.

Flippa's Auto Electrics – completed work to our school trailer free of charge.

Phil Snowden - who produces hay, has donated 30 big squares.

Finley RSC who donates the use of their squash courts free of charge for our sport program.

NSWCHS Girls U15's AFL Championships

On Wednesday the 1st May, Milena, Pip and Maddy travelled to Albury to take part in the NSWCHS Football championships, representing the Riverina.

On day 1 they came up against a very strong Hunter region. The Riverina girls came out firing and were up at half time but unfortunately couldn't hold onto the lead and ended up going down 23-8.

On day 2 the girls had a score to settle and had very dominant wins against Sydney east (41-3) and Sydney West (45-0). This was an amazing achievement in itself as since the carnival started the Riverina team had never won a game!

The girls finished 2nd in their pool which meant a play off for 3rd place. They came up against a strong North Coast who kicked the first goal of the game. A switch flicked inside the Riverina girls, and they then carried on to win the game 63-14, finishing 3rd in the state. All 3 of the Finley girls had a massive impact in their final; Maddy booted 3 of the teams 9 goals, Milena was a pocket rocket throughout the mid field laying tackles everywhere while Pip was solid in the backline and let nothing through!



Well done girls you have made Finley High School very proud! *Milena, Maddy and Pip*



Boys Under 15'CHS AFL

We wish Jackson Tooke and Lachlan Whelan all the best in Broken Hill this week at the boys CHS under 15's AFL carnival.



Jackson and Lachlan

Literacy Enrichment Program

In Term 1, we implemented a comprehensive literacy program aimed at improving vocabulary knowledge among our Year 7 and 8 students. Through pre- and post-testing, we observed significant improvement across the term, with 77% of students showing increased vocabulary knowledge. In Term 2, we will continue our program with some enhancements based on student and staff feedback, including the addition of an 'Advanced' level vocabulary booklet. We are confident that these adjustments will further enhance our students' literacy skills and are grateful for the continued support of our teachers in implementing this program.

Jess Laxton

Head Teacher English

Quality Teaching Rounds

Finley High School has been fortunate to receive a 'Strengthening Induction' grant which allowed four teachers to travel to Melbourne to participate in a professional learning program. This term, teachers will be involved in teaching rounds which encourages continual improvement as a professional learning community, through collaboration and critical reflection.

Amy Baxter

Head Teacher Teaching and Learning

Staff Collaboration Term 1 2024: 'Engagement'

To kick off the new year, Finley High School teaching staff engaged in a collaboration activity to go to other lessons and observe and record some of the great teaching practices occurring in our classrooms. Term 1's focus was on 'engagement' and how we are getting students excited to tackle their learning. Quality teaching strategies and use of rapport were noted as the top two ways staff are engaging our students. This term, we look to analyse Stage 6 learning, with a focus on how we are driving HSC growth across our various disciplines.

Jack Maslen

Mathematics & HSIE Teacher

Year 12 Biology Cloning Activity



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Mr. Jeff Ward
The Principal
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29th April, 2024

Dear Jeff,

On behalf of the Finley RSL Sub-branch I would like to thank you and your students for taking part in the Finley Anzac Day march and service. Your participation in so many ways is very much appreciated. I am sure you will agree it is important the younger generation know and understand the sacrifices made to give us the freedom we have today.

Yours sincerely,

Anne Freestone
Hon. Secretary

Thank you letter from Anne Freestone

Metal Year 9/Timber Year 9-10



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SOCCER GALA DAY

On Friday 5th April 2024, Finley High School travelled to Hay to compete in the Under 15 Bill Turner Trophy and Bill Turner Cup.

The Finley HS girls played their first game against Barham HS and won soundly scoring 2 goals to 1. Our sharp-shooter Bella Rourke scored both goals and caused chaos whenever the ball was in the vicinity of the goal.

In the second game, Finley HS and Hay WMHS drew 1 a-piece. Milly Hanmer came up with a crafty goal to give the team every chance of retaining the title.

In the final game, Finley was out staged in the second half to go down 3-2 against Deniliquin HS. Cherish Joseph kicked 2 extraordinary goals to almost single handedly steal the show.

Ultimately, the girls will not progress, but their efforts need to be acknowledged and all members of the team will improve from this experience.

