### FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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#### **KEY DATES**

### June

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4	Tuppal Station Excursion – whole school				
8	Formal Assembly 10:06 am in the School Hall				
9	ICAS Science Competition				

**10** Zone Athletics Carnival in Finley

14 Queen's Birthday

15's Baskethall in Barham

**16 – 18**Holbrook Sheep and Wool Show

22 15's Boys and Girls Soccer in Deniliquin ICAS Spelling and Writing Competitions Berrigan Shire Expo

23 Riverina Boys and Girls Tennis Trials

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### Principal's Message

### Full range of opportunities for all students

Life at Finley High School continues to be very hectic with lots of different activities and events. I would like to congratulate our Year Twelve students who with assistance from staff members Marg Rowe and Denise Fulton ran a highly successful 'Biggest Moring Tea' last Friday where they raised close to \$400 to go to cancer research. By any standard this is a great achievement.

Last week we had a large contingent of our Agriculture students involved in the Bendigo beef Show with our students winning numerous awards, and perhaps more importantly numerous accolades for their great behaviour and commitment. Gary Webb and Robyn O'Leary are once again to be complimented on the enormous amount of time and energy that they put into this program and into supporting their students.

This week we have had students involved in inter school soccer and on Friday will have over 200 students involved in the Tuppal Station celebrations. Students who are involved in that trip are reminded that Friday is a normal school day in every sense and they are expected to fully participate.

### **School Uniform**

I have mentioned to all the students several times lately that the expectation is that all students will be in full school uniform at all times. In particular all students are reminded that they must wear black shoes and the school jumper. If there is a good reason why they are not in uniform they need to

bring a note explaining the situation and present that to Mrs Braybon or Mr Bird. If parents need any assistance with the purchasing of uniform items please contact the school we will do our utmost to assist.

### **Trade Training Centre**

Work is progressing well on our new Commercial Kitchen. New plumbing, electrical and gas services are being laid and in the near future work will commence on a new ceiling and the installation of ceiling extractor fans. The contractors believe we are only slightly behind schedule and at this stage we anticipate that all will be completed by the middle of August.

### **Berrigan Shire Employment Expo**

As many of you would know this a huge event that involves large numbers of local businesses, services and employers in showcasing the wide range of opportunities available to our students on completion of their schooling. This year it will held on Tuesday 22nd June. Information will be out to students in the near future - an event not to be missed.

Year Eleven Driver Education -24/25 June A huge thank you to Ellen Downey who is coordinating a special program for our Year Eleven students. Local David Woodward has been a driving force in this event and has been instrumental in being able to organise driving instruction at a very reduced rate over the two days. Students will also have access to a range of guest speakers from the police, NRMA, victims of road accidents, as well as sessions on purchasing a vehicle and vehicle maintenance.

It is a busy time of the term but I encourage all students to stick with it and come here each and every day with the intention of giving it their very best.

Finally –a very special congratulations to Mark Whiley in Year Twelve who has just been announced as one of the first three signings for the new Greater Western Sydney AFL team – this is a huge achievement and we all wish Mark all the best in his new venture – after he completes his HSC studies this year.

Bernie Roebuck Principal

### **Biggest Morning Tea**

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, Year Twelve hosted the staff to a "Cuppa for Cancer". What a superb effort. A spread fit for the Queen. Superb organisation and a warm welcome to staff awaited. Students provided a "plate" of food. Staff donated to a great cause.



Above: Staff and Year Twelve students enjoying the Biggest Morning Tea.



Above: Members of the Biggest Morning Tea Committee, Ashley Kable, Caitlin Marcus, Marlee Koopman and Jayde Yelland. Absent: Morgan Vance.

Result of the Biggest Morning Tea. A record amount of \$395.40 was raised. Thank you to Mrs Fulton, Year Twelve Head Teacher, for her liaising with Year Twelve for the event. She informs me it was a great team effort from the students. A fantastic effort indeed. Congratulations Year Twelve.

Mrs M Rowe

Cancer Council NSW Contact at Finley High School

# Years Seven to Twelve Parent/Teacher Interview Session

Please mark this date in your diary now. Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2010 (Week One of Term Three), 4pm to 6pm in the school hall. Booking sheets will come home with students on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June (students will receive their half yearly reports in the last week of this term).

