



Finley High School Newsletter

Principal: Mr J Ward

Deputy Principal: Mrs P Jackson

Fortnightly Newsletter

19th September 2019

KEY DATES

September

16 – 20 Year Eleven Yearly Exams

20 – 27 Year Eleven Work
Placement

25 Year 12 Graduation
Assembly 12:30-1:30pm

26 Year 12 Formal Dinner

20 - 29 Royal Melbourne Show

27 Last day of term

October

14 First day of term

15 AECG Meeting, Staffroom,
7:30-8:30pm

16 P & C Meeting, Staffroom,
7pm

30 Proud and Deadly Awards,
Deniliquin, 9am-2:30pm

November

18-21 Year 10 Excursion to
Sydney

December

2-6 Year 10 Work Experience,
2nd session

Principal's Report

Farewell year Twelve

Another term is about to conclude, and we bid farewell to another group of Year Twelve students. This year twelve group, my first at Finley High School, have been a delight, I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know them and have spent considerable time chatting at recess, lunch, in the library or out and about at the weekend football or even local IGA.

To the leadership group of Captains Riley and Emma and Vice Captains Ben and Georgia, thank you for making my job easier. Our regular meetings have been a mixture of discussions relating to school directions and considerable discussion relating to matters pertaining to their own life goals and future. This Friday I continue a tradition of mine in taking the leadership group out to lunch to thank them for their efforts in 2018/19. Next week we celebrate the Year Twelve Formal schooling with breakfast, assemblies and graduations.

Then it's time to put the head down and prepare for the HSC exams which begin on Thursday 17th October with the English paper. Can I also thank the current year advisor, Miss Philpot, who has done an outstanding job in supporting the students and thank their past year advisor, Mrs Laxton, for support of the group. Good luck Year Twelve and all the best for your future.



Thanks for the surprise in my office, I thought I was in the Lunar module heading to Mars.

Year Eleven Life Skills Excursion to Melbourne

Today I write to you from Melbourne University where I am staying with five students, Mrs Wheeler and Mrs Bryce. We are here on a Year Eleven Life Skills Excursion and thus far it has been amazing. To Brooke, Kenielle, Gabby, Max and Phillip you have been fantastic. The day started with an early drive to Shepparton, bus to Seymour, train to Melbourne and tram to Flinders Street. A walk across the Yarra to the Arts Centre for our first venture into the Australian Music Vault and a walk back in time, the dancing to countdown hits was a favourite. Whilst there we checked into where we would see the show Laser Beak Man and had the pleasure of meeting Tim Sharp, the creator. Photos with Tim and quality time talking with him and his mother was a highlight. From here we ventured into the National Gallery of Victoria, to see the Terracotta Warrior Display. Dinner was a hearty pizza in Lygon St followed by some chocolate delights. Wednesday's highlight was the Laser Beak Man show, which was wonderful, again meeting up with Tim before lunch and heading home. It was an absolute pleasure getting to know these five wonderful students and sharing such a fantastic experience with them. A big thank you to Mrs Wheeler and Mrs Bryce.

Congratulations Larshya

We congratulate Larshya who recently travelled to Sydney representing Finley High School in a State Public Speaking Competition. Although Larshya was unsuccessful she did an outstanding job and will be better for the experience as she is still able to compete in 2020. Well done Larshya we are very proud of your achievements.

Local Football & Netball News

Last week I congratulated a number of students for their successes with a number of teams in the district. I would like to wish the Finley Netball under 13's team and coach, Ruby Russell, all the best for the Grand Final this Saturday. Also congratulations to Blighty Netball Under 15's and 13's who were runners up in their respective grades in the Picola League. A wonderful achievement in making the Grand Final. Well done also to Hayley Doohan who was awarded a Best and Fairest for the Shepparton Bears Youth Girls Football Club.

Uniform

I recently sent advice to all parents that we are currently reviewing the school uniform. We have formed a committee of parents, students and staff and are making great progress in delivering a uniform that is affordable, smart, comfortable and specific to what the school demands. Our committee is meeting weekly and we aim to release the new uniform to the community very soon. If you are considering buying a new uniform, please hold off as the changes we are making are different to the current uniform. Our aim is to have every year seven student wearing the new uniform on day one of 2020. We envisage that a considerable number of students in other grades will also want to wear the new uniform. We aim to phase out the old uniform throughout 2020.

Melbourne Show

Once again, we are sending a contingent of staff and students to the Melbourne Show with our stud stock. Everyone has been working hard to ensure the cattle and sheep are ready to go and we wish everyone all the best. Can I thank Mr and Mrs O'Leary, Mr Webb and Mr Close for the time they put into this event to ensure everyone is ready and supported.

