

10th June 2021 Finley High School

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Newsletter Week 8, Term 2, 2021

Key Dates

Date:	Event:	
June 9	CoolHeads Driver Safety Program POSTPONED – Date TBA	
June 11	MADDD Night	
June 11	Riverina Cross Country - Gundagai	
June 16	Zone Athletics – Finley Recreation Reserve	
June 17	Year 7 Empowerment Day	
June 21	Year 10 Love Bites Program	
June 22	Building & Engineering SBAT & GAP Year Opportunities Session	
June 22	Formal Assembly	
June 23	Year 9 – 12 Be Wise	
June 25	Last Day Term 2	
July 12	Staff Development Day	
July 13	First Day Term 3 – All Students return to school	
July 15 - 18	Bendigo Sheep Show	

A word from Mr Ward

I would like to remind all of our students and their families of the value we, as a school, place on effort. Students need to value giving the time, both in and out of school, to put their very best efforts forward at every opportunity – in learning, in attendance and in all aspects of their daily conduct and behaviour. What do we mean by that? Completing all school work, including assessments, to the very best of their ability and handing it in on time; being at school every day to participate in all of the opportunities that the school can offer; being in all timetabled classes on time and for the entire period; being the respectful participants in school life we all know each and every student can be in terms of their behaviour towards all school members, including each other. Like all parents, teachers do not expect perfection, but we would like to see every member of our student body giving their all – striving for progress. There is nothing more satisfying than seeing a young person making progress towards any goal. Please emphasise this with your child/ren and please feel free to seek the support of the school with any aspect of this that your child may be experiencing difficulty with.

Sacred Heart, Tocumwal

Thank you to Mr Pat Boake and his staff for giving us (Jodi Brown and Gary Webb) the opportunity to visit last week and meet some of our prospective students for 2022. I have not been to the school before and I look forward to further opportunities where we can work with the staff and school community.

MADDD

Well done to every student and staff member who made our MADDD production such a special event. To the organisers, caterers, performers, supporters, thank you. Thus far, only the matinee has been held and the acknowledgement from schools who attended has been extremely positive. Special thanks to Miss Bower and Miss Geeves who have done the majority of the organisation.

New Chaplain

I would like to welcome Sue Dewing who will join us in Term 3 as our new chaplain. Sue, a very kind, generous and caring person is from Mulwala and comes highly recommended for this role. She has lots of life experience and is keen and enthusiastic to have this opportunity.

English Speaking Competition

Congratulations to Larshya Sutharsamohan who has been very successful so far in this year's Plain English Speaking Competition run by the Department of Education. She was a winner in the first two rounds and has now made the semi-final in Sydney, to be held on June 11. She presented an interesting speech on misogyny in the medical field. We wish Larysha all the best.

Tutoring Program

Our tutoring program has been running successfully for some time now. Congratulations to all those students and staff who attend and make the most of this oppurtunity. Tutoring is available in Finley, and we now offer tutoring in Tocumwal, Berrigan and Jerilderie. If you require any information in regard to this program, please see the details below or contact our coordinator, Miss Walker, who is doing an outstanding job leading this program.

Jeff Ward Principal

We are pleased to now offer tutoring in Tocumwal, Berrigan and Jerilderie. As teachers are travelling out of their way to run these sessions, you MUST register with them to attend. If nobody has expressed interest, they will not travel. Please take note of the following carefully:

Tocumwal- Monday afternoons at the primary school from 4pm-5pm. See Ms Momot Jerilderie- Wednesday afternoons at the Jerilderie Library from 4pm-5pm. See Mrs Archinal Berrigan - Thursday afternoons at the Berrigan Library from 4pm-5pm. See Miss Walker

If you are looking to attend in Finley, tutoring is run Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 3.30-4.30pm and Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 8am- 8.45am.



Respectful, Responsible Learners

CHS Girls Netball

Second in the State

Finley High School is very proud of the achievements of Ruby Russell and Lily Sharp. These two students represented the Riverina in netball at the State Carnival in Orange last week. There are nine regions ranging from Hunter, North Coast, South Coast, Sydney, Illawarra etc competing in the open championship. There were 10 students chosen in the Riverina team and two were from Finley, which is an amazing effort for a high school to have that representation.

