



Finley High School Newsletter

Principal: Mrs H McRae

Deputy Principal: Mrs P Jackson

2nd May 2017

KEY DATES

May

3	Cross Country Breakfast Club Parent Teacher Evening, 4pm to 7pm
4 – 5	Year Twelve Melbourne Tertiary Tour.
8	Open Boys and Girls AFL
9-11	NAPLAN (Years Seven and Nine) Future Moves Visit
10	Breakfast Club Parent Teacher Interviews 4pm to 7pm Future Moves will also be in attendance at the Parent Teacher Session. P&C Meeting, 7pm, Staff Common Room
12	Athletics Carnival
16	15 years Boys and Girls AFL
17	Breakfast Club

Apologies for the lateness of the newsletter. We have had server issues at school since lunchtime on Thursday last week and have only just gotten them back online today.

Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term Two.

This term is shaping up to be a huge term. Athletics carnival, cross country carnival, NAPLAN, Year Eleven Half-Yearly Exams, Parent/Teacher Evening, school reports, MADDD Night and an information evening for Year 6 students and parents.

State and National Swimming

At the end of last term, three students travelled to Sydney to compete in the Combined High Schools State Swimming carnival. Tom Burton, Zac Sartore and Sascha Jones represented Finley High School in the Riverina team. All three of our students achieved outstanding times with Tom Burton taking a massive 20.22 seconds off his entry time in the multiclass 50m backstroke and Sascha Jones achieving a stunning 4th in the 100m backstroke. This is an amazing achievement from Sascha who completes much of her training with the Finley Swimming Club in our local 25m pool. Sascha has been selected to represent NSW at the all schools championships in Sydney on May 12th. We wish her our absolute best wishes.

In the holidays, Sascha also competed in the National Age Swimming Championships in Brisbane. She swam PBs in her lead up events and finally placed 8th in Australia and 10th overall against international competitors in the 100m backstroke event. We could not be more proud of Sascha. Her commitment and dedication to her sport has well and truly paid off. Great effort, Sascha!

Youth Day

Youth Day was held on the last day of Term One. Students dressed in the colours of the rainbow and participated in some fun-filled activities throughout the afternoon. I congratulate the SRC on their impressive organisation of the day and positive commitment to the school by organising this day for our Finley High School students.

NSW Premiers ANZAC Memorial Scholarship

Zac Barlow has won the NSW Premiers ANZAC Memorial Scholarship. Finley High School was one of hundreds of schools from across the state who applied to participate in the ballot for this major event! Our school was selected as one of the twenty two schools to send representatives to the Western Front on this government sponsored trip.

Nine students from Years Ten and Eleven submitted artefacts which commemorated the history of our war heroes on the Western Front during WWI. They each supported their application with an interview with a panel consisting of Paul Jones (P&C President), Ryan Lock (Finley RSL Sub Branch) and me. All applications were outstanding.

Zac's interview and speech reflected his passion for history and his desire to learn more about those diggers from WWI. Zac will travel to the Western Front in Europe in the September school holidays.

ANZAC Day

Tuesday's ANZAC services were well attended by our students. I felt so proud marching with the students of Finley High School. Through the rain in Berrigan, drizzle in Jerilderie and the sunshine in Finley, all students looked great and were exceptionally respectful of each other, others in the community and to the memory of our diggers.

At the Finley service, Zac Barlow read his essay on the ANZACs to the community. Lauren Clarke and Fraser Taig read prayers and several other students assisted the RSL Club in bearing flags and banners in the march. Almost 100 students attended either the Dawn Service or the 11 am service in Finley to represent the school.

After the Finley march, seven of our nine students who applied for the Premier's ANZAC Scholarship went to the RS Club for the unveiling of a plaque for the Lone Pine before moving into the auditorium to speak informally to local residents about the artefacts they made for their application. I would like to thank Stephanie Harris, Eloise Ashley-Cooper, Zac Barlow, Emma Marsden, Isabella Jackson, Hayley Gow and Georgia Webb for giving their time for this event.