School Holidays

Term 3 ends on Friday 27th September. Students will have two weeks of school holidays before returning to school on Monday 14th October. Please note there is no Staff Development Day on the first Monday of Term. We hope that all families have a happy and safe two weeks. In my recent address to the school during the term 3 Formal Assembly I thanked everyone for making me feel so welcome at Finley High School, at the end of this term I have been here one year. Not a day goes by when I remind myself how lucky I am to be here at this great school.

Wellbeing Report – Hanging of Aboriginal Artwork

On Tuesday 3rd September, Finley High school hung Aboriginal artwork outside the science block to acknowledge Aboriginals and the importance of culture at Finley High School. These artworks were created with local Aboriginal artist David Dunne and Finley High School Aboriginal students.

Finley High School celebrates the partnership between Aboriginals and non-Aboriginals alike, and the growth we've had together as a community.

Aboriginal art is often linked to ceremonies and rituals. It's a very important part of the Aboriginal culture, and is often based on dreams. We use this as a sort of ceremony or celebration to bring us all together as a school.



Farewell to Leeola

This Friday we will say goodbye to School Chaplain Leeola. She, along with a large number of girls, will work on things like art and crafts, sewing, crocheting and knitting this Friday, as they do every Friday, for the last time.

During her time at Finley High School Leeola has been responsible for supporting the spiritual, social and emotional wellbeing of the students. School chaplains have a key role in supporting the spiritual wellbeing of their students, regardless of faith or beliefs. As a School Chaplain she was able to provide support for a range of day to day matters affecting the school community and communicate effectively with diverse groups.

The School Chaplains support and work with the Principal, the school's student wellbeing staff or equivalent to refer students to appropriate services when required.

We, as a school, thank Leeola for her time helping the students at Finley High School and wish her the best in her future at Holbrook. She will be sorely missed.

By Emma Vidler and Mr Tom McCarney

Sydney State Athletics



Above: Erica Nicholls, Sienna Burke, Josie Coombs and Jasmine Burke



Above: Ally Barlow



Above: Karla Nicholls



Above: Daniela Gargaro

Ally Barlow: 800m, Jasmine Burke: 800m and Relay, Sienna Burke: 800m, High Jump and Relay, Josie Coombs: 200m and Relay, Daniela Gargaro: Long Jump and Shot Put, Erica Nicholls: Relay, Karla Nicholls: Javelin, Long Jump.

SEPTEMBER – Finley High School Team

September is a charity event that challenges people to take 10,000 steps a day, for 28 days during the month of September, in order to raise incredibly important funds and awareness to support people living with Cerebral Palsy (CP) right across Australia and the world.

We had a number of students approach the school asking for help in organising a team to register. We have had a large number of students sign up. We are very proud of all the students and their initiative in wanting to be involved in such a great event.

There will be opportunities at school for the students to get their steps up, what a great way to challenge themselves and each other. If you would like too, you are able to donate via the September page to Finley High School or by a student's individual name.



Above: Some of the students who have signed up for 'SEPTEMBER'

Scholarship Applications

Applications for the Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program are open for 2020.

The Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program is an academic enrichment program designed to support high achieving Victorian Year 11 and Year 12, and select secondary students living close to the New South Wales and South Australian borders. The Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program (KLD) offers high-achieving students the opportunity to engage with the University through a program of events and activities at Melbourne university's Parkville campus. If you're eligible, you'll get the exciting opportunity of experiencing university life and taking part in a range of academic events and activities, facilities to help you achieve your best – plus get a head start on your future studies and career! When you finish your secondary studies, you could also be offered a guaranteed place in an undergraduate degree, financial assistance to move to Melbourne, and an overseas scholarship during your studies.

Includes

- Access to exclusive campus events
- Guaranteed place at MU (ATAR 95+)
- Global Scholarship up to \$2500
- Help with moving up to \$2500
- Access to MU library
- Access to student support services

To be eligible to apply for the Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars program, students must be:

- In Year 10
- Enrolled at high school in Victoria or border region (SA and NSW).
- Endorsed by their school.

Students will be selected based on:

- Their school endorsement
- Academic performance: students should be in the top 5 per cent of students in their year level.
- Leadership potential: students must demonstrate evidence of leadership, active citizenship and community and extracurricular involvement

Interested Year 10 students are encouraged to put in an application by 14 October. Late applications will not be accepted. Schools will be informed of their successful KLD applicants via email by 22 November 2019.