Previously the highest rank that the Riverina has secured is fifth. This year they were victorious in all games except one, ensuring they secured the second top position. The coach Jen Vine from Murray High School was amazed with the girls' performance and concluded it was higher than her expectations. She commented what "fine talent we had at Finley High with two of the team coming from the one school."

This was Lily's second time representing the Riverina. She was selected when she was in Year 10 and competed in the state championship at Sydney. Unfortunately, she was denied a consecutive year as the competition did not run last year due to Covid. Lily who was vice captain played in the defensive positions, WD, GD and GK and provided leadership to the team.

This was Ruby's first representation at this level. She was chosen as a shooter and played GS or GA. Fortunately for Ruby she has another year to trial and to defend this title. When we consider how popular netball is as a female sport in the Riverina, the accomplishment of these two students, making the Riverina Team and then placing second in the state is extraordinary.

Athletics Carnival

Finley High School held its much anticipated Athletics Carnival on Friday the 21st of May and what a day it was. The weather could not have been any better, providing ideal conditions for a number of our talented athletes to smash some long standing records. The most pleasing aspects of the day was the outstanding attendance, participation and exemplary behaviour which was a great

endorsement for our school. The winning house was decided by a mere 5 points. Finley claimed top honours over Tuppal followed by Murray and Coree. Well done, Finley! Congratulations to all of the

participants, age champions and qualifiers for the next level. The Zone athletics carnival will be held at the Finley Recreation Reserve on the 16th of June.

FHS 2021 Athletics Age Champions

Boys

12yrs 1st – Tom White 13yrs 1st – Farron Urruitia 14yrs 1st – Angus Hay 15yrs 1st – Lenny Dattoli 16yrs 1st – Cruz Nash 17yrs 1st –Brad Aylett

Girls

12yrs 1st – Remi Pyle 13yrs 1st – Nevaeh Webb 14yrs 1st – Charlotte Rafferty 15yrs 1st – Sienna Burke 16yrs 1st - Harmonie Tidcombe 17yrs 1st – Isabella Kelly 2nd – Lilly McNamara 2nd – Bianca Dell'Anno

2nd - Jason Yeo

2nd - Ben Rourke

2nd - Nick Taylor

2nd - Liam Rafferty

2nd - Cooper Burke

2nd - Destin

2nd – Jasmine Burke 2nd - Meg 2nd – Lily Sharp











Holbrook Sheep and Wool Fair 2021

It was great to be back in the show ring after a long hiatus, with Holbrook being the first multiple day excursion since Melbourne Show 2019. All the regular schools were back, with everyone keen to give the students a fun and educational show.

Mr Webb and Mrs O'Leary took 23 students from year 7 to 10 to enjoy 3 days of showing, judging and fun back at Albury. We should be extremely proud of the fine students from Finley, who are always so responsible, and polite and are great ambassadors for the school. One of the best teams to go to Holbrook yet.

We had an outstanding 2nd day of judging on the Thursday. We managed to win champion Poll Dorset ram, ewe and also the group of 3. Each of these also went on to become champion of the short-wool breeds. Our beautiful ewe, "Roxy", was then crowned champion ewe of the show and then supreme exhibit. The judges commented on her style, correct Poll Dorset characteristics, correctness and depth, and width of her muscling.



Each student also participated in a junior judging competition. Jebidiah Meyervale brought home the silverware, winning both the meat sheep and merino group finals. This qualifies him to compete at the 2022 Royal Easter Show in Sydney. Caitlin Griffiths was second in the merino judging.

We look forward to the next show in July, the Bendigo Sheep Show. Thanks must go to Gordon Close for helping prepare the sheep and Ryan McGrath who shore the sheep a few months ago. We are grateful for the help from Genstock at Jerilderie and the Frost family of Hillden Poll Dorsets for their services and quality genetics to allow us to breed great sheep.







Rural Youth Ambassasor

On the 23rd May, Archie Mason had the oppurtunity to travel to Sydney to meet the other 20 Rural Youth Ambassadors. The program is about the betterment of rural kids education, school lives and opportunities. They came together to discuss and voice their opinions on how we can make all rural schools more supportive and have a more effective learning environment. The group aims to focus on the following aspects of rural education: wellbeing, teachers, technology and after school opportunities.



Work Studies/LOTE

Year 12 Work Studies are fundraising towards their Enterprise Project of an upgrade to the Year 12 outdoor area. Year 7 LOTE students have completed their Family Tree assessment - Mon Arbre Genealogique. These will soon be on display in the foyer.







