

# Finley High School Newsletter

Principal: Mrs H McRae Deputy Principal: Mrs P Jackson

# 21st July 2016

### **KEY DATES**

#### July

22 NSW Combined High

**Schools Cross Country** 

# **August**

 4 Riverina Athletics - Albury
 5 Poll Dorset Youth Day.
 10 Year Twelve Study and Information Night.

Parent Teacher Night Years

7-12

15 Years Eleven and Twelve

primary industries first aid

course at TAFE.

16 Under 14 boys/girls AFL 9's

**18** Future Moves Campus Visit

25-26 HSC Trial Exams29 HSC Trial Exams

# September

7-9 NSW CHS Athletics22 Year Twelve Formal

Assembly

Year Twelve Graduation

Dinner

23 Last day of Term Three

#### November

21-25 Work Experience

### **Principal's Report**

Welcome back to Term Three.

This promises to be another very busy term. Year Twelve have 46 days of school left to complete learning and preparations for their HSC; subject selections for 2017 will commence during this term; we will start meeting some of our Year Seven students for 2017 as they begin special transition to the school and Years Eleven and Twelve will complete their final Preliminary Examinations and Trial HSC examinations respectively. In amongst this will be the Berrigan Shire Careers Expo, Melbourne Show, Regional Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals and Footy matches. Keep your eyes on the school Facebook page for updates and reminders.

#### **Staff Development Day**

School resumed for staff on Monday which was set aside as a day for professional learning. Instead of all staying at Finley High School, teachers had the opportunity to join with teachers from other schools for professional learning. Eight teachers travelled to Hay to learn more about how to implement ALARM (A Learning and Response Matrix) in their classrooms to assist students in writing extended responses. Twelve teachers travelled to Deniliquin to participate in some learning entitled "Behavability" which looked at developing skills around managing challenging behaviours. Two teachers joined the learning forums in Albury which looked at, among other things, effectively teaching "Gen Y and Z" students while those teachers who remained at school spent time learning some technology skills, reviewing how to give effective and meaningful feedback to improve outcomes and developing role statements and reviewing policies.

The office staff travelled to Urana to learn about the new system on online administration which will begin to be implemented at Finley High School in 2017.

All staff reported the day as worthwhile.

#### International Children's Games

A huge congratulations must go to the students from Finley High School who attended the International Student Games in Taipei in the holidays. Emma Carey, Sascha and Ellie Jones represented the Berrigan Shire in Swimming; Duncan Clarke represented the shire in Tennis; Saxon Burdon, Allan Gardiner, Hayley Doohan, Ally Barlow, Tiarna Bourke, Bailey Coombs and Cooper Bourke represented in Athletics.

All students performed extraordinarily well with many achieving their personal best scores and times in the competitions. Sascha Jones was successful in reaching the finals in two backstroke events and was placed 12<sup>th</sup> in each event across the world of junior swimmers who attended. The girls 4 x 100m relay team flew around the track in under a minute.

I am sure the students from Finley High School and other schools who attended will have made some new friends and experienced the wonders of a new culture. We are proud of you all.

### **Success for Kayla Smith**

During the school holidays, Kayla Smith also competed in two major athletic meets in Canada. Once again Kayla displayed outstanding abilities, achieving first placing in the long jump event. This is an outstanding effort and we look forward to her ongoing success in athletics in the future.

#### **Agriculture**

The school holidays were once again a busy time for our devoted Agricultural teachers and students. Hayley Doohan went to Bendigo during the first week of the school holidays as part of an Isedale family scholarship she won during 2015. She attended the four day camp with students from around Victoria where she was responsible for caring for cattle, washing them, feeding them and parading them.

In the second week of the holidays, Lauren Clarke, Isaac Arnold, Ally Barry and James McCaw went to Bendigo to the Australian Sheep and Wool Show with Mrs O'Leary where Finley High School won the Open Novice Aggregate Breeder for Poll Dorsets. To be awarded this the team won the ram class, came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the ewe class and came 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the lamb class. In the schools interbreed section the team were successful in both the ram and pair of sheep classes.



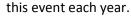
Above: Isaac Arnold in the Novice Ram class.