In Jerilderie, Paige Nash and Kiara Keating represented the school as flag bearers for the town. Thirty Finley High School students braved the weather to pay their respects to local heroes.

In Berrigan, where the rain was steady as we marched to the hall, the ten students who represented the school did so with the utmost respect, led by Zeke Carruthers and Lauren Clarke. Tom Whelan spoke to the Berrigan community about his family's history in past conflicts.

In Tocumwal, Hannah Heaney, Piper Hicks and Rose Chamberlain played their part to represent Finley High School in their local ANZAC service. Each read a prayer and they led the students of Finley High School before laying the wreath.

Yesterday, the Year 9/10 World History class led the school in its own commemoration of ANZAC Day. The program they presented allowed us to reflect on the poor conditions in which our diggers found themselves on the Western Front. It was a moving tribute and I congratulate them on their efforts to present this to the school.

New staff

This term we welcome some new staff to the school.

Miss Infanti has joined the Special Education and Support faculty, replacing Ms Stratton who has moved to Melbourne.

Mrs Marsden and Miss Coates will fill in for Miss Ritchie in teaching Science and will be replaced in their support roles by Miss Parker.

Mr O'Leary and Miss Scott will now be in charge of IXL and Mrs Ryan will be teaching some classes in the HSIE faculty.

Congratulations Georgia Webb

Georgia Webb has been selected as one of twenty four students from across Victoria and southern NSW to complete her Year Ten Work Experience with Herald Weekly Times in Melbourne. Georgia was one of several hundred students who submitted a detailed application to the newspaper. Georgia is to be congratulated on her dedication to achieving her best at all times and I know she is thrilled to have this opportunity to develop an insight into journalism in Melbourne, when she attends work experience in Week 3 of next term.

Uniform

I have attached the Finley High School uniform policy to the end of this newsletter.

Being in uniform not only makes the students look great, it allows them to feel like they are a part of our school. Wearing the school uniform, which has been approved by the P&C, encourages the students to be respectful of the school and its values. It helps them identify as important members of our school community.

Please be mindful to follow the uniform policy when you are purchasing winter uniform for your child. Should you need financial assistance to purchase the correct uniform, please contact me at the school.

Mrs H McRae
Principal

Parent Teacher Evening

Parent Teacher Evening will be held Week Three, Wednesday 10th May, from 4-7pm.

It is preferred that bookings are made online. If you have an email address, or if it has changed, please make sure the school has your current email. Contact Sarah in the front office on 5883 1344.

If you do not have access to email, a paper booking sheet will be given to the relevant students at school.

All students have been given a letter today, which will explain how to book online, using the Millennium. The paper booking sheet will be attached for those who need it. Login information will be emailed next Tuesday. This will go to all parents with emails so it won't be a problem if you have lost your details from last year. We will send a covering letter so that you know to look for your details. The information is generated from the Millennium website, so please look for it once you receive the cover email. Email bookings worked well last year. It would be beneficial to all if more parents provided an email address.

Veronica McNaught
Report coordinator

Careers

Future Moves Visit

The Charles Sturt University Future Moves team will again be visiting Finley High School from Tuesday May 9th through to Thursday May 11th, 2017 to deliver the following workshops as per our ongoing Future Move Action Plan:

- Career In A Bag - Year Seven
- Career Connections - Year Eight
- Steps To My Future - Year Nine
- Subject Selection - Year Ten
- Study Skills - Year Eleven (TBC)

On the Wednesday 10th May, the Future Moves team will be in attendance at the Finley High School Parent Teacher Evening. They will be available for you and your student to speak to about Charles Sturt University.

They are happy to field all questions but if you are looking for some direction they are a great source of information on the following questions:

- 1) Will my child get into Uni? (Alternate Uni pathways).
- 2) Subject selection.
- 3) How to cover the cost of Uni.
- 4) Is University worth it?
- 5) Q&A for any extra questions parents might have.

