



# Finley High School Newsletter

Acting Principal: Mrs P Jackson

Relieving Deputy Principal: Ms E Downey

31<sup>st</sup> May 2018

## KEY DATES

### June

- 4 – 8** Year Eleven VET Workplacement
- 4** NSW CHS Girls AFL
- 6** Breakfast Club  
Homework centre at Finley High School Library, 3:30pm to 4:30pm  
Homework centre on the road at Jerilderie Catholic School and Barooga Public School
- 5 – 7** NSW CHS Boys AFL
- 8** Zone Athletics
- 11** Queen's Birthday
- 12** AECG Meeting, 7pm in the staff common room.
- 13** Berrigan Shire Employment Expo, Years Eleven and Twelve.  
P&C Meeting, 7pm in the staff common room  
Breakfast Club  
Homework centre at Finley High School Library, 3:30pm to 4:30pm
- 13 – 15** Holbrook Sheep and Wool Show
- 15** Riverina Cross Country
- 20** Homework centre at Finley High School Library, 3:30pm to 4:30pm

## Principal's Report

### Year Six to Year Seven Transition

It was our pleasure to host the families of Year Six students from the surrounding area last Wednesday evening to introduce them to Finley High School. Ms Archinal, the Year Seven Advisor for 2019, led the evening with students and teachers taking small groups on a tour of different sections of the school before returning to the hall for a group session.

Ms Archinal will be visiting primary schools at the end of this term and beginning of next term to get to know the students and let them ask questions about Finley High School. I encourage any parents with questions regarding transition to high school to contact Ms Archinal on 03 5883 1344.

### Year Ten Work Experience

A huge thank you to our local business houses and organisations for hosting Finley High School Year Ten students last week, giving them a taste of life after school. Your time and effort is invaluable in helping young people make choices about future careers. Many of you made wonderful comments about the young people who were working for you. Well done to the students for rising to the challenge.

If there are any business people out there, who would be interested in hosting a student for one or two weeks please contact Mrs Philpot at the school.



Left: Max Roe at Jerilderie Mobile Diesel Mechanics.

## Riverina Representatives

Next week, Will Sexton and Shadeau Brain head off to Sydney to represent Riverina Murray in U15 Boys' AFL. I wish both these talented players all the best and look forward to hearing about this carnival and the girls carnival which was mentioned in the last newsletter.

## Extra-Curricular Opportunities

Finley High School offers students many opportunities in areas outside the classroom. In the next two weeks a large number of students will represent the school in Zone Athletics, Year Eleven VET students will be undertaking Work Placement and a team will travel to the Holbrook Sheep Show.

This newsletter is full of great team and individual achievements by students following their passions with the support of parents and teachers. The amazing Interschool Equestrian Team, Hannah Heaney's fantastic trip to China as part of the Tri-Nations Water Ski Team, and Georgia Webb's public speaking are just a few. I encourage you to read about the broad range of opportunities undertaken and encourage all students to take up opportunities when they arise.

## Updating Student Health Details

Student's health can change over time and it is important that the school is kept up to date with any changes. Carers of students, with known health conditions, were contacted this week to update our records. If you weren't contacted or your child has a recently diagnosed condition please contact me.

Mrs P Jackson  
Acting Principal

## HSC Minimum Standard Update For Parents Of Year Ten Students

As part of the NSW government's minimum standards for reading, writing and numeracy all students in Year Ten will be required to demonstrate that they meet these standards by completing a series of online tests. All students in Year Ten will be required to sit this test in the coming four weeks. An information sheet from the NSW Education Standards Authority will be given to students in Year Ten next week during year meetings. If parents or carers have any questions concerning the online tests please feel free to contact me at the school.

Yours truly,

Thomas McCarney  
Year 10 Advisor

## Public Speaking

On Friday I went to Albury to participate in the Plain English Public Speaking competition, in which students from Years Ten to Twelve present speeches, usually based on topics they are passionate about. We had to first present a prepared speech eight minutes long, and then a three minute impromptu speech on the topic 'Princess Brides'. My prepared speech was on hunger and food insecurity, about how these issues effect people around the world and in Australia in particular. It was very interesting to hear the different speeches the other participants presented, and the winner, from Tumut, was well deserved.

