

FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Teaching, learning and achieving in a safe and caring community



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KEY DATES

June

- 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
- 24 – 25 Driver Awareness Day Year 11

July

- 1 P & C Meeting
- 2 Last Day of Term
- 19 Staff Development Day
- 20 Students Return to School
- 21 Parent/Teacher Interview Sessions
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Principal's Message

Bernie Roebuck has taken leave for weeks 9 and 10 this term. This has resulted in some shuffling of staff. I will relieve as Principal during this time. Mrs Jackson will relieve as Deputy Principal and Mr McGilvery will relieve as Head Teacher of the HSIE faculty.

Motivational Media

The Motivational Media Roadshow comes to school this Friday. All students are encouraged to attend this sight and sound spectacular.

Motivational Media aims to both **challenge and inspire young people** to develop strategies that will enable them to reach their true potential so that their life choices will not be diminished through avoidable, reckless and harmful behaviours.

Motivational Media's programs make use of three large, panoramic screens, along with state of the art synchronised projectors, producing an image 13 metres wide. This is combined with amplified sound, current popular music and inspirational stories creating **an experience that grips students' attention** like no other program.

The package includes detailed follow-up material, including student worksheets which some teachers will use to promote discussion to raise student awareness of the importance of self esteem, wise decision making, goal setting and friendship choices.

Motivational Media focuses on young people preventing or controlling situations that may result in harmful behaviours.

Cost: \$2 payable at the Pay Office on or before the day.

We feel that it is so important for all students to attend this production, the school will subsidise the remaining cost for those who pay \$2.

Uniform

With winter now upon us, many coloured jumpers are starting to appear around the school. It is timely therefore to remind the school of the uniform requirements.

Students are expected to wear the full school uniform or bring a note if for some reason they are out of uniform.

Green woollen jumpers can be purchased from the school canteen or some students choose to wear the bottle green cotton jumpers which can be purchased from BIG W, Kmart etc. Make sure that jumpers are labelled with students name so if misplaced it can be returned.

Black leather covered in shoes are essential for practical lessons and black shoes are a part of the school uniform.

Girls should not be wearing leggings or track suit pants. The school uniform for girls is black trousers or jeans.

We encourage all students to wear the school uniform which has been agreed to by the parent body. Students who are out of uniform without a note are given a detention. Students who are regularly out of uniform or fail to attend detentions are placed on a Loss of Privileges list which prevents them from representing the school at excursions and other school events.

Mr Roebuck has been very supportive of the initiatives the school has in place regarding uniforms.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the wearing of the school uniform, or you require financial help in purchasing the correct uniform, please contact Bernie or me at the school.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Notes went home this week inviting parents to make appointments for an interview with their child's teachers at Parent/Teacher night to be held on Wednesday 21st July, 2010. (This is the first Wednesday of Term 3).

I encourage all parents to remind their children to make appointments early as schedules fill fast for this evening.

Employment Expo

Plans are well underway for the Berrigan Shire Employment Expo to be held next Tuesday, June 22nd. Many local businesses are participating by allowing students to visit and give them an insight into working in the industry.

A range of universities and TAFE institutions and private providers will provide static and interactive displays in the hall.

The guest speaker for the day will be Jane Harris (nee McNamara). Jane, a former Finley High School student, works in public relations and will be speaking to students about career pathways specifically and how best to project yourself into the workplace.

I would like to wish all students participating in the Riverina Cross Country, Netball, Soccer, Holbrook Sheep and Wool Show, Swan Shield, Spelling and Writing Competitions, Careers Expo, and Riverina Tennis Trials all the best of luck for their events in the next two weeks

Helen McRae
Relieving Principal

15 Girls Soccer

On Tuesday the 1st of June the team travelled to Deniliquin and played in 2 games. Behaviour was great, teamwork excellent, sportsmanship wonderful, skill brilliant and we won!

The first game was against Deniliquin High School. The end score was 2-0. Throughout this game, the players started to better work out the positioning. This then led into our second game against Barham. Although this team showed more skill than our first opponent, we started to play a more strategic game.

We came away with a 1-0 score. Well done to all the girls and I look forward to the next round.



Above: 15 Girls Soccer Team

We thank Mr Bergmans for driving the bus as this allowed the cost of the excursion to remain low. If any families have spare soccer boots they no longer use, please think about donating them to the girls soccer team.

Miss Downey
Coach

Parent/ Teacher Interview Session Years 7-12 Wednesday July 21st 4 – 6 pm in School Hall.