As usual, light refreshments will be available for a gold coin donation.

Mrs M Rowe Co-ordinator

### **Driver Awareness Day**

In Week Ten, Year Eleven will be involved in a compulsory Driver Awareness Day as part of the Crossroads course. This day will involve guest speakers and workshops. This initiative was started by the wonderful crew at Woody's Motors. They have also generously donated driving lessons for a number of students.

The following groups have also sponsored the day: Berrigan Shire Council, Jerilderie Shire Council, Jerilderie Motors, Riverina Garage (Holden – Finley) and Stoke's Auto Electrics (Cobram).

More detailed information will be supplied to Year Eleven students in the coming days.

Ms Downey Head Teacher PDHPE

### **Berrigan Shire Business and Environment Awards**

In the last newsletter I congratulated our three finalists in the VET Workplacement Student of the Year for 2010 Award at this awards night. I did not mention the winner John Rogasch, Elizabeth Haynes and Michael Whiley represented us with. Michael was recognised as the VET Workplacement Student of the Year. Our congratulations to Michael.

### **Trade Training Centre in Hospitality**

Our new centre in room 85 is now well under way. The room has been gutted and services are now embedded in walls and floors.

It will not be long before we see the internal walls and fittings taking shape.

We cannot wait for this room to be up and running complete with outdoor Al fresco dining area.

Mrs M Rowe
VET/TVET Co-ordinator

### Soup and Slices wanted for Careers Expo Day.

Wanted soup and slices for Careers Expo Day. If anybody is willing to make soup or slices for the day please contact Kaylene at the Canteen 58831105.

### **CANTEEN ROSTER** Canteen Contact and Number Mrs Kaylene Dawe 5883 1105 ....LADIES, Please note 10am start.... June 4 S Ford-Jenkins, Gail Reynoldson 7 W Cleve, J Middlebrook 8 N Curtin 9 J Petzke 10 J Chellew, A Lee 11 T Clarke 14 QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY 15 Sonia Thompson 16 V Bryce 17 M McCaw, B Agosta 18 K Babington

Whole School Assessment Due Dates					
Year	Class	Assessment Task	Teacher	Due Date	
Ten	All Maths classes	Maths Project	Mr Piggin Mrs Braybon Mr Oddie	20/08/10	
Eleven	PDHPE	First Aid	Mr Tooke Ms Downey	Commences 21/04/10 (ongoing)	

# Community Announcements

### Free Graduated Licensing Scheme Workshops for Learner Driver Parents in Finley

Young drivers are three times more likely to be involved in casualty crashes. That's why the RTA has introduced a new licensing scheme, with more supervised driving practice for learner drivers.

To help parents in supervising learner drivers, the RTA has set up a FREE two hour workshop for parents that offers practical advice on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers.

A FREE RTA parents' workshop will be hosted by David Riches on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June at the Finley RS Club from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

Early bookings are essential, so phone on 0438 215 323 now to reserve your place or email <a href="mailto:parentworkshop@optusnet.com.au">parentworkshop@optusnet.com.au</a>

### Hip Hop Dance Classes at the Tocumwal Memorial Hall

\$11.00/Week – Lessons are to run during school terms on Tuesday nights.

Lesson times and age groups:

4-7 years = 4:15 – 5:15pm 8-10 years = 5:15 – 6:15pm 11-12 years = 6:15 – 7:15pm 13-18 years = 7:15 – 8:15pm

Contact Lourine Taylor for further details on (03) 5874 2418. This is a Youth for Youth initiative.

### **Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre**

Communities NSW, Sport and Recreation will be holding a **Sports Crazy Camp** for boys and girls aged between 9 to 14 years, during the second week of the July school holidays.

The camp is designed as an introductory skill development program to give children in Southern NSW the opportunity to improve their skills in a variety of sports with fully qualified and experienced coaches and instructors.

Date: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2010

Venue: Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre, located 25km east of Wagga Wagga on the Sturt

Highway.

Activities: volleyball, soccer, wheelchair sports, touch football, croquet, archery, fencing and more.