Mathematics Future Mathematics Teachers?

When you hear the words 'classroom' and 'learning', what do you picture? Is it a room full of avid learners sitting behind desks and a teacher out the front writing on a whiteboard?

No matter what year level, there are always the dominant students who do most of the talking when it comes to class discussions. This happens whilst the majority of the class remains silent. I know all the students have ideas; however, only some are confident to share those ideas regularly, verbally and to the whole class. While watching, listening and discussing are valued ways to learn, maths is mainly mastered by doing.

This term, it has been wonderful to see students getting out of their seats, taking over with the lesson and showing the class their mathematical ideas. I have to say that it takes a brave person to openly share their ideas let alone do it from the front of the class, in front of peers. Here are a few snapshots of those moments. By Ms Momot.





SRC

This term the SRC are raising money for the Fight MND (Motor Neurone Disease) fundraiser. With the cooperation of the teachers, we have been able to organise activities on the last day of term, in particular the main event, dumping freezing cold water and ice on the participating teachers. Our end goal is to raise \$2000. As an incentive to reach the goal, we have set milestones along the way with Mr Whitty agreeing to



bal, we have set milestones along the way with Mr Whitty agreeing to be dumped at \$1500 and Mr Ward at \$2000. In order to achieve the goal we have put together many different opportunities to donate money to the foundation including the following:

- Selling bacon & egg rolls on Friday mornings. To purchase a bacon and egg roll, pay \$5 to the pay office before the end of Wednesday. This will be running until the end of Term 2.
- Washing Cars for \$20.
- Selling raffle tickets at the rate of 1 ticket for \$2 or 3 tickets for \$5 for the chance to win a trailer of firewood.
- There will be money tins around the school for loose change, as well as in some businesses around the towns.

The SRC appreciate your support and we can't wait for the last day of term to dump the teachers.



Indoor Cricket

Yeah, the girls!

In week 6, some of the Year 8 students played a match of indoor cricket. Some Year 10's joined in to boost the numbers of each team. Here are some of the worthy highlights of the great match.

Shikaya Hall's and Charli Momot's bowling ability saw the first batting team struggle to score decent runs in several overs. As a result, many batters were declared out early. It also didn't help with too many wicket keepers, at one stage, crowding the batter's wicket and not out on the field. This let the first fielding team down as the girl batters saw many openings for ball placement and scored big runs. Mr Hay took over bowling at some stage and, with the aid of crutches, bowled the only LBW.

When it came to a change-over in the teams, Luca Colombi's batting ability was definitely an asset to his team. There is no doubt, had there been a sports photographer present, they would have been able to retire on his action shots alone! At one stage, Mrs Philpot took a mark on the cricket field. Yes, that's right, you read that correctly - a mark with a football, in the middle of a cricket game! The football disappeared as quickly as it appeared thanks to Mrs Philpot's quick reflexes. Clearly she knows magic! Nick Taylor bowled the only wicket.

The second batting team, used a strategy of hitting the ball in the direction of the one-armed fielder (due to a broken collar bone but honourable to be still fielding). Ava Belling had the best catch, reflexes like a cat. Harrison King's



credibility has gone to a new level by umpiring, fielding and guiding his team, at the same time. Whilst many could question his credibility for juggling several conflicts of interest, he was very fair with his umpiring and scoring. Honourable mention goes out to Abigail Searle who managed the scoring.

Chelsea Singleton took out the player of the match! She saw the best openings and clocked up some excellent runs for the team. The girls were clearly the better batters AND fielders on the day. **FUN FACT:** The Australian women's national cricket team are the top women's team in all current world rankings.







Science

Mr O'Leary and Year 7 science have been using binocular microscopes, as well as taste testing 'Helpful Microbes' where they tried kimchee and sauerkraut.







Library Display

This month's library display theme is 'Fantasy', this is in support of the Fantasy units currently being studied in English and Art.



History

Last week Year 8 History were working on recreating the dimensions and some of the artefacts found in King Tutankhamun's tomb.

In each class students were divided into groups; one group per room of the pharaoh's tomb. Each group had to research the dimensions and purpose of their space and find at least 3 artefacts that were found in that space upon Howard Carter's discovery of the tomb in 1922. Each class invited some special guests to come and tour the tomb and students were required to be the tour guides of their chosen space. Thank you to all the staff and students who came for a tour.





