



# Finley High School Newsletter

Principal: Mrs H McRae

Deputy Principal: Mrs P Jackson

16<sup>th</sup> June 2016

## KEY DATES

### June

- 15 – 17 Holbrook Sheep and Wool Show
- 17 Riverina Cross Country
- 20 Rural Fire Brigade demonstration and recruiting
- 23 Defence Force visit
- 24 Beanies for Brain Cancer
- 29 Senior Social

### July

- 1 Last day of Term Two
- 18 Staff Development Day
- 19 Students first day of Term Three
- 21 Careers Expo for Years Eleven and Twelve.
- 22 NSW Combined High Schools Cross Country

### August

- 4 Riverina Athletics - Albury
- 5 Poll Dorset Youth Day.

### November

- 21-25 Work Experience

## Principal's Report

This week Mrs McRae is attending the Secondary Principals Conference in the Hunter Valley. This is a valuable experience as it allows all Principals to engage with educational leaders in seminars and workshops focusing on current educational issues and best practice. The knowledge she brings back to the school helps support our teachers and students to achieve at a higher level.

## Great news on the sporting fields

Hayley Doohan, Katie Archer and Savannah Wilson recently represented FHS in the Riverina girls Under 15 AFL team which competed at Albury. From this Hayley was selected to represent NSW in the Australian carnival to be held in Maroochydore in July. This is a truly great honour and we wish Hayley well.



Tom Whelan, Luke Bramley, Jack Sexton and Ben Ashley-Cooper represented FHS in the boys' equivalent of this competition, played over three days in Albury last week. The Riverina team they played for made it to the grand final, going down to Combined Catholic Colleges. Jack made the Merit Team, which is a team made up of NSW public school students.

Congratulations to all of the students for representing the Riverina.

The school has also had students participate in soccer, basketball and netball competitions in the past two weeks. Thanks to Mr Maxwell, Miss Scott and Mrs Sexton for organising these excursions and parents for helping transport the teams to and from each venue.

### **Excursions**

In the last two weeks students have had the opportunity to participate in a broad range of extra-curricular activities including debating, chess and agricultural shows. These have been organised by Mrs Littlejohn, Ms Begbie, Mr Webb and Mrs O'Leary respectively. Early next week, Miss Scott will be escorting the senior Legal Studies class to Albury to view a sitting of the Supreme Court. It is satisfying to see so many students take up the challenge to extend themselves by engaging in these events which broaden their educational experiences.

### **FADAMS**

Our dedicated P & C have again this year catered for the FADAMS performances over two weekends. This is a major fundraiser for the school and I would like to pass on my thanks to every parent, student and staff member who has assisted in catering for and serving at this event. In particular, the Hospitality students, under the guidance of Ms Street and Mrs Maxwell have prepared over 500 delicious desserts. This is a wonderful effort and a valuable industry learning experience.

I'd also like to congratulate the students that are part of the FADAMS team, performing and assisting backstage in the production. Those that have already seen the performance report it is a very entertaining evening so I urge you to take the opportunity to attend.

### **Formal Assembly**

The next Formal assembly will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> June at 12.30pm in the school hall. We would like to invite all parents attending the formal assembly to stay for a cup of tea or coffee and some afternoon tea with our executive staff. This will provide an opportunity to chat to each other and to the executive of the school to provide us with feedback on some of the things that are happening at school.

### **School Charter**

Next week our whole school staff meeting will be focusing on reviewing the FHS School Charter and whole school discipline policy to ensure the key emphasis is on ensuring behaviour in every classroom encourages learning.

Tricia Jackson  
Relieving Principal

## Under 15's Basketball in Deniliquin

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016 our Under 15 boys and girls basketball teams travelled to Deniliquin to play in a Round Robin against Deniliquin and Barham.

The boys were up first against Barham. The first half saw Barham take an early lead but the boys were able to bounce back in the second half. Some brilliance under the ring from Duncan got the boys back in the game and they were able to come away with the win, Finley 32 d Barham 22.

We knew Deniliquin would be a much harder game. Persistent defensive pressure from Taylor and Dylan Sibraa forced the opposition to make errors, but we weren't able to capitalise at the other end of the court. Deniliquin had some classy players we could not contain. Final score Deniliquin 29 d Finley 19.