Georgia Webb



## Tri-Nation Water-Ski Competition

My China trip 2018, was an amazing experience, not only was it the first time that I have represented Australia in a show ski competition, it was my first time going to China, and the first time being on an overseas trip without my parents. The Chinese Water Ski Association were wonderful hosts, looking after the Australian Ski Team as well as the American Ski Team. This experience is one of my life long goals, it was a short, but very jam packed trip, visiting three major cities in China; Beijing, Chongqing and Shanghai. I am hoping next year after I have completed my HSC, that I will be able to work overseas in a professional ski show. Unfortunately, Australia did not win overall, with China taking out the title, USA second and Australia third, but we scored the highest in showmanship and music.

Hannah Heaney



Above: The Australian Team. Hannah is in the front row, 3<sup>rd</sup> in from the right.



Left: The Australian Team in the Pyramid formation.





Above: Hannah Heaney (far right) with some of her team members



Left: The Australian Team competing.



## Scots Equestrian Interschool Competition

Finley High School had five riders compete at the Scots Equestrian Interschool Competition on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Meg Marsden, Georgia Lunn, Courtney Lunn, Sophie Griffiths and Caitlin Griffiths competed as a team for the event where Finley High School placed 8 out of 46 schools. The girls all represented Finley High School beautifully and had the following individual placings:

### Meg

- 6<sup>th</sup> in the 90cm Senior Jumping Equitation

### Georgia

- 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Novice 2.2 Dressage
- 1<sup>st</sup> Senior 75cm Jumping Equitation
- 4<sup>th</sup> Senior 75cm Show Jumping
- 4<sup>th</sup> Senior Rider and Mount
- **4<sup>th</sup> Overall Senior Rider**

### Sophie

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Intermediate 1.2 Dressage

### Caitlin

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Intermediate 1.2 Dressage

The girls really enjoyed the event and we congratulate them all on their wonderful achievements.



Above (L-R): Caitlin riding Panorama Royal Miss (Georgie) and Sophie riding Benita PD (King).



Above: Meg competing in show jumping.





Left: Georgia competing in show jumping on her horse Paris.



Right: Courtney competing in show jumping on her horse Darcy.



Left (L-R): Meg, Georgia, Caitlin, Courtney and Sophie.



## Athletics Carnival

The carnival was held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May and it was a great day overall. Students were engaged with the activities and as the photos show, commitment and effort were displayed by many over the course of the day. Year Twelve cooked a barbeque lunch which everyone appreciated. Finley was the winning house, something which hasn't happened for a while. Congratulations to the age champions and runners-up who are listed below. It's a big day for teachers and students but it's always lots of fun, culminating in the staff versus students relay. I'm not sure if I'm remembering it properly (?) but I'm sure the teachers must have won! (There are always a few shenanigans happening when it comes to this relay.)

Thank you to Mr McCarney for organising the day and for everyone else who contributed to making it a memorable day.

Veronica McNaught

Right: Year Twelve students, Hamish Congdon, Stephanie Wright, Jessie Read, James Balcombe, Mitchell A'Vard and Kayden Sharp.

Below: Year Nine boys competing in the 100m running event







Above: Age Champions 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Back row left to right: Jai Armstrong, Cooper Burke, Robbie Hamann, Jonathan Shen, Justin Lawton, Isabella Kelly, Jemma Coombs and Ally Barlow. Front: Sabrina Taylor, Hayley Doohan, Tiarna Burke, Lily Sharp, Meg Marshall, Stella Mason, Caitlin Griffiths, Dakota Pyle. Students missing from the photo: Tristan Ogilvie, Chris Lucas-Maher, Hunter Mathers, Allan Gardiner, Nick Baldwin, Dylan Maxwell and Niamh Mason