Photography, Digital Media and Podcasting

This Term the Year 9 and 10 students of PDM 'Photography and Digital Media' have been learning about the digital medium 'Podcasting.' By working together in groups of two to three, students are developing their own podcast with the assistance of a professional radio presenter Maria in collaboration with END FM Deniliquin. These workshops are proving to be an intricate reminder that digital forms of communication are ever present in the daily lives of students. They are learning how communication requires a fine attention to detail. By concentrating on the skill of listening and speaking clearly, the aims of this task are to provide quality content and topics of choice that can be thought provoking and engaging for listeners and their target audience.

The students in PDM are given the opportunity to work with industry standard radio and podcasting equipment, high quality microphones and post production computer programs.





We are looking forward to the podcasts our Year 9 and 10 PDM students produce, narrate and eventually share with their friends, family and if they wish broadcast their podcast with END FM Deniliquin.

Mr Sharman



BALDWINS BUSES Summary of Rights and Obligations of Passengers While travelling on Company Vehicles

Passengers must not:

- Place feet on seats
- Smoke, and or spit
- Use offensive language or behave offensively
- Interfere with equipment or damage the bus
- Throw anything in or from the bus
- Drop/Leave rubbish in the bus

Passengers can:

- Expect the bus to be clean and tidy
- Expect to see the Driver's Authority card displayed
- Expect not to be inconvenienced by any luggage or goods within the bus
- Expect the driver to behave in an orderly manner, act with civility and propriety, and comply with reasonable requests.

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Dear Principal and Educators,	18 B. Denny	25

Country to Canberra is launching its 2021 Leadership Competition. We are now in our eighth year of inspiring young rural women to reach their leadership potential. We would love for you to pass it on!

The Competition

The 2021 Competition opens on 4 June and closes on 23 July at 11:59 pm.

Students simply need to submit a 400-600 word response or 3-4 minute video responding to our 2021 question:

COURAGE TO CHALLENGE: what is the role of rural women in driving change in their communities?

The Prize

An all-expenses-paid 'Power Trip' to Canberra and C2C On-Screen experience!

On the 'Power Trip', competition winners will meet politicians and leaders, tour Parliament House, and participate in leadership and public speaking workshops. They will have the opportunity to join our mentor program and will be published nationally! In past years, girls met with Julie Bishop, Tanya Plibersek, Larissa Waters, Jacqui Lambie, Malcolm Turnbull, and Prime Minister Scott Morrison.

Based on the success of last year's inaugural C2C On-Screen program, we will be running the virtual twoday workshop once again for our 2021 winners. This will allow all of the winners to meet before their Power Trip in Canberra and get to know the other amazing young women they will be sharing this life-changing experience with.

To Enter

Check out the attached resources or visit_www.countrytocanberra.com.au/. Terms and conditions apply. See our website for more details.

COVID-19

We commit to providing a COVID-19 safe experience and will be guided by ongoing public health advice and announcements. Please read our COVID-19 FAQ's.

Please Share

Please share this with your students and community! Our posters with the competition details are attached. Feel free to print and share in newsletters, around the school, and on your social media. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach us at <u>contact@countrytocanberra.com.au</u>. Kind regards,

Country to Canberra Team

COUNTRY TO CANBERRA TEAM



GOLF 18-HOLES AMBROSE

Shotgun Start 10:30am

☆ Handicap Golfers with GA Handicap

Sponsored by the Sneddon Family

Non-Handicap for social golfers Sponsored by Roe's Transport

☆ \$20 per golfer

3/4 Ambrose teams Entries open May 20 at Sports Club & closes June 18

On course BBQ • drinks • Coffee van • novelty events!

RAFFLE

2 Nights @ Murray Downs Resort Swan Hill

☆ on course accommodation ☆ cooked breakfast ☆ UNLIMITED golf ☆ Golf Package value \$520

> Tickets available online & at Club \$5 each or 3 for \$10

Donations and/or raffle tickets Account name: Ian Sneddon Golf Day BSB: 633000 Account: 183711076

June 20, 2021 JERILDERIE SPORTS CLUB Ian Sneddon MND Golf Day

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BROUGHT TO YOU BY FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL MADDD NIGHT

TICKETS - \$5 INCLUDES SUPPER

FRIDAY 11TH JUNE | 7 PM | FINLEY HIGH School Hall

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY TO COMPLETE COVID CHECK-IN

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