



17th November 2022 | Finley High School

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Today's banner: Mr Ward with School Leaders at the Finley Cenotaph on Remembrance Day

Key Dates

Newsletter Week 6, Term 4 2022

Date:	Event:
18 th November	PASS Excursion Sheep AI Excursion- Jerilderie
22 nd November	Open Boys Cricket in Corowa
23 rd November	'Life Choices' – Bullying Seminar (Years 7-9)
23 rd to 25 th November	Year Ten Excursion to Melbourne
29 th November	Year Six Orientation Day
1 st December	Formal Assembly – 12:30pm
5 th to 9 th December	Year Ten Work Experience
9 th December	Year 11 Rewards Excursion
12 th December	Presentation Night
14 th December	Years 7-9 Rewards Excursion
16 th December	Last day for students

A word from Mr Ward

Remembrance Day

I will dedicate this newsletter report to Remembrance Day which occurred last Friday the 11th November. This day was originally announced to mark the anniversary of the Armistice that ended fighting in Germany in World War 1 on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918.

Our school stopped and paused to remember all those who served and sacrificed their lives in wars and conflicts around the world. The school community met under the COLA where Mrs Baxter spoke about the significance of Remembrance Day with a minute's silence taken. Mrs Parr, Mrs Tobin and I took the SRC and selected students from Year 7 and 8 to the Cenotaph for the town service. The school captains Matthew Whelan and Meg Marshall laid a wreath on behalf of Finley High School.



Our school and community have a long tradition with the services with many joining up and serving, some giving the ultimate sacrifice. It is my hope that our current generation of students take a moment to remember our history and the horror of war when we at times argue over the smallest of things, struggle to meet the easiest of expectations and forget what we have, taking our freedoms and what we have for granted.

CWA Scholarship

Each year the Murray Hut CWA give a scholarship to a female student who is furthering her studies in the STEM field. This year we had three outstanding applicants and the panel selected Shae Fennell who will receive a \$1000 scholarship to support her studies to pursue a Bachelor of Science at Deakin University. Congratulations Shae.

P & C

As we come to the end of another year, I would like to thank our P & C committee and the parents and community members who attend these meetings. We, as a school, appreciate the support, the commitment to our canteen and school uniform and the financial support you give our students and the school. Our final meeting will be the Christmas dinner meeting, this time held at the Blighty Hotel on the 7th December starting at 6pm. It is great that we continue this tradition of going to one of our local communities each year.

Week 4 (Taster day/Police talks/Health talks/Love Bites)

Week 4 was an exceptionally busy week and I would especially like to thank Jodi Brown, Miss Perry and Mrs White for all their hard work.

We started on the Tuesday with our Year 6 Taster day. Year 6 from all our feeder schools attended the school assembly before heading off to a variety of classes that they would expect to experience on any given day. From all reports, from the students and their parents, they had a great day and cannot wait to return. A big thank you to Mr Hawkins who also attended from Finley Public school and was a big hit with the students.

On Wednesday we held Police talks, with students broken into two groups. It's always great to welcome our police into the school and share the wonderful things they do in the community. Whilst later that day we had a number of health providers come into the school to talk about their jobs, careers and the important role our health providers play in the community.

On Thursday we held our 'Love Bites' program for Year 10. 'Love Bites' is an educational program that focuses on respectful relationships, domestic violence, and sexual relationships. The program was delivered by trained professionals who came into the school working alongside our trained professional Jodi Brown.

Sienna Burke

Several of our Year 10 students have already undertaken their second week of work experience. Although we have a set week in week 9, some students take the initiative to venture out early. I was extremely impressed when Sienna Burke approached me to share photos and discuss her experience of recently working with Amy McAllister who is an agronomist. Sienna shared her experiences how agronomists seek out disease and check maturity of crops like canola and rice. Her photos were extensive and her passion commendable.

Homework Club

Miss Walker has done an exceptional job in 2022 of leading the Homework Club. I want to also recognise the following people who have helped the Homework Club continue to run so well this year.

- Mr Maslen
- Mr Pullen
- Miss Coates
- Miss Breust

Ms Robinson Finley Public School Principal

This week the school community was informed that Ms Jocelyn Robinson has resigned from her role as Principal of Finley Public School. Ms Robinson was an outstanding leader of the school and did a wonderful job as Principal. I was fortunate to spend quality time collaborating with Ms Robinson both as the Principal of Blighty Public School and Finley Public School. She will be very much missed and we wish her every happiness and success.