<https://study.unimelb.edu.au/study-with-us/programs-for-high-achievers/kwong-lee-dow-young-scholars-program/how-to-apply>

STEPS TO FOLLOW

1. Get your school's endorsement: this is required as part of your application. Schools can endorse a maximum of five applicants so make sure you speak to your teachers about this early.
2. Prepare and have the right information for your application. Take some time to think about the questions and get a teacher or parent to check over what you've written before you submit it. It's a great idea to write your responses out in Word before you input them into the portal.
3. Apply online before the cut-off date of mid-October.



Riverina 2 RAECG



Riverina 2 Proud & Deadly's

(Deniliquin Proud & Deadly's)

The Riverina Regional Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (RAECG) invites you to help celebrate the 2019 Riverina 2 Proud & Deadly's Aboriginal Education Awards on:

*Wednesday October 30th 2019 at the Deniliquin High School (MPC)
from 10:30am – 1:30pm*

The Proud & Deadly Aboriginal Education awards celebrate and highlight the Academic achievements of all our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students within the Riverina 2 AECG Region.

School communities participating include:

Barooga, Barham, Balranald, Conargo, Deniliquin, Finley, Hay, Mathoura, Mayrung, Moama, Oaklands and Tooleybuc.

Award categories represented throughout the award ceremony range from Academic Excellence to Citizenship Awards. The Proud & Deadly's is a highly valued event within the Riverina 2 AECG Regional AECG.

Please help promote the Riverina 2 Proud & Deadly's throughout your community/s.

RSVP:

Matthew Daniels

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In Unity

Riverina 2 Aboriginal Education Consultative Group
(RLAECG)

This event is supported and endorsed by the NSW Department of Education and the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (NSWAECG).

CANTEEN ROSTER

Canteen Contact and Number

Mrs Kaylene Dawe 5883 1105

....LADIES, please note 10am start....

September

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23 C Moloney

24 T Doohan

25 P Neessen

26 W Daniel

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October

14 M Read

15 T Clarke

16 J Blackmore

17 L Bryce

18 C Lawton

Finley High School P&C Meeting

Wednesday 16th October, 2019
at 7pm in the Staff Common Room
(admin building)

The P&C meet the second Wednesday of the
month.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

fhspandcassociation@gmail.com

FINLEY COMMUNITY GYM

**Is offering FREE classes to
ALL women of our local area.**

**Sharon Hatty will be taking 1 hour classes (Pump,
Spin, Boot camp, etc) on the following days
starting TODAY and continuing for 12 months**

Wednesdays 10.30am & Thursdays 4pm

This activity is funded by



Finley Community Gym Inc. Murray Street, Finley. 0427 003 674

JERILDERIE PUBLIC SCHOOL

CELEBRATES

150 YEARS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF FUN

FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2019

Sir John Monash Annual Dinner & Lecture

Jerilderie Civic Hall, commencing 6.30pm
Guest Speaker Mr Michael Bennett, great grandson of Sir John Monash
Contact Murrumbidgee Council for bookings, telephone: 03 5886 1200

Jerilderie District Race Club – 100 Club Draw

Jerilderie Sports Club 7.00pm - \$2000 cash voucher
Tickets available from Murrumbidgee Council or Sports Club on the evening

SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2019

Jerilderie District Race Club–Gold Cup Races (gates open 11.00am)

Visit the Jerilderie Public School Marquee
For marquee/umbrella bookings contact Jerilderie Race Club:
alecia18@icloud.com or follow on facebook @jerilderieraceclub

Meet & Greet and Disco

Jerilderie Sports Club
Enjoy dinner and dance into the evening with Steve Locke Entertainment

SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2019

Jerilderie Public School 150th Anniversary Celebrations

9.00am - Registration commences
10.00am Official Welcome, including guest speaker, Mr Michael Bennett
Time capsule reveal and tree planting ceremony
11.00am-3.00pm - Memorabilia display in classrooms, school tours
12.30pm - Barbecue Lunch
Cake Cutting Ceremony

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Monash Dinner and Oration

Friday 20 September 2019

6:30 pm

Jerilderie Civic Hall

**This year's guest speaker is
Mr Michael Bennett,
(Sir John Monash's great grandson)**

Tickets: \$50 per person

Tickets include a two course meal and the oration.

Tickets available from Murrumbidgee Council Jerilderie office.

**Applications are now open for
Murrumbidgee Council's bursary of \$2,000.
The recipient will be announced at the dinner.**

**More information: T: 1300 676 243 | E: mail@murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au
www.murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au**



Finley Golf Club

Junior Competition

Sunday 22nd September at 10:30am

Followed by a BBQ Lunch

Suitable for all ages and abilities

Supervised by experienced golfers.