This is a great resource to tap into and we hope that many of you stop by their desk at Parent Teacher Night and have a chat with them.

Tertiary Tour

Reminder also that next week Year Twelve students head to Melbourne on their Tertiary Tour and to the VCE Age Careers EXPO on Thursday and Friday, 4th and 5th May. Please ensure if your child is attending that they are at the pick-up points on time and that they have packed the necessary items as per their notes.

Work Experience

Reminder to Year Ten students that all Work Experience documentation is due back to Mrs Philpot ASAP. Please ensure all parts are signed and completed before returning the forms.

Start Smart

On Wednesday 24th May we will have a visit from the Commonwealth Bank's Start Smart program. They will run workshops for Years Seven to Ten on issues such as saving money, making smart money choices regarding purchases, smart investing and how to start making money in their youth. Should you have any questions on this please feel free to contact the Careers Staff.

Berrigan Shire Careers and Employment EXPO

This term will also see students in Years Eleven and Twelve participating in the Berrigan Shire Careers and Employment EXPO for Youth on 7th June. This is a great day for students to get out of the school grounds and interact with local businesses and business personnel. We encourage you to support this program by ensuring your child attends this day.

Mrs White and Mrs Philpot
Careers Advisers

Year Eight English

Last term, Year Eight studied how Identity is represented in texts. They watched and analysed the award winning short film, *The Lost Thing*, and the play, *Skate* by Debra Oswald. Part of their assignment was to create their own 'lost thing'. Ben Chesworth's was outstanding so it is included here. Ben was inspired by the work of famous picture book artists, such as Jeannie Baker, who create their images in layers. Ben made his lost thing from items he found on the farm and then photographed it. Congratulations to Ben for this excellent work. Students also wrote scripts featuring their lost things and many of these were excellent but they are too long to feature here.

Well done to Ben, and others, who did their best in term one.

Mrs McNaught
English Head Teacher

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Finley High School Uniform Policy 2017

<p><u>Girls Summer</u></p> <p>Green and white check dress or Black tailored shorts and Finley High School polo shirt White/black/grey socks Black leather shoes Bottle green windcheater/jumper Senior jumper (Years 11 and 12)</p>	<p><u>Girls Winter</u></p> <p>Bottle green skirt with black tights/stockings/socks Black pants (not tracksuit pants or leggings) Finley High School polo shirt White/black/grey socks Black leather shoes Bottle green windcheater or jumper Senior jumper (Years 11 and 12) Black school jacket (optional)</p>
<p><u>Boys Summer</u></p> <p>Mid-grey shorts (above the knee) Finley High School polo shirt Grey/white/black socks Black leather shoes Bottle green windcheater/jumper Senior jumper (Years 11 and 12)</p>	<p><u>Boys Winter</u></p> <p>Grey trousers or shorts Finley High School polo shirt Grey/black/white socks Black leather shoes Bottle green windcheater or jumper Senior jumper (Years 11 and 12) Black school jacket (optional)</p>

Sports uniform for PD/H/PE and sport sessions

Plain white polo shirt (no writing on shirts)
 Black shorts
 Runners, white/grey/black socks
 Black tracksuit pants
 Green school jumper/top

Additional notes –

- ❖ **Shoes** - *It is compulsory for all students to wear full leather school shoes. This rule is designed to give student's feet maximum protection and will be fully enforced.* See over page.
- ❖ **Hats** - It is strongly recommended that all students wear a hat when involved in outside activities such as PE, Sport, at the farm, or on any excursion or outside activity. School hats can be purchased from the canteen for \$15. They include reversible bucket hats or baseball caps.
- ❖ **Jackets** – Students are not to wear sporting jackets or 'hoodies'. Students are encouraged to wear the black jacket in cold weather.