All students have been issued with a letter & booking form. Once the booking form is signed by parents or

carer, students may start booking appointments with their teachers. All enquiries to the school office.

M Rowe/ M O'Leary
Coordinators

Finley High School to Celebrate Canada Day – Thursday July 1st

The students and staff of Finley High School will be celebrating Canada Day on Thursday July 1st. Students do not have to wear their school uniform on the day and are encouraged to wear red and white or other costumes/articles that represent Canada. Activities for the day include morning roll call trivia, a lunch-time student-teacher floor hockey game, prizes for the best-dressed students and Canadian themed lessons in some classes. The PDHPE practical classes will be playing lacrosse (Canada's National Sport) and floor hockey throughout the day. Students are encouraged to participate and enjoy the day helping Ms. Read celebrate Canada's 143rd Birthday.



Boys and Girls Under 15's Basketball

The Boys and Girls under 15 Basketball teams travelled to Deniliquin on Thursday June 3 for the preliminary round of the Riverina Competition. The boys, coached by Mr. Tooke, had an impressive win against Barham and lost a close game to a strong Deniliquin squad. Unfortunately the girls lost both of their games, but Ms. Read was very pleased when they managed to score several three point shots in their one-point loss to Barham. Both teams displayed great sportsmanship and teamwork throughout the day. Melanie Purves and Dallas Gowans demonstrated exceptional initiative and leadership when called upon to umpire several games throughout the day. Thank you to Mr. Tooke for

driving the squads safely to and from the competition.



Above: Under 15's girls basketball team

Finley District Board of Christian Education

The FDBCE currently employs Stuart Martin to teach scripture at Finley High School. As Scripture teacher Stuart teaches years seven, eight and nine students one lesson per fortnight. The board also was able to obtain a grant from the Australia government which enables Stuart to act as School Chaplain two days per week. Stuart does an amazing job at Finley High School ensuring our students receive a Christian education and also in his role as School chaplain is able to offer spiritual support to staff and students. Stuart is also involved in all aspects of school life and coordinates other leadership courses and encourages student's involvement in the community.

To finance this venture the combined churches of Finley and surrounding districts make annual contributions. We also have a public fund where anyone can make a tax deductible donation. We also run annual fund raisers like the Progressive Dinner. The next one will be held in Finley on 24th July commencing at the Catholic Church Finley at Finley at 6.30 pm. We would love as many people as possible to support this dinner not only to help us meet our financial commitments but also to come and have fellowship together and learn more about this exciting ministry at Finley High School.

If you would also like to make a tax deductible donation please send cheques made out to FDBCE and forwarded to our Treasurer Glenda Webb, PO Box 148, Finley. For Progressive Dinner tickets and bookings see either one of the local churches in Finley or ring Jacqui Robertson on 58860105 after hours. Tickets for are \$15 a single or \$30 for a family for an three course meal.

Jacqui Robertson
Chairperson

Soup and Slices wanted for Careers Expo Day

Wanted soup and slices for Careers Expo Day Tuesday 22nd June. 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

- 18 K Babington
- 21 Deb Jewell
- 22 N Curtin
- 23 P Vanbeek
- 24 M Robertson, C Milburn
- 25 J Loughman
- 28 D McLean, W Cleve
- 29 J McAllister
- 30 C Moloney

July

- 1 S Robertson
- 2 D Thomas

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 21st 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 parentworkshop@optusnet.com.au

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 12th July to Friday 16th 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.

SRYC Snow Camp

SRYC Snow Camp is coming up on 6 – 8 August. For bus timetable and details contact Mrs Kathy Dempster or the front office for registration and information forms. Cost is \$170 for skier/snowboarders plus ski hire or \$140 for non skiers. Snow camp accommodation is in warm cabins at Wandiligong Holiday Village. Enjoy a day at Mt Hotham. Saturday evening speakers & band. Cost will include entry to Wandiligong Hedge Maze and a visit to the Beechworth Bakery on Sunday. Registration forms and payment can be posted or emailed to sryc@bigpond.com with direct deposit receipt.

Finley Show Society Inc. - TRIVIA NIGHT

Date: Saturday 3rd July, 7 pm Start

Where: Bob Close Pavilion

Details: Tables of eight, \$10 per person. BYO drinks and nibbles. Supper provided. Lots of Prizes!

Bookings to Carol 58852732 by July 1st