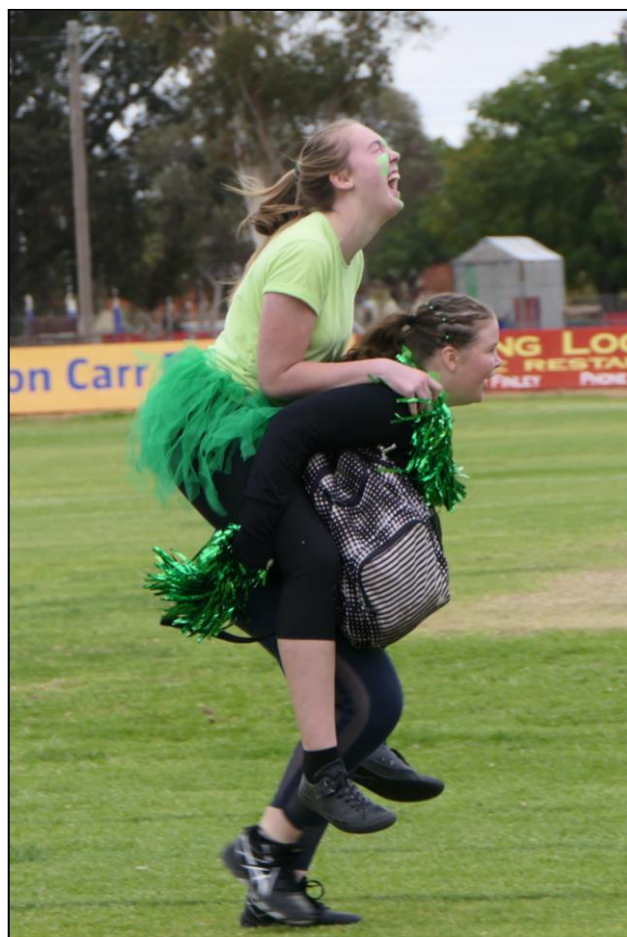
Below: Abi Litchfield competing in high jump.







Above: Daniela Gargaro competing in long jump.



Above: Kiara Warenycia and Sarah Orro enjoying the activities.



Above: Year 10 boys, Back L-R: Nichollas Lunn, Ben Neessen, Lachlan Osborne, Esteban Simoes (French exchange student) Jacob Boyd, Clay Webb and Glen Dilullo. Front: Jalen Rogan





Left: Nick Baldwin, Fastest Boy, and Isabella Kelly, Fastest Girl.

Below: Lily Sharp, Karla Nicholls and Ally Barlow





## Future Moves

On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May Finley High School hosted the Future Moves Team from CSU lead by ex-Finley High School student Tim Roebuck. Tim lead groups of students from Years Seven to Eleven through workshops and activities that looked at skills and mindsets required to aspire to future success post school. Students in Years Nine and Ten completed problem solving tasks and communication games whilst working collaboratively in small groups. Workshops focused on finding and matching skills/interests with a job they want to do and subject selection respectively. Year Eight students played a careers game of "life" where they experienced the concepts of balancing lifestyle payments and weekly bills on their set budgets. The true expenses of life became quite real to a few who ended up bankrupt. Year Seven students completed the "Career In a Bag" activity where they matched everyday life activities and tools to possible career pathways. Finally, Year Eleven students, having already done their study skills workshop with CSU early this year, looked at some transition issues for post school.

These workshops will now be followed up with interested students having the opportunity to attend an on Campus Day at CSU Thurgoona in August where they can attend up to three university style tutorial sessions in areas of interest.



Left: Ben Anthony, Archie Mason, Edward Haynes and Hugh Burton play the game "Life".



Below: Courtney Lunn, Isabella Kelly and Lucy Armer also playing the game "Life".



## Work Experience

The first round of Work Experience for Year Ten took place in Week Five.

Students worked hard to place themselves in various work places ranging from the agricultural industry, education, service industries and medical areas.

Locations varied as well, with one student travelling to the Northern Territory. Various students worked in Melbourne, Albury, Orange and one in Sydney. Our local employers deserve recognition for their ongoing generosity in providing their businesses to students. Without their support this program would not be possible.