Finley High School Footwear

The school expects students to follow Department of Education and Training Policy and the Workplace Health and Safety Act 2000, and the determination of its own WHS committee by wearing **enclosed leather, lace-up, buckle or Velcro fastened shoes**. They **must cover the whole top of the foot** and have a low heel. **Students must not wear skate shoes, black soft ballet style shoes, open top Mary-Jane shoes, canvas/synthetic or similar material type shoes**. If you are not sure what footwear is acceptable then please consult the school before buying new shoes. A salesperson at a shoe shop will NOT necessarily give you the correct advice in terms of approved school styles. Please check with the school.

These styles of shoes are ACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR –they are all black, they cover the whole top of the foot and they are all leather-



These styles of shoes are UNACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR –they are either made of canvas, or are synthetic and/or they do not cover the whole top of the foot, have 'holes' in the top of the foot, and /or they are not black-



Note - students who may have a medical condition that requires them to have special footwear should produce a statement from their doctor to that effect.

Finley High School P&C Meeting

Wednesday 10th May 2017
7pm in the staff common room
(School Admin. Building).

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

fhspandcassociation@gmail.com

CANTEEN ROSTER

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

April

28 M Haintz, K Barry

May

1 M Read, M Kleinschmidt

2 C Alexander

3 H Harris

4 T Anderson

5 J Congdon, L Bryce

8 K Lunn, J Orro

9 R Lockhart

10 T Doohan

11 L Bryce

12 K Litchfield, T Clarke

Finley High School – 2017 Winter Menu

	Rolls	Sandwiches	Tubs of Salad	
Chicken Salad	\$4.70	\$4.30	Roast Chicken	\$4.50
Ham Salad	\$4.20	\$3.50	Ham	\$4.00
Tuna Salad	\$4.70	\$4.30	Tuna	\$4.50
Salad (no meat)	\$4.20	\$3.50	Salad (no meat)	\$4.00
Tuna	\$4.00	\$3.80	Extra beetroot, mayo and carrot	\$0.40
Roast Chicken	\$4.00	\$3.80		
Ham	\$3.30	\$3.30		
Cheese	\$2.50	\$2.50	Extras	
Tomato	\$2.20	\$2.20	Cheese and bacon roll - large	\$2.20
Egg/Curried	\$2.20	\$2.20	Cheese and bacon roll - small	\$1.30
Vegemite	\$1.70	\$1.70	Hedgehog (Mon-Fri) small	\$1.75
Peanut Butter	\$1.70	\$1.70	large	\$3.50
Ham and Cheese	\$3.50	\$3.50	Muffins	\$3.50
Buttered	\$1.40		Vanilla Slice (Wed)	\$3.50
Wraps			Large flavoured milk	\$3.60
Roast Chicken	\$4.70		Long life flavoured milk	\$2.00
Ham	\$4.20		Large orange juice	\$2.10
Hot			Small orange juice	\$1.60
Chicken Burger	\$5.00		Flavoured drink large	\$2.50
Hot Dogs	\$3.70		Water	\$1.50
+ Cheese	\$4.00		Plain milk	\$1.50
Chicken Wrap	\$4.30		Sport Water	\$2.00
Pie	\$4.60		JJ's (flavoured)	\$1.00
+ Sauce	\$4.80		Toasted Sandwiches	
Pastie	\$4.60		Ham and cheese	\$3.50
+ Sauce	\$4.80		Cheese	\$3.00
Sausage Roll	\$2.70			
+ Sauce	\$2.90			
Chicken Burger				



Ladies Afternoon Tea Party Plan Fundraiser

Finley Public School P&C
Sunday 7th of May
Time 1-4pm

*This year a donation
of the door sales will
be donated to
Breast Cancer
Foundation
Tickets at the door
On the day
\$15.00*



*Come along and join us at
The Finley Rec Reserve
Enjoying beautiful sweets
& treats, local party plan
displays, raffles
Champagne on arrival
RSVP to: Mardi
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By 03/05/2017
Early bird tickets \$10.00*



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Please join us monthly, to meet, discuss and support

'Grandparents Parenting'
the rewards, challenges and unique experiences.