Above: Aggregate Novice Breeder.

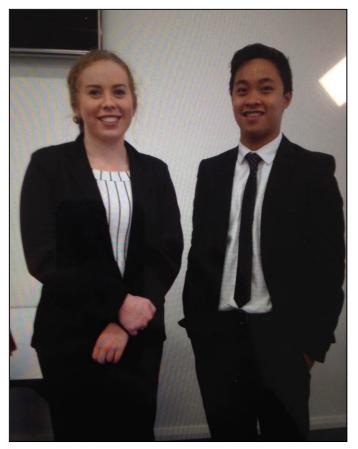
### **Careers Expo**

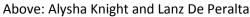
Today, Years Eleven and Twelve are participating in the Berrigan Shire Careers Expo at the Finley Apex Sports and Community Centre. This year speakers include media personality Sueanne McCumstie, Jane Harris, ambulance officers, nurses, policemen and emergency first responders. Sam Ludeman and his singing partner Sam Russell entertained the students and gave an insight into the entertainment industry. I would like to thank our Careers Adviser in charge of organising the event, Mrs White, as well as the team from the Berrigan Shire for the effort and commitment they give to



Left: Students listening to Sam and Sam perform.









Above: Kylie Wooden and Shania MacCullagh



The Berrigan Shire Employment Expo is one of the most important events on the calendar for our senior students each year as they can directly interact with locals in a variety of professions and gain first-hand accounts of a variety of jobs. This knowledge can be invaluable as students begin thinking about transitioning from school into the workplace or to university.

Mrs H McRae Principal

#### **Year Ten PASS**

At the conclusion of Term Two, a group of Year 10PASS students from Finley High School volunteered their time and efforts to enrich the day of a number of young people at Finley Primary School. The high school students planned, organised and implemented a sports and activities day for the benefit of the younger students as part of their volunteering unit in PASS. At the conclusion of the day, the primary school students received a complementary sausage sizzle, prepared entirely by individuals from the Year Ten group. The Year 10PASS students would like to thank Haynes Butchery and The Finley Bakery and Patisserie for their generous donations.



Above: Students setting up an activity.

Below: Primary students participating in an activity.



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Above: Students participating in activities.



#### **HSC 2016 Study Guide Available**

Valuable advice for success in NSW's 50<sup>th</sup> HSC exams has been published today in the Sydney Morning Herald (SMH) and online.

The <u>HSC 2016 Study Guide</u> includes **information for students**, as well as parents looking for ways to understand and support their children in the lead up to HSC exams later in the year.

Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) President Tom Alegounarias said 2016 marks the 50th year of the HSC, which has continuously evolved to reflect our constantly changing world.

"2.3 million people have sat HSC exams since 1967 so it is a topic we all know something about.

"What the HSC 2016 Study Guide offers is **more than 50 articles** by people with in depth, current knowledge – HSC teachers, BOSTES Inspectors, mental health experts and former high achieving students.

"This year, more than 69,000 students (50,000 more than in 1967) are on track to complete their HSC, and enter the next phase of their lives with a credential respected by employers and universities around the world.

Go to <a href="http://www.smh.com.au/national/education/hsc-study-guide">http://www.smh.com.au/national/education/hsc-study-guide</a>

You should find a plethora of practical and useful information and advice as you prepare for your HSC.

# CANTEEN ROSTER

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

July

**22** K Litchfield, K Barry

25 M Read, H Mortlock

26 P Neessen

27 L Knight

28 J Burdon

29 K Litchfield

### August

**1** A Lee, C Pitt

2 R Lockhart, F Aull

3 H Harris

4 C Moloney

5 M McCaw, J Chellew

# Finley High School P&C Meeting

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 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

#### For sale by tender

Finley High school has four canoes, two kayaks and a trailer that are available for purchase either as a package or as separate items, whichever achieves the higher price.

The canoes are 13 feet long of fibreglass construction and can seat two passengers. They all require some repair and all take on some water to varying degrees.

The Kayaks are plastic and no longer have their internal buoyancy foam. This would need to be replaced before they would be safe to use. The Kayaks also take on water. The trailer is a 6ft by 4ft with a 7ft drawbar and override brakes. It requires some repair. The brakes, wires, lights, tyres and spring bushes need replacing. There is some rust in the tail gate and floor. The canoes and trailer were commissioned in 1988.