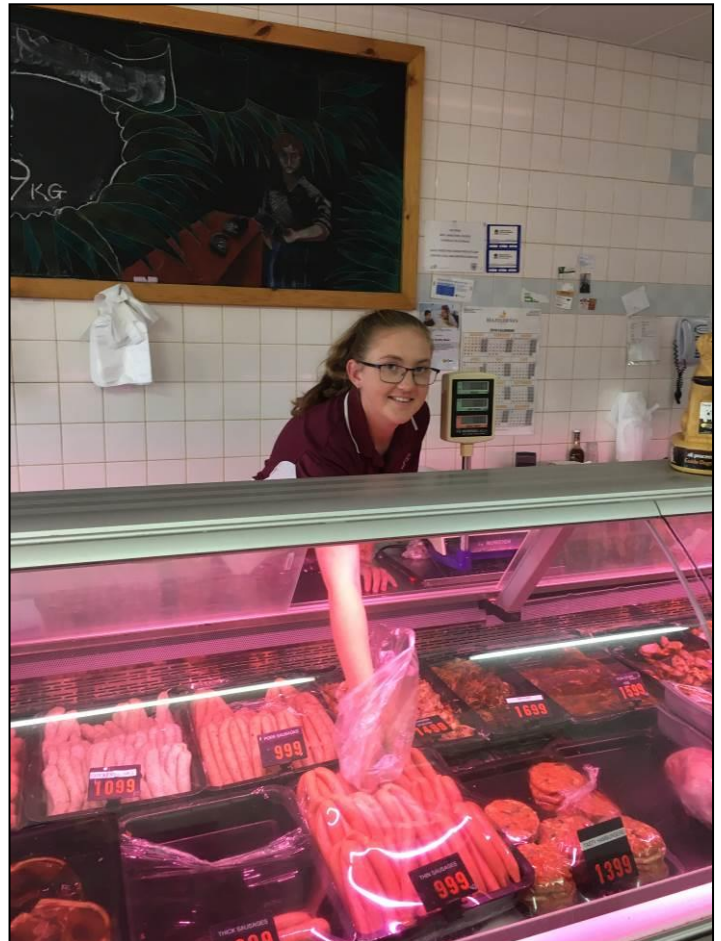
I tell the students that the greatest testimony an employer can make is the offer of ongoing work at their business and this time was no different with various students being offered offers of work and apprenticeships. One employer told me the he “would put him on tomorrow if he could”!

The feedback from the students ranged from some students absolutely loving their workplace and not wanting to come back to school to others saying they enjoyed their week and others declaring that their specific workplace was not for them! That’s what it’s all about!

Jenny Philpot  
Careers Teacher



Above: Elle Rochford at Finley Vet Clinic



Above: Keeley Thomson at Finley Quality Meats.





Above: Gabbrielle Taylor-Tran at Tocumwal IGA.



Above: Jaide Eddy at Lush Hairdressing in Tocumwal.



Left: Micaelie Price at Arthur Real Estate.



## Aboriginal Artwork Update

David Dunn recently visited the school to continue working with students on the special Rainbow Serpent timeline artwork. David has a powerful influence, particularly with disengaged students, and his visits are highly valued. A range of students enjoyed the opportunity to acknowledge, celebrate and showcase local Aboriginal culture through artwork. Students researched local history while finalising the timeline design. Other students painted and restored the playground picnic tables. Well-done to the students for their efforts and enthusiasm. The Rainbow Serpent is expected to be finished this term

Kate Allan-Georgas  
Special Education Teacher/Girls Advisor



Left: Mia Neessen and Charlotte Mason painting.



Above: Emily Anderson, David Dunn, Joshua Anderson, Lorina Williams, Kate Turley, Tamzin, and Stella Mason.



## Year Twelve Goal Setting Workshop

Last week, Year Twelve students enjoyed participating in a Goal Setting Workshop. Students greatly benefited from the opportunity to reflect on their own values as they approach their transition out of school. “Values are not just words, values are what we live by” - John Kerry. Through identifying their values students were able to consider where they want to be in five years. The students were encouraged to consider their personal skills, character and grades in setting personal goals. During the session students wrote a letter to themselves detailing their hopes for the future. The workshop was a success, with students appreciating the need for planning and the importance of having both short and long term goals to lead a fulfilling and successful life.



Right: Year Twelve students setting goals.