The boys team began steadily and at full time in the first game scored a nil all draw with Barham HS. In the second game, Elliott Loughridge exhibited his immense skill by sending the ball into the back of the net and creating a win over Hay 1-nil.

The final game saw a show down with Deniliquin HS. Two sizzling deflections from Logan Eldridge set up a 2 – nil win for Finley HS.

Subsequently, the boys were able to retain the Bill Turner trophy and have progressed to the third round of the competition.

I would like to thank Mr Tooke for refereeing and driving the bus to the event and Dim Wright for supervising and providing treats on the day.

Nathan King

Team Supervisor





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Year 7 Geography Activity

At the end of last term, students in 7D were learning about direction in Geography. In order to consolidate their learning, students were required to create a 16-point compass rose. Students had to make sure that their compass was correctly aligned to North and that all angles were accurate. The tools they were given were chalk, string, and a metre ruler. Students were briefly allowed to check True North on Mr Tobin's phone. Students had a great time learning to draw a proper circle and measuring angles.



Year 10 Careers Day out!



Pink Stumps Day

Well done to our teachers and students for organizing a fun filled day on the last day of Term 1 to help raise money for breast cancer awareness!



TERM 2 2024

THU	MAY	2 6:30PM	COBRAM YOUTH
FRI	MAY	10 7:00PM	GAMES, BIBLE STUDY & PUDDING @ Colin & Leanna's
THU	MAY	16 6:30PM	COBRAM YOUTH
FRI	MAY	24 7:00PM	GAMES NIGHT @ Retreat Hall
THU	MAY	30 6:30PM	COBRAM YOUTH
FRI	JUNE	7 7:00PM	PIZZA & PAV NIGHT @ Retreat Hall
THU	JUNE	13 6:30PM	COBRAM YOUTH
FRI	JUNE	21 7:00PM	BONFIRE @ Sherwin & Carlie's
THU	JUNE	27 6:30PM	COBRAM YOUTH
FRI	JULY	5 7:00PM	FAMILY TRIVIA NIGHT @ Retreat Hall

Contact: Jen Everingham - 0438 162 344
Carlisle Smith - 0428 357 458

Cost: \$2 or \$5 per family

IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



LATE NOTES

In an effort to ensure every student is following the correct guidelines, we require students who are late to school to have a note or direct communication from a parent/carer. This covers their lateness and ensures they have not been elsewhere and have been safe. Students without a note or not signed in by a parent/carer, will in the future be required to attend a lunch detention as their whereabouts cannot be explained. Our school day starts at 8:50am when every student must present for roll call.

Jeff Ward - Principal



For Sale by Tender
2020 Country Clipper Boulevard
Ride-on Mower

48 inch cut

Kohler 7000 series

23hp 725cc motor

220 hrs on motor

Inspections available by appointment.

Please address written tenders to:

Ms Nyree Taylor

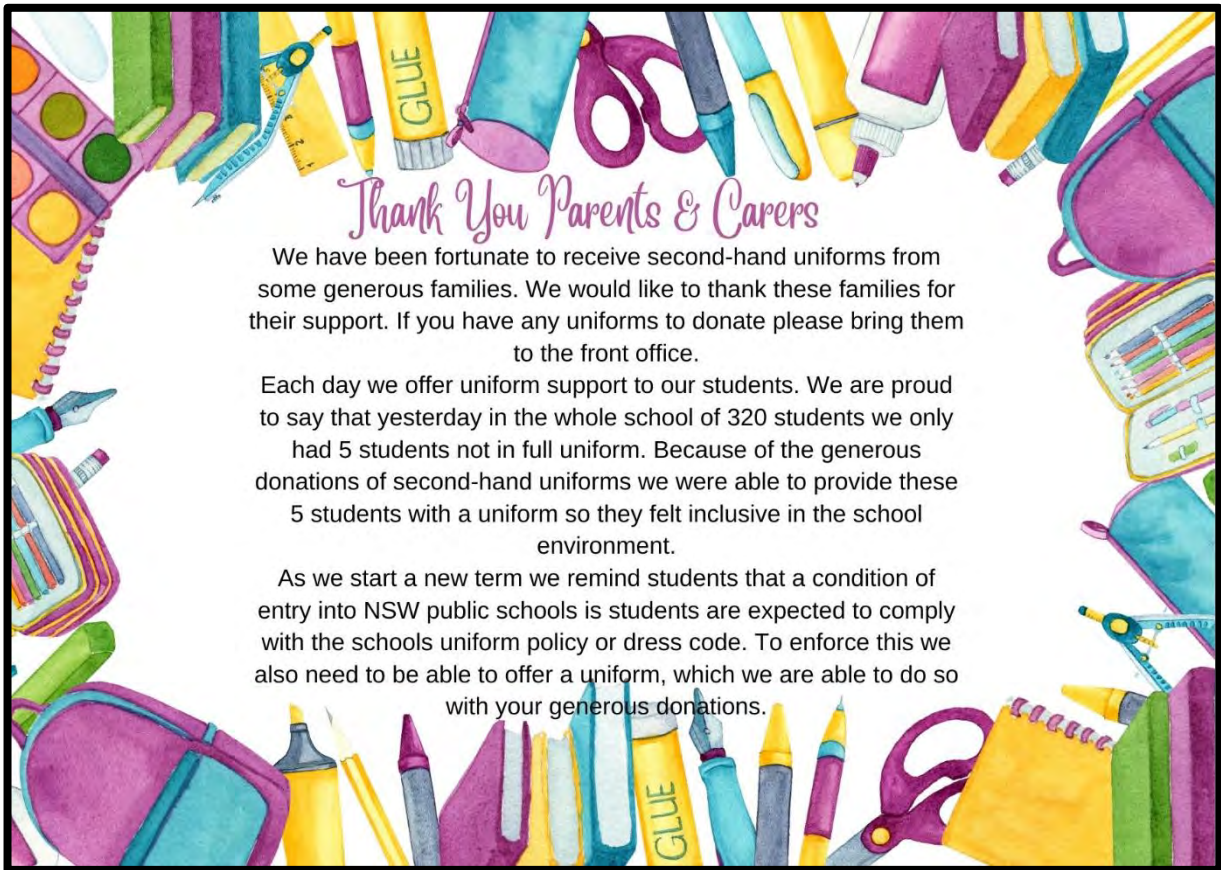
Principal, Jerilderie Public School

31 Bolton Street, Jerilderie NSW 2716.

(All tenders to be forwarded in a sealed envelope.)

Tenders close 3pm on Friday 31 May 2024





Thank You Parents & Carers

We have been fortunate to receive second-hand uniforms from some generous families. We would like to thank these families for their support. If you have any uniforms to donate please bring them to the front office.

Each day we offer uniform support to our students. We are proud to say that yesterday in the whole school of 320 students we only had 5 students not in full uniform. Because of the generous donations of second-hand uniforms we were able to provide these 5 students with a uniform so they felt inclusive in the school environment.

As we start a new term we remind students that a condition of entry into NSW public schools is students are expected to comply with the schools uniform policy or dress code. To enforce this we also need to be able to offer a uniform, which we are able to do so with your generous donations.

CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

Contact – 0473 946 683

Volunteers are asked to be at the canteen by 10am sharp. If you are unable to attend, please change with someone else.

2024

May 14th	M Close
May 17th	T Bauer/C Rorato
May 20th	L McFarlane
May 21st	W Doolan
May 27th	C East
May 29th	M Kleinschmidt
May 30th	S Frost

**Finley High School
P & C Meeting
Wednesday 12th June at 7pm
in the Finley High School staff common room.**



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FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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Outdoor Educational Learning Hub on the School Farm/AG Plot.

At Finley High School we have an Agriculture Program that is driven by dedicated staff. It is recognised as a lighthouse program in Agriculture and is held in high regard by educational communities and within the agricultural industry.

The school, community and the Department of Education have contributed resources to move our Agriculture Program into the electronic age. We have Wi-Fi in the Ag plot which allows students to collect data and record management information when working with our livestock. They can use our wand reader to scan an animals NLIS tags when weighing, vaccinating, drenching, artificially inseminating and pregnancy testing etc. This information is blue toothed directly into the Stockbook Platform, which is an online herd management program. Data can be easily accessed and manipulated to create a variety of reports and graphs.

What we do lack is a dedicated space in the Ag plot where students can go to be sheltered from the elements to work on data that they have gathered. The space would be used for Agriculture theoretical based learning and practical activities with the sheep/cattle/poultry/bees/machinery. Additionally, it will allow our senior students to complete tasks, whilst individual and/or small group work could be done using machinery. Currently, the closest learning space for our students is 200 metres from the AG plot. The establishment of the Outdoor Educational Learning Hub would greatly improve the hands-on learning experience for our students as it would be based inside the AG Plot.

