

29th April 2021 | Finley High School



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Newsletter Week 2, Term 2, 2021

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Key Dates

Date:	Event:
April 30	School Cross Country
May 3 – 7	Year 10 Work Experience
May 7	U15 Boys & Girls Basketball
May 21	Athletics Carnival
May 24	Girls NSW CHS AFL
May 26	Holbrook Sheep Show
May 27	Swan Shield Boys & Girls
June 1 – 3	NSW CHS Netball
June 8	MADDD Matinee
June 9	MADDD Night
June 11	Riverina Cross Country
June 17	Formal Assembly

A word from Mr Ward

We have made a great start to Term 2; overall the uniform looks great as we transition into winter, behaviour is positive as we abide by our respectful, responsible learners mantra and quality teaching and learning has been at the forefront of everything we do. We started the term with a staff development day focusing predominately on our upcoming External Validation. This is where we measure ourselves against the school excellence framework. Considerable time was spent planning and preparing for the upcoming term as well as a focus on looking after our own wellbeing.



ANZAC Day

On Friday the 23rd of April we had a whole school commemoration of ANZAC Day. Led by Mrs Jackson, this was an opportunity for the whole school to come together to pay our respects to all the servicemen and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation and to those who have and are currently serving.

On Sunday, 25th April, students and staff attended and marched at services in Berrigan, Jerilderie, Finley and Tocumwal. I was fortunate enough to attend all these marches except Tocumwal and I was immensely proud of the students who represented the school. I received many positive comments from members of the community for the way students conducted themselves and the way the new school uniform is being worn. Our school leadership group laid wreaths and a number of our students carried flags leading the marches. It was an added pleasure that ex-students Riley Dempster (2019) and Stacy Wright (2010) were marching as members of the Royal Australian Air Force at Tocumwal and Finley.



Year 12 Interviews

We have started the important process of interviewing Year 12 students as they have hit the halfway point of the HSC year. Mrs White (Careers), Mr Hay (Year Advisor) and I spent time with each student discussing subjects, results, career aspirations, additional support and processes required to enter the workforce, TAFE or university. We have been extremely impressed with the mature approach with which the students are taking in their final year.

School Visits

Mr Webb (Year 7 Advisor 2022), Jodi Brown (Student Support Officer) and I have started visiting local primary schools to meet Year 6 students, answer questions and give a brief introduction to school life at Finley High School. This week we have visited Berrigan Public School and St Joseph's, Finley. Later this week we are visiting Finley Public School and the two primary schools in Jerilderie. We have been bringing some special guests with us and they have been a huge hit.



Rural Youth Ambassador Program

Jemma Coombs recently returned from Sydney where she was fortunate to meet the

minister of Education Mrs Sarah Mitchell. At the forum the students were given the opportunity to speak about issues as well as the positives of living and schooling in remote parts of the state. The main focus of the event was to promote ideas for solutions. This was the final instalment of the program. We congratulate Jemma for her contributions and success during the program



Sporting Excellence

Congratulations to all those students who have or continue to represent the school at the highest level.

Dakota Pyle and Daniela Gargaro represented the Riverina at the Combined High Schools State swimming in Sydney this week. Reports from the pool suggests that they both swam beautifully, recording a personal best time in each of their events.



Jacob Armer, Isaac Lunn, Lenny Dattoli and Angus Hay travelled to Coffs Harbour last week where they represented the Riverina Murray at NSW Combined High Schools AFL. The team came in 3rd place overall.



Bianca, Sophie and Caitlin Griffiths competed at the following events with distinction: Victorian Youth U25 Dressage Championships, Assumption College VEIS at Werribee and Victorian Interschool State Championships. This is the biggest event on the equestrian calendar with over 700 competitors from schools all over Victoria and southern NSW.



Jeff Ward Principal



Work Studies

Year 12 Work Studies visited 2 local workplaces last term. We met with Kate Murray at Finley RSC and Karen Daniel at Wren Florista, Finley, to see the workplace in action and learn about Teamwork and Enterprise. Many thanks to Kate and Karen for your time and insight into the many and varied careers available and the value of collaboration and initiative in the workplace.



RDA

After a disappointing 2020, RDA at Cobram is in full swing. This year, 3 Finley High School students travel to Cobram showgrounds once a fortnight and enjoy developing their riding skills and getting to know some wonderful horses and trainers.



Pictured Above is Emma on Cobbler, left is Taralee on Cobbler and far left is Kade on Shae

Canteen Roster & Community News

CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

Canteen Contact -
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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.

May

3	10 D.Pyke
4 R.Groutsch	11 F.Aull
5 P.Neessen	12
6 S.Barlow	13 L.Knight
7 N.Wilkinson	14 N.Nash

P & C Meeting



Wednesday 12th May,
7pm in the Staff Common
Room
ALL WELCOME

ANZAC Day 2021



A COVID SAFE EVENT



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**Mother's
Day
Classic**

TOCUMWAL

Sunday. 9th. May, 2021

- *Starts at 8.00am 8.30am 9.00am & 9.30am*
- *Tocumwal Recreation Reserve, Morris St. Tocumwal*
- *4km Walk, and 4km & 8km Runs*
- *Starting at the Rec reserve and winds its way down to Town Beach then along the beautiful River Walk along the picturesque Levee Bank to the New Bridge and back along our lush Foreshore Park*

**Covid regulations require all Registrations be on online at:
www.mothersdayclassic.com.au**

Walk all over breast cancer