Kate Allan-Georgas  
Girls Advisor/Special Education Teacher

## Inter-school Chess Competition

On Tuesday, the chess team, comprising of Shirsho, Will, Edward and Cooper, played Xavier High school in the third round of the NSW Junior Chess League Competition. It was our home game, but we were still a bit worried, as Xavier had put us out of the competition last year. Fortune was on our side, with the team playing very well we came away with a 3 - 1 win.

This was our second win for the tournament, having beaten Oaklands Central School in the first round and made up for the loss in round 2 to Deniliquin Christian School. We look forward to finding out who we will be up against next time.

A Begbie  
Chess co-ordinator





## FHS P&C

Helpers are required for FADAMS  
catering  
on the nights of

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June,  
Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June,  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June and  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

If you are able to assist  
please call Kaylene or Bernadette  
on 5883 1105.

## Finley High School P&C Meeting

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2018  
7pm in the staff common room  
(administration building)

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

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

## CANTEEN ROSTER

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

### June

1	K Litchfield, J Burdon
4	D Pyke
5	S Robinson
6	R Sharp
7	A Lee
8	L Koschel, P Neessen
11	<b>Queen's Birthday</b>
12	J Crowhurst
13	K Steel
14	J Loughman
15	K Arnold
18	S Congram, K Lunn
19	F Aull
20	K Chesworth
21	L Bryce

## Brekky Club

Every Wednesday at 8:30 am

Hot Milo, juice and toast  
No cost

Donated by local clubs and  
organisations.



## Minutes of the Finley High School P&C Meeting

**Date of Meeting:** Wednesday, 16th May 2018 (Rescheduled from 9<sup>th</sup> May due to ADDD Night)  
**Meeting Opened:** 7:08pm  
**Attendance:** Peta Neessen, Kaylene Dawe, Carmen Lawton, Tricia Jackson, Jodi Brown, Sasha Congram, Paul and Anne Jones.  
**Apologies:** David Marsden, Lorna Koschel, Tracy Doohan

### Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Accepted as a true record of the meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

**Moved:** Anne Jones

**Seconded:** Peta Neessen

### Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

- Electronic Board – Up and running
- 20's Block roof – Replacement of the roof completed, have noticed flaking paint on the ceilings however, next project for consideration.
- Canteen Security Cameras – Installed and operational
- Canteen cool room – Installed, shelves installed and operational
- Canteen
  - Pies - bakery v's Mrs Mac's pies - Kaylene advised that both pies are selling, students are realising Mrs Mac's are cheaper, about ½ dozen to 1 dozen pies a day of Mrs Mac's being sold depending on the day, unless students request Mrs Macs pie they are served bakery pie.
  - Muffins (K&A) are selling out.

### Correspondence Inwards:

- **P&C Federation** – Newsletters & Journal
- **Nat Aust Bank** – Account Statement
- **Finley Newsagency** - Invoice for Document Box and Account Book
- **Mogg Osborne** – Statement
- **St Joseph's P & F** – Cheque \$2400.00
- **FADAMS** – Quote Acceptance for 2018 Theatre Catering
- **Tricia Jackson** – Paul Huggett NSW Police
- **P & C Community** – Newsletters April & May
- **Healthy Kids Association** – Up coming workshops
- **Federation P & C Association NSW** – 2018 Casual Vacancies
- **Australian Charities & Not for Profit Commission** - 2017 Annual Information Statement
- **Google Gmail** – Privacy Policy and Controls
- **ATO** – Help for Not for Profit Organisations

### Correspondence Outwards:

- Nil Outgoing

All Correspondence Accepted

**Moved:** Anne Jones

**Seconded:** Kaylene Dawe

**Treasurer's Report:** No report presented in David's Absence

**Opening Cheque Account Balance:**

**Closing Balance:**

**Term Deposit:**

**Moved:**

**Seconded:**



**Canteen Report:** Reports presented by Sasha for April 2018 as attached

- Balance Sheet Net Assets \$92,355.45
- April 2018 Profit & Loss Net Loss \$2,611.28
- YTD Profit & Loss Net Profit \$3,860.83

Term Deposit matured, no notification from the bank regarding maturity, Sasha enquired into current location of money and reinvesting, bank advised her she is not a signatory, Anne to provide copy of AGM minutes to Sasha and David to update bank signatories, so Sasha can reinvest the term deposit into an appropriate term deposit.