If you would like to make a tender for purchase, please make it in writing or via email to: The Principal, Finley High School Tocumwal street, Finley NSW 2713 E-mail: finley-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

If you would like to know any other details or to view the canoes, please contact Michael O'Leary on 0429831311. Tenders close 4<sup>th</sup> August 2016.



# DENILIQUIN JUNIOR GIANTS REGISTRATION & INFORMATION NIGHT

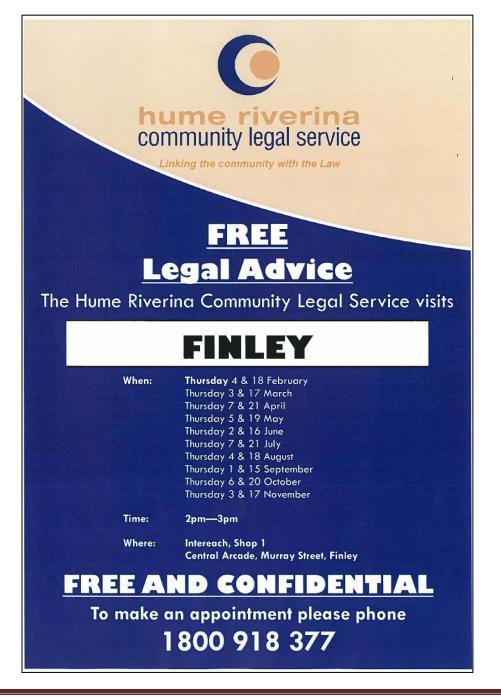
Wednesday 27th July 5-6pm @ basketball stadium

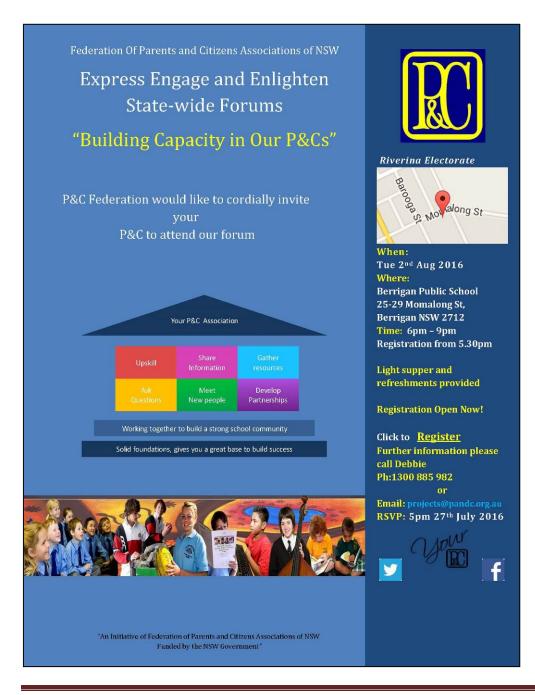
Deni Junior Giants are seeking interested players for the 2016/17 tournament season Age groups: Under 12's, 14's, 16's & 18's for both Boys and Girls

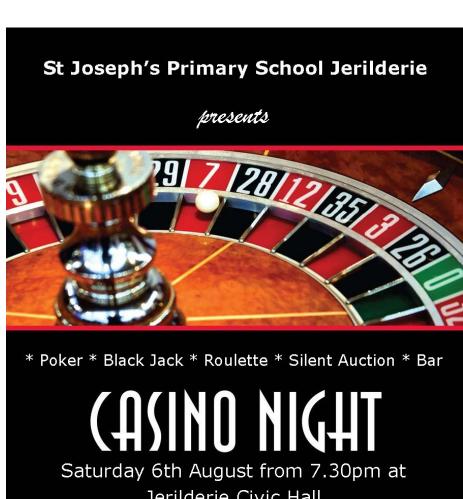












Jerilderie Civic Hall

Tickets \$40

(includes \$40 play money and canapes)

\$1000 cash prize up for grabs

For more information contact Karen: 0410491315