Jeff Ward,
Principal

Assembly

Students participating in Fire Cadet Training were presented with their certificates upon completion of the module.



Instructors David Turner, Ian, Shane and David Marsden representing the NSW Rural Fire Service are pictured with students:

Jacob Armer, Harrison King, Matt Whelan, Marko Bonic, Brock Bear, Erin Chesworth, Sienna Burke and Travis Lawton

Principal Awards were presented to
*Harry Campbell, Jebidiah MeyerVale
and Matt Whelan*



Students across Years 7 to 10 were presented with certificates for their efforts in the 2022 Australian Mathematics Competition

Back: Alison Kleinschmidt, Nicola Dilullo, Arabelle Taylor, Dan Eldridge, Lilly McNamara, Bethany Loughridge, Kate Tilley, Maggie Bramley and Tom White

Front: Elliott Loughridge, Ryan Bauer, Logan Eldridge, Amelia Hay, Thomas Marshall, Jackson Tooke, Patrick Billings, Nick Chesworth and Farron Urrutia

Respectful, Responsible Learners

2022 National History Challenge



Congratulations to Year 10 student Sarah Bauer as she is awarded winner of the 2022 National History challenge with her essay "The Isolation of Women in Country Australia"

Sarah is pictured with Professor Shirley Rendell AO who on behalf of the National Foundation for Australian Women presented the award and prize money to Sarah in Sydney earlier this week.

Food Technology - Year 8 Cooking Around the World Assessment Tasks

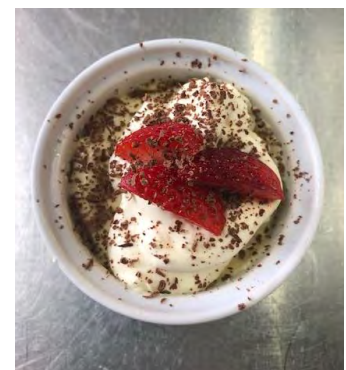
Students were required to prepare and cook a dish from a country of their choice. The dish is a representation of a celebration that occurs in the country. Mr Whitty and his Year 12 History cohort were the judges and were so impressed with the standard that ALL of the sample dishes were eaten.



Bethany & Bianca



Dylan & Brylee



Ella & Georgie



Kizzi & Addison



Matthew



Nicholas

Work Experience Reminder December 5-9th
Parents of Year 10 Students
Work Experience paperwork is now overdue
Please assist us by ensuring all paperwork is returned ASAP.
Any concerns- please See Mrs White or Mrs Philpot.

Science

Ms Archinal's Year 10 Science class are pictured below experimenting with DNA modelling.



*Erica Nicholls, Daisy Daniel, Stevie Bateman
Josie Coombs, Abbey A'Vard and Tess Middleton*



*Sophie O'Donnell, Keeley Peters
Sienna Burke and Erica Hammond*

Careers News

Congratulations to Ruby Russell on achieving her Certificate III in Early Childhood and Care. This is a nationally recognised qualification and allows Ruby to work as an educator in Australian childcare centres. What is remarkable is that Ruby completed her childcare studies whilst also studying her Higher School Certificate and achieving an Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR).

Ruby completed a school-based apprenticeship through Biralee Pre School and Finley High School. This involved her completing work placement one day per week and completing her theory tasks online. To complete this qualification required a lot of determination, effort, and time. Ruby also gave up much of her school holidays to work in other centres in order to fulfill all aspects of the course. This was a huge effort as she had to simultaneously complete all her other HSC subjects. Ruby has achieved a lifelong wish to work with young children and has been employed at Biralee in a full-time capacity.

*Mrs Jenny Philpot
Careers*



Work Experience Reminder

Year 10 will be out on work experience in Week 9 (5th-9th Dec). By now, all students should have completed the necessary paperwork. There are however a number of students with incomplete or outstanding forms. Please work with your student to encourage them to find a work placement as this is an invaluable learning experience for students. Listed below are what students need to return ASAP if they haven't already done so. Next lesson students will receive their second diary and evaluation form. Again if they miss that lesson they will need to ensure they follow up with their teacher to obtain these documents. Should you need assistance please contact the Careers Staff.