**Moved:** Sasha Congram

**Seconded:** Carmen Lawton

**SRC Report:** *No report*

**Principals Report:** Presented by Tricia Jackson, as attached.

- Paul welcomed Tricia to the P & C Meeting as Acting Principal.
- Principal Appointment – Mr Jeff Ward, will be holding a morning tea for Jeff 28<sup>th</sup> May to meet and greet staff teachers and members of P&C and AECG.
- MADDD
- Sporting news
- Heaps Deadly
- Second hand shop generosity
- Biggest morning tea
- Professional learning

**Moved:** Tricia Jackson

**Seconded:** Jodi Brown

**General Business:**

- **FADAMS** – Theatre Catering for 2018, Kaylene once again will be co ordinating the operation. This year we will have 2 meats Beef & Pork supplied by Haynes Butchery, Harris Spuds and Pumpkin, with vegies etc from IGA. At this stage bookings are slow. Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June – no bookings, Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – 40+ bookings. Notices to go in the Finley High School newsletter for helpers.
- Parent enquiry regarding health of a staff member who had recently been unwell. Confirmed they are well.
- 2018 Year 12 Graduation Formal Assembly Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September.

**Meeting Closed:** 8:12pm

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 7pm





**NAIDOC Week Celebrations**  
are held across Australia each July  
to celebrate the history, culture  
and achievements of Aboriginal  
and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

# CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

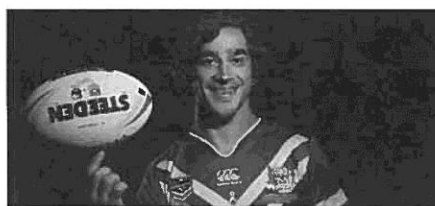
Entry is open  
to all students  
in Years 7-9

"Choose an Aboriginal song or film and explain  
what it means to you and why you have chosen  
this particular song or film."

## INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS TO ASPIRE TO



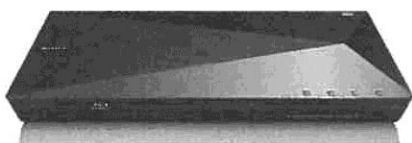
**Jessica Mauboy**  
Indigenous Recording Artist



**Jonathan Thurston**  
Indigenous Rugby League Player

\*\*1000 words or less. Entry  
must be typed and on A4  
paper. Please ensure name  
and grade are clearly included  
on both your work and on  
the official NAIDOC School  
Initiatives entry form.

## PRIZES



BLU RAY PLAYER



SONY MEGA BLASTER



DIGITAL CAMERA



SONY PS4



SAFE DRIVING LESSONS

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Australian Government

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

All competitions: Entries must be received by close of business on Friday 22 June 2018 at the co-ordination centre, GPO Box 454, Sydney NSW 2001. Judging will take place on Thursday 28th June 2018. Winners will be notified through principals, presentations will take place at school assemblies with your local Mayor, Elders and other dignitaries.

# Leukaemia Foundation

# WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE™



**Isobelle, Simi and Emma  
are taking part in the  
World's Greatest Shave!**

If you'd like to sponsor us go to:

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/finleyhighschool>

or cash donations can be made at the FHS front office.

Any donation is greatly appreciated ☺



# WIN



John Deere  
XUV590i  
RRP \$18,100

## Jerilderie Public School P&C Raffle

**\$10 per ticket**

Drawn Wednesday 17/12/18 at Jerilderie Public School



Presentation Night

Supplied by:



Winner notified by phone and announced on JPS facebook page and printed in 'Just Jerilderie' Southern Riverina News

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# MRS BARBARA FOX'S FAREWELL

28 YEARS  
OF SERVICE

June 15, 2018

7:30 PM

BERRIGAN COMMUNITY CLUB

RSVP: FRIDAY, 8TH JUNE  
BERRIGAN PUBLIC SCHOOL  
0358582209

SUPPER: \$20 PER HEAD