The team included Duncan Clarke, Daniel O'Bryan, Taylor Kleinschmidt, Dylan Maxwell, Marcus Anderson, Riley Dempster and Dylan Sibraa.



The girls played Barham and took a while to find their feet, being their first competitive game as a team. They worked hard and showed great determination throughout the game. Their defensive pressure was great down the court but they weren't able to capitalise on their turnovers as often as they would have liked. Unfortunately they went down to Barham 24-14.

They had a tough game against Deni, where they improved their passing down the court and were able to score more points. They played a very defensive game and were successful in many of their intercepts. Unfortunately they lost to Deni 31-20. They played very well as a team and should be pleased with their efforts on the day!



Back: (L-R) Sascha Jones, Manaia Joseph, Abbey Maconachie, Kezley Murphy-Riddell, Ellie Jones;  
Front: (L-R) Emma Carey, Tiarna Burke, Holly Robinson.

### **Annual Berrigan Shire Youth Futures Employment & Careers Expo.**

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July, Finley High School in conjunction with the Berrigan Shire Council will be hosting the Annual Berrigan Shire Youth Futures Employment and Careers Expo.

Students in Years Eleven and Twelve are all **expected** to participate in this compulsory event. On the day students will attend roll call and then walk to the Finley Recreation Reserve for the day's activities.

The purpose of the day is to encourage and stimulate young people living in our local area to consider training, living, earning and investing in our local area. It also serves to provide a positive link between young people and local employers. Students will get the opportunity to interact and engage both formally and informally with people who have a regional working or business career.

Students will be provided with a **free** morning tea (biscuits/slices) and lunch (salad rolls and fruit) at the Recreation Reserve. Students who have special dietary needs must inform Careers Staff of this prior to the event.

Students will be required to **dress appropriately** for the day under the theme of **"Dressing for a Career of Interest"**. This should see all students attend the day in clothing that represents how they would dress for an appropriate career that is of interest to them. Eg: business suits, lab coats, high-vis work wear, corporate clothing.

Should you wish to discuss any matters relating to the Berrigan Shire Employment and Careers Expo please feel free to contact the Finley High School Careers Staff. As this EXPO will replace normal class room activities for the day please encourage your child to attend this compulsory and very worthwhile and informative activity.

## **Career Happenings**

### ***Rural Fire Fighting***

On the 20<sup>th</sup> June (period 4 in the staff car park) the local Rural Fire Fighters from Tocumwal will be visiting Finley High School. They will be bringing some of their vehicles, such as the fire trucks and utilities for students to do some firsthand investigating on. Students will learn about rolling out the hoses, filling the trucks, how the radios work, what equipment is carried on the trucks and the recruitment process.

### ***Defence Forces***

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> June (period 2 in the MPR) the Defence Force Recruitment team is visiting Finley High School. Students will get to speak with recruitment officers about life in the defence force, available jobs and roles, expected commitments, the Defence scholarships and much more. The recruitment team usually consists of a range of Defence Personnel and usually covers the Airforce, Navy and Army.

We look forward to these visits and hope that interested students get some great information about possible future Career directions. Any parents and care givers are more than welcome to come along and sit in on the presentations.

## **Work Studies School to Work Project**

Once again Finley High School received some School to Work funding to undertake a project around the school. This year the Work Studies Class has been hard at work under the careful guidance of Mr Hugh Crapp and Mr Brian O’Hora in building a passive games area. The students aim is to construct some permanent outdoor game boards for things like chess.

The students were required to plan and design the layout of the games area, price and source the required materials, prepare the area for construction and then construct the game boards. At the end of the project students will spend some time reviewing and evaluating the project.

Such a project benefits not only the school grounds in providing a resource for all students, but in particular it provides those who are working on the project with an opportunity to employ ‘real world’ employment skills such as planning, organising, communication, negotiation and team work. We look forward to regular updates and the eventual opening of the passive games area.



Above: Some of the work studies students building the games area.

## CANTEEN ROSTER

Canteen Contact and Number  
 Mrs Kaylene Dawe 5883 1105  
 ....LADIES, Please note 10am start....