Date: First Monday of the Month

10:00am - 12:00pm

Venue: Centacare Finley

2 Coree Street, Finley NSW 2713

Light Refreshments Provided

For further information or to register your interest please contact :

Tammy 0429 129 613 or Patricia 0448 772 010

Visit the office at: 2 Coree Street, Finley

Or email: caulfieldt@centacareswnsw.org.au or weekesp@centacareswnsw.org.au



St Joseph's Primary School Jerilderie

presents



* Poker * Black Jack * Roulette * Silent Auction * Bar

CASINO NIGHT

Saturday 6th May from 7.30pm at
Jerilderie Civic Hall

Standard Ticket \$35 pre booked or \$40 at door
(includes \$40 play money and canapes)

High Roller Ticket \$90 pre booked or \$100 at door
(includes \$130 play money and canapes)

\$1000 cash prize up for grabs

**For more information contact St Joseph's on: 03 58861475 or
After hours Cath Rorato on: 0428497016**



Corridors of Connection ~ Places of the Billabong Creek

APRIL 2017

For those of us living along the Billabong Creek, we're very pleased to learn that Murray Local Land Services is funding a photographic essay to capture the great diversity of places and spaces along our vital and unique creek.

My name is Helene Mortlock and my family own a small but much-loved place alongside the Billabong Creek in Jerilderie. I also run Jumptree Studios, a local organisation supporting The Billabong Creek by building places, initiatives and networks that promote sustainable futures for us all.

Murray Local Land Services is funding Jumptree Studios to create a photographic essay featuring 20 different places that have connection to The Billabong Creek. The images will be part of an online gallery and will be featured in an exhibition in late 2017 to which all participants and communities along the Billabong Creek will be invited.

Would you like to share your place on the creek?

The Billabong Creek is the longest creek on earth, winding its way from the foothills of the Great Dividing Range to the plains of southern central New South Wales. For this essay, we seek 20 properties/places (private or crown) located anywhere along the creek, from Walbundrie in the east to Moulamein in the west. It may be your place, or you may like to encourage family, friends or neighbours to share their connection to the Creek.

Our aim is to capture in images and anecdotes the essence of the Places of the Creek. It could be a place you live, or your ancestors lived. A place you farm, camp, fish, drove, built a cubby house, swim, pump water from, farm, water livestock or garden, because the creek and its waters are present.

To register your interest in being one of those 20 places shared or for more information please contact me Helene Mortlock at jumptreestudios@gmail.com or on 0409 029 564. I look forward to meeting you and your place on the creek, big or small - you just have to appreciate it.

We welcome your early response, so we can find a convenient time for you. Your own images are welcome to be part of the story too. Please get in touch ASAP as I will be booking times to shoot soon.

Yours sincerely

Helene Mortlock

m: 0409 029 564

Love the 'if' in Life.



The Billabong Creek  *The longest creek on earth*

CORRIDORS OF CONNECTION

Places of our Billabong Creek

INVITATION: For your place to be part of a Photographic Essay about The Billabong Creek.

AIM: To capture and share images, anecdotes & essence of the Places of the Creek.

REGION: From Walbundrie in the East to Moulamein in the West of Southern NSW.

SEEKING: 20 Places. It could be your place that speaks of your connection to the Billabong Creek.

REGISTER: Get in touch to register your interest or find out more. Shooting commencing soon.

CONTACT: Helene Mortlock at jumptreestudios@gmail.com or on 0409 029 564

*Along the corridors of the creek there are places...
campsite, fishing spot, hut, humpy, homestead, bridge and woolshed
that tell something of the story of our Billabong Creek, the longest creek in the world...*