- Student Placement Record
- Travel with Employer form (if relevant)
- Working with Animals form (if relevant)
- Accommodation away from home (if relevant)

Rewards Trip

On Wednesday the 14th December students in Years 7-9 (who have not been on a Level 3 or greater) have been invited to participate in the rewards excursion. Notes have gone home outlining the day, options available, rules and expected behaviours. The excursion has been subsidised by the school to encourage participation. The booking deadline will be final as numbers at venues will need to be finalised therefore no late notes will be accepted. Students were made aware that several activities had number limits and may not go ahead if these numbers are not met, this is beyond our control as venues in some cases were opening especially for us. There are however a number of free options that students can participate in. Unfortunately after the note was printed the canoeing option had to be removed. It still appears on the note but is unavailable due to the uncertainty around the water conditions with the current weather.

FHS Student Diaries

Time management is essential for success at school, work and in life in general. Diaries are an essential tool in helping students to organise their studies and time. Diaries help students to be organised, allow them to plan for their day and helps them achieve their academic goals.

In 2023 students at Finley High School will be provided with a student diary. This will support them in documenting important dates and reminders. The diaries will help students to organise their events and studies, to ensure that they both complete everything on time and at a reasonable pace whilst also allowing them to balance their personal and extracurricular activities by scheduling and planning ahead.

Diaries will be used to keep track of set homework tasks and upcoming assessments and their due dates. Students will be required to take their diaries to every class where they will be encouraged to add daily homework tasks and assessment/exam dates and reminders. Students will also be required to take their diaries to roll call so as important dates such as carnivals, school excursions, return of note deadlines, meetings etc can be added to their diaries. Year Advisers will also work closely with students at year meetings to teach students effective ways to use their diaries.

Diaries are an exceptionally beneficial tool for managing time as long as students always bring it to school and take it into classroom. Every lesson they then need to write down any work that is outstanding from that lesson, any assigned homework and assessment dates.

We seek the support of all parents and carers in encouraging your students to bring their diary to school. Please work with your student/s to review their diaries on a regular basis so as any upcoming tasks and events can be completed by the due dates.

Thanks also goes to the P & C who have financially supported the new diaries to help ensure that all students have access to them. This support is greatly appreciated.

Mrs Deb White
Careers

Visual Arts – Year 8 Fish Linos

Some inspiring work from Miss Perry's Year 8 class.



Cooper Sutton



Jack Maude



Justin Milne

Finley High School OPEN BOYS CRICKET

Riverina Regional Quarter Final

NSW Combined High Schools "Davidson Shield" Knockout

Tuesday November 11, 2022 - Finley Recreation Reserve

MATCH REPORT



BACK ROW: Mr Dan Noonan (Coach), Travis Lawton, Jacob Amer, Hamish Cameron, Jordan Sykes, Matthew Whelan (c), Jonty King, Lenny Dattoli
FRONT ROW: Harrison King, Daniel Eldridge, Roree Wallis, Darcy Pyle, Logan Eldridge (Scorer)
ABSENT: Mr Matt Whitty (Mgr / Venue Curator), Nathan Brown, Cruz Nash, Kohan Joseph

The team had progressed through to the quarter final after defeating Hay War Memorial High School and then Deniliquin High School in earlier rounds of this NSW state-wide knockout competition.

The match had to be postponed on several occasions due to the impact of the weather over preceding weeks. Luckily, we had about five days of sunshine leading up to this final match day as parts of the local ground had still been under several centimetres of water the week before. As it was, our opposition, Yanco Agriculture High School had to divert their trip direction to get here due to water over the roads.

It turned out to be a hot sunny day and both teams were in high spirits before the game began. The game followed a 40 / 40 limited over format. Yanco won the toss and sent Finley in to bat.

Finley HS - Batting Highlights

All out for 127 (10 for 127 - off 32 overs)

Travis Lawton 43, Harrison King 24, Darcy Pyle 13, Daniel Eldridge 11, Hamish Cameron 8

Finley HS – Bowling Highlights

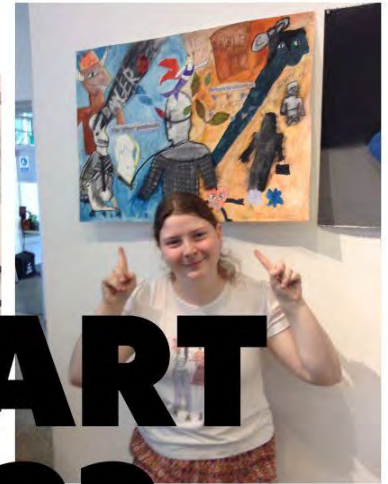
Yanco Agriculture HS were all