### June

17 K Litchfield, J Crowhurst

20 J Burdon, C Pitt

21 H Harris

22 G Ferguson

23 J Loughman

24 T Jones, R Sharp

27 M Kleinschmidt, D Jewell

28 M McGrath

29 T Anderson

30 T Roe

### July

1 L Bryce, T Clarke

## Finley High School P&C Meeting

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2016  
 7pm in the staff common room (School  
 Admin Building).

The P&C meet every second  
 Wednesday of the month. Everyone is  
 welcome to attend.

[fhspandcassociation@gmail.com](mailto:fhspandcassociation@gmail.com)

# Positive Behaviour for Learning

is coming to Finley High School!

To learn more, watch out for feature articles and more  
information in our newsletters.



# *Community Announcements*

## **“That Sugar Film”- Screening**

A free screening of a documentary “That Sugar Film” will be held at the Finley RS Club on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 3pm.

The film is an insight into how sugar impacts on your everyday life.

Do you know what you are eating and drinking? It is easy to consume sugar without knowing it.

Take advantage of this FREE screening that will reveal the astonishing amounts of sugar hidden in supposedly healthy low fat/no fat foods on your supermarket shelves. It is a real wake up call to those of us that have never questioned what is really in our food. Dental professionals will be on hand to answer any questions after the screening.

This film is suitable for parents and adolescents only.

Please call 58 831 633 for more information or to reserve a seat.

Sponsored by Nimb Dental Clinic

## **Child Dental Benefits Schedule**

The Australian Government announced its intention to end the Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) from 1st July 2016. The CDBS remains open but it will be the decision of the incoming government after the Federal Election to whether it remains.

The CDBS is a dental benefits program where eligible children or teenagers (2-17yrs) can receive up to \$1000 for general dental services over a 2 year period.

Please contact your dentist to take advantage of this dental benefit program.

## **Finley Basketball Association**

Finley Basketball Association are holding their registration night for Teenagers basketball at the Finley War Memorial Hall on Monday 20th June at 6pm.

The Association will be running a mixed teenagers competition for Years 7-12 after school on Monday's during term 3. Each participant will receive a Peak sponsored starter pack. While games will commence at 4pm, all registered players are invited to a free clinic at 3:30pm each week to help develop their basketball skills. The teams will be selected by the Association, so there is no need to get a team together. All you need to do is register. Keep an eye on our Facebook page (Finley Basketball Association) for further details leading up to the registration night. If you have any questions, please contact us at the registration night, via our Facebook page or by email at [finleybasketball@gmail.com](mailto:finleybasketball@gmail.com).



# GET FIT WITH MARTIAL ARTS!



- ▶ Karate
- ▶ Boxing
- ▶ Kickboxing
- ▶ Boot Camps
- ▶ Self Defence Course
- ▶ Personal Training
- ▶ Fun for all the family

Age specific karate classes held weekly at:

**Finley High School (MPR)**  
Tocumwal Street, Finley NSW 2713

#### Tuesday nights

Karate Children 4-6yrs, 7-9yrs, 10-12yrs  
Karate Teens & Adults

**Book NOW for Term 2**  
**Enrolments close soon!**

All classes run as per school terms, with a **FREE** trial class for all new members.

Limited places available so **BOOK NOW!**

All instructors are accredited, have police clearances & first aid qualifications

**FIRST CLASS FREE!**

Ask about our **FREE** uniform to new members

#### Benefits are:

- Improved Self Esteem
- Improved Self Confidence
- Improved Self Discipline
- Improved overall health & fitness
- Increased energy, stamina & endurance
- Increased muscle strength & flexibility
- Improved co ordination
- Reduced stress & anxiety
- Body fat loss / weight loss



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## **FREE** **Legal Advice**

The Hume Riverina Community Legal Service visits

**FINLEY**

**When:** Thursday 4 & 18 February  
Thursday 3 & 17 March  
Thursday 7 & 21 April  
Thursday 5 & 19 May  
Thursday 2 & 16 June  
Thursday 7 & 21 July  
Thursday 4 & 18 August  
Thursday 1 & 15 September  
Thursday 6 & 20 October  
Thursday 3 & 17 November

**Time:** 2pm—3pm

**Where:** Intereach, Shop 1  
Central Arcade, Murray Street, Finley

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**1 800 918 377**