The proposed structure (Outdoor Educational Learning Hub) will be 12 metres by 7.5 metres, and high enough to also house some of our machinery. This will get the machinery out of current working spaces, which will make working with livestock a lot safer and protect the machinery from damage. The cost of the proposed Structure (Outdoor Educational Learning Hub) is \$12500. Additionally, it will also require a slab to go under it which will also be approximately \$12000. Finally, we would also need to have it erected, fitted out and connected to power which would be an additional \$14000.

The P&C have set up the "*Finley High School P&C Building fund*" which is an account where **tax deductible donations** can be made to support us to fund this project. I am available to have a conversation with you if you would like to discuss this further. Bank details are listed below:

Finley High School P&C Building Fund.
National Australia Bank
Community Saver Account
BSB 083577 ACC 322355154

As always, we are extremely grateful of any contribution that you can make. If you can make a contribution to our Outdoor Educational Learning Hub, please let us know if we can publicly acknowledge your support for this special project.

HAVE YOU SEEN

Your lost school clothes?



We have a large quantity of lost property - including clothing, drink bottles, hats and other various items located in the photocopier room. Please come and check these items out if you are missing anything. Uniform items that are not collected in a timely manner will be donated to our second hand uniform stock.

INQUIZATIVES

TRIVIA NIGHT & MINI GAMES

FREE TRIVIA NIGHT
FOR YOUTH AGED 14+
FRIDAY MAY 17TH
DOORS OPEN @ 4:45PM
KICK OFF @ 5PM
BUS RIDE HOME @ 9.00PM
FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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KICK START YOUR CAREER WITH THE RFS



Work in the great outdoors

Working in our Mitigation Crews no two days are the same. If you enjoy working in the open air, in a hands-on physical role, you will fit right in! You will be trained to utilise a range of machinery and have the opportunity to travel regularly.



Contribute to the community

The RFS protects our community and environment by minimising the impact of fire and other emergencies. Our crews also support at-risk community members through the Assist Infirm, Disabled and Elderly Residents Program.



Be part of a team

Work with a close-knit team of like-minded individuals. Our crews work together each day to complete jobs, and support each other through challenging days.

Drop In Information Session Wednesday 1st May 3pm - 6pm
Deniliquin Fire Control Centre
Deniliquin Airport
Macknight Drive
Deniliquin NSW 2710

Apply at: iworkfor.nsw.gov.au



NSW Health



Is your child in year 7 or year 10?

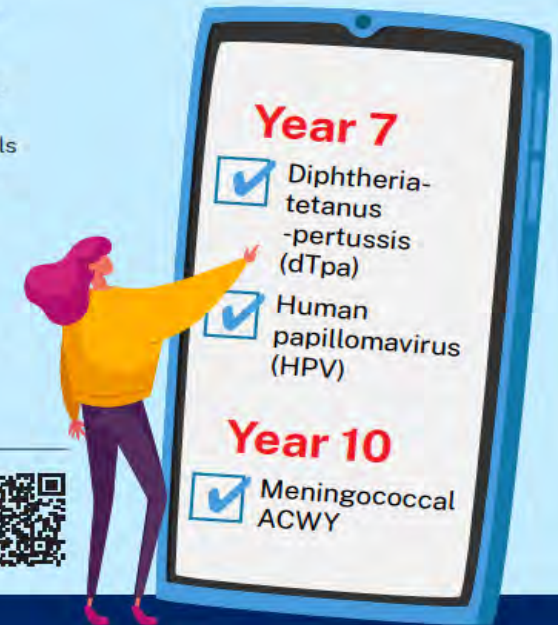
Provide your consent for routine school vaccinations online

To provide online consent, you will need:

- to visit: <https://engage.health.nsw.gov.au/engage>
- your Service NSW log-in details
- medicare card details for you and your child - the name of the high school your child is attending in 2024.

If you or your child do not have a medicare card, you can provide consent using a paper-based consent form at your child's school.

Scan the QR code to give your consent now



Year 7

- Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (dTpa)
- Human papillomavirus (HPV)

Year 10

- Meningococcal ACWY

For more information on vaccination visit: health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination

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8.30AM. WARM UP FOR A 9.00AM START**

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