



## 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021 | Finley High School

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Newsletter Week 2, Term 4, 2021

### Key Dates

Date:	Event:
October 29	World Teacher's Day
December 2	Presentation Day – Students Only
November 9 - December 3	HSC Exams
December 16	IBL (Interest Based Learning) Day – All Students
December 16	Last Day of Term 4 – All Students
December 17	Last Day Term 4 - Staff

### A word from Mr Ward

Welcome to the final term of 2021, I hope everyone had a wonderful break. This term is eleven weeks long and school students will finish on Thursday 16th December and staff on Friday 17th December. We have returned to school on Level 3 restrictions. These restrictions are the same as they were in the last week of Term 3. A number of our activities are currently on hold and once restrictions ease, we will make plans to restart them. Visitors are currently restricted. Please phone the office for all enquires. Thank you for your ongoing patience and understanding.

### Ministers Award

This week we held a ceremony at school to congratulate Brian O'Hara and Daniela Gargaro in recognition of their wonderful achievements in being awarded 2021 Minister's and Secretary's Awards for Excellence. These ceremonies usually take place in Sydney with the Minister and Secretary, however due to Covid restrictions this was not possible. So in front of a small group of family and supportive staff we were able to hold a special and unique celebration with photos, words of recognition and a small morning tea. Therefore, on behalf of the students and staff in public schools across NSW, thank you Brian and Dela for your commitment to public education.

### Welcome

I would like to welcome 4 new faces to Finley High School. Miss Anne Wadsworth comes to us from Albury High School. She is trained to teach both English and History and will be a welcome addition to the school. Next week Mr Jack Maslin, who



is qualified in Mathematics and HSIE, will be joining the staff. This is his first permanent appointment after doing a practicum with us in 2020. Also in HSIE we are fortunate to have Mr Damien Lucas from Newcastle University. He will be with us for his 6 week practicum. Finally we also welcome Charlise Morley who is doing a practicum under the guidance of Jodi Brown in student support. Charlise is a former student so it is wonderful to welcome her back.



### **New Canteen Staff**

I would like to welcome Kate Steel and Sharon Crouch who join us in the canteen. They are welcome additions to the school and we look forward to working with them well into the future. Just a reminder the canteen is a P & C run and led organisation, all profits we receive from the sale of food, drinks and uniform comes back to the school. It is our major fund raiser so your support of the canteen is very much appreciated.

### **HSC Class of 2022**

Each year one of my favourite duties is to welcome the Year 11 cohort to their HSC year on the first day of Term 4. This day is one to remember as the students enter their final year of secondary education. This is a wonderful achievement and I would like to wish each and every one of our Year 12 2022 cohort all the best.

### **Hospitality Upgrade**

We have received plans from the Department for the upgrading of our old hospitality room. Since arriving at the school I have worked towards upgrading this room and we are getting closer to achieving this goal. Everything is on track to have this completed for the start of 2022.

### **Presentation Day**

We will not be able to host our traditional presentation evening under the current COVID-19 restrictions and with the pressing need to begin preparations for end of year celebrations of achievement, we will be following the same format that we used last year for the annual awards. There will be a Presentation Day, where students will participate in an award ceremony with their year group. The SRC members from each year group will officiate the ceremony for their year. Each year group will have a different time slot for their ceremony to limit numbers in attendance to comply with current regulations. A "Presentation Day" booklet will be produced that will have the names of all students who have achieved an outstanding result in a particular area. The booklet will contain an address from the Principal and the P & C President, as well as some highlights of the 2021 year.

Each student who is presented with an award will have their photograph taken with the award that they have received. This photograph will be inserted into the Presentation Day booklet as a memento. The awards along with the booklet and photograph/s will be sent home with the student in the last week of school. In the case of Year 12 students or the students who have already left us, we will post out awards.

Circumstances may change over the coming weeks and months and we may be able to make adjustments including parental attendance. We will keep you informed of any changes to these arrangements.

### **Senior Area Upgrade**

Congratulations to Mrs O'Bryan, Mr O'Hara and the team from Year 12 work studies who completed the turf area in the senior area. A wonderful initiative and has made a big difference.

*Jeff Ward*  
**Principal**





## School Counsellor

Hi everyone,

I've met many of you in my 9 months at Finley High School so far, but for those who I might still be an unfamiliar face to, I'm Maddy the School Psychologist. I wanted to say a big thank you to the school community for making me feel so welcome. Finley High is a great school and I really enjoy being a part of it. As of this term I will be at Finley High an extra day per week. My days will be Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. For those of you unfamiliar with my role, my core business is helping young people develop skills and strategies to deal with life's challenges and to take committed action towards a life guided by their values. Students can self-refer through appointment slips outside the school counsellor office or by sending me an email at [madeline.scott11@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:madeline.scott11@det.nsw.edu.au).

I look forward to getting to know more of you in the future 😊



## School Visitor Check-in

**A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18 October!**

The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW [COVID-19 mandate](#). [External link](#)
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

### Who can use School Visitor check-in

- Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.

Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in.

School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18 October at all NSW Government schools.

For more information visit School Visitor Check-in on the department website.

## HSIE

### History Competition

Earlier this semester Larshya Sutharsamohan competed in the National History Competition, a 45-minute test with 50 multiple choice questions that require the use of historical sources to answer. Nationwide 7,745 students sat the exam with 4,191 of those coming from New South Wales. Larshya did extremely well in what was a difficult exam and received a distinction. Her overall mark was 84; 18 above the state mean and 17 above the national mean.

Congratulations Larshya on an outstanding result and for representing Finley High School with pride. We are all very proud of you.

## Careers News



### Stage 5 TAFE Automotive

This week a group of Year 9 & 10 students headed to Deniliquin TAFE to start their 8 week Stage 5 Cert 1 Automotive course. The students involved will spend 2 days per week over the coming 8 weeks attending both practical and theoretical automotive classes at the TAFE. This is a great opportunity for our students to get a taste of the adult learning environment encompassed by TAFE, learn some automotive skills and knowledge and to reinvigorate their interest in learning. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families involved for their commitment in getting these students to and from Deniliquin each week. We understand the time commitment for this and appreciate the support of this learning opportunity.

### Mock Interviews

On Tuesday 26th October Year 11 students will participate in the mock interview process.

Students will apply to a "fictitious" advertisement of their choice from a variety of local employers and prepare their resume and cover letter. They will then attend an interview with the employer and experience what it's like to prepare and undergo an interview. Appropriate dress is required. Students are feeling a little nervous; however, this activity is well worth the effort and anticipation. Again, a huge thank you to our local employers.




Dear Parents,

We're excited to announce that parents of Finley High School have exclusive access to Elevate Education's Parent Webinar Series for Term 4, 2021. Elevate works with our students, delivering high impact workshops on study skills, motivation, wellbeing and exam preparation. By tuning into their webinar series you will learn how to better support your children at home through reinforcing the skills they learn at school.

The webinars take place across Term 4, beginning Wednesday 20th October at 7pm. Registration is essential and is free for parents of Finley High School.

Register here <https://get.elevatecoaching.info/au/motivation>

Next Session  is at 7pm on October 20th.

#### Upcoming dates

- **October 20th - Time Management techniques.**
- **October 27th - Stress & Wellbeing management skills.**
- **November 10th - Exam Preparation tips to deepen revision**
- **November 24th - Exam-Room skills**

The webinar is run live online from 7pm – 8pm where the presenter will share Elevate's key research and skills, and will conduct a live Q&A so you can ask them questions directly.

Should you have questions or would like to contact Elevate directly, their details are listed below.

 1300 667 945       [auscoaching@elevateeducation.com](mailto:auscoaching@elevateeducation.com)

 <https://au.elevateeducation.com>       <https://www.facebook.com/ElevateEd/>

## Canteen Roster & Community News

### CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

Contact - 0473 946 683

#### October

18 D. Pyke	25 K. Nicholls
19 F. Aull	26
20 L. Bryce	27 P. Neessen
21	28 K. Steel
22 T. Roe	29 N. Nash

**The Canteen/Uniform Shop is open from  
8.30am – 2.30pm Monday to Friday**

If you cannot fill your rostered day or you swap please notify the canteen on the phone number above.

Thank you.



# SRC UPDATE

## UPCOMING DATES

**TUESDAY 19TH OCTOBER**

2022 Captain Speeches  
and Interviews

School body to vote for  
Captains and Year Group  
SRC Representatives for  
2022

**The SRC would like to  
wish the Captains  
nominees all the best  
with their speeches.**

**Well done to all those  
students who have  
nominated to run for  
the 2022 SRC.**

## Welcome back to Term 4

The SRC would like to congratulate all students who have participated and won recent sporting club awards. This year has been tough as so many school and outside activities were interrupted by COVID-19, we would like to commend everyone on their efforts.

### Berrigan

Miss Geeves - Best and Fairest C Res.  
Matthew Whelan - Best and Fairest 3rds  
Hamish Cameron - Runner Up BnF 3rds  
Caleb Thornton - Coaches Award 3rds  
Yeoj Arcasitas - Most Improved 3rds  
Darcy Pyle - Most Determined 3rds  
Jebidiah MeyerVale - Most Consistent 3rds  
Nick Arnold - Mick Moar Memorial Award 3rds  
Erica Hammond - Coaches Award 15/U  
Tess Middleton - Coaches Award 17/U  
Charlie Baxter - Best and Fairest 4ths  
Farron Urrutia - Coaches Award 4ths

### Tocumwal

Raymond Sutton - Best and Fairest 3rds  
Hayley Palmer - MVP 15/U  
Milly Almond - Most Determined 13/U  
Chloe Mckenzie - Most Improved 13/U  
Cody Palmer - Dedicated and Determined 4ths



# IBL – INTEREST BASED LEARNING



- Thursday 16th Dec
  - Session 1: 9-10:30
  - Session 2: 11-12:30
  - Session 3: 1 – 3:15
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- Select an activity for each of the 3 sessions. You must choose one in each time slot.
  - Remember to have a few back ups in case you don't get the workshop you want.
  - Be aware some activities cost money and some require you to bring your own equipment on the day. This is your responsibility to sort out. Where you have been asked to bring something – those items will not be provided on the day by teachers.
  - If you choose Cattle clipping you must choose it for sessions 1 & 2.
  - When you hear on the daily notices that it is your Year Group's turn to select your workshops bring your cash money and any relevant permission note to the sign up. You will only be signed in if you have your note and money.
  - Workshops will close once full.
  - Please choose wisely as choices will be final.



The Finley Memorial Swimming Pool Committee is seeking expressions of interest for Royal New South Wales Life Saving accredited Students/Staff to work for the coming swimming season. These are remunerated positions requiring two to be present when the pool is open to the public.

It is hoped that we have a warmer summer than last to ensure a good patronage.

Applicants can submit their resume to;

The Secretary,  
Finley W M S Pool Committee,  
P.O.Box 191  
Finley. 2713

OR: By Email To:

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

*We invite you to come along to the*  
**JERILDERIE PUBLIC**  
**SCHOOL OPEN**  
**GARDEN**  
2021

Sunday 24th October  
10am-2pm

Tickets \$20 available at any of the gardens on the day.  
Light Morning tea/lunch available at Lawtons & Roes  
\$10/each includes hot or cold drink  
For further information contact Carmen 0427242148

#### 2021 Gardens

Greg & Carmen Lawton - 104 Showground Rd, Jerilderie  
Brett & Debbie Roe - 65 Oaklands Rd, Jerilderie  
Rick & Victoria Bryce- "Greenacres" 346 Willawa La,  
Jerilderie(Logie Brae)  
Andrew & Julie Sleight - "Koorringal" 536 Boyd La,  
Jerilderie(Bundure)  
Roy & Beth @ Flora Bank - 45 Jerilderie St, Jerilderie



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## Project Parent Power: Provide Support in This Tough Time

### Why Join?

Ethics approval: HREC Register No. 2020-227H

- ❖ Parenting can be challenging and exhausting. We are developing a program that seeks to provide parents with support and encouragement.
- ❖ This program seeks to support parents to **get the best outcomes for themselves and their children.**
- ❖ It is designed to improve **parent well-being** and **student well-being and education engagement.**
- ❖ The program is **evidence-based.**
- ❖ It has the potential to improve student's **academic performance.**

### ❖ Help us support parents in this difficult time!!

- ❖ The study is designed with your busy life in mind.
  - You complete three 10-min self-assessments before and after the program, and 2-min questionnaires weekly during the program
  - You will complete an online Triple P program, which will only require 30-60 minutes per week
  - You will receive brief messages designed to be encouraging, supportive and provide valuable parenting information. The message intervention will only require 2 to 5 minutes of your time each weekday
  - We hope that by providing you with small, "bite size" bits of support in your daily life, we will be able to improve your well-being

### ❖ Participation requirements:

- ❖ **A parent of high school student(s)**
- ❖ **Fluent in English (especially in reading English)**

Contact: Sylvia Wong: [tszying.wong@myacu.edu.au](mailto:tszying.wong@myacu.edu.au)



# 2021

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Entries close at 4.00 pm on Friday 5 November 2021. The successful applicant will be announced at the Remembrance Day Service at the Jerilderie Cenotaph on Thursday 11 November 2021, commencing at 11.00 am. PLEASE SEE FULL REQUIREMENTS ON OUR WEBSITE.

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[www.murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au](http://www.murrumbidgee.nsw.gov.au) - scholarships and bursaries | T: 1300 676 243



Narrandera  
Garden Club *invites you to...*

## GARDEN APPRECIATION DAY

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### 9am – 3pm

In accordance with COVID-19 regulations, a map of town gardens to appreciate from the footpath or roadside ONLY will be available at **The Shady Gum Nursery** for a donation of \$10 per person in support of Narrandera Can-Assist.

Included with the map is a voucher for 25% nursery discount on the day  
(Conditions apply)

**‘How Ya Bean’ Coffee Van** available at the Nursery  
Garden Club will provide a low-cost plant stall

In aid of Narrandera Can Assist – Enquiries: 0428 597 655 Email: [julie.roffe@gmail.com](mailto:julie.roffe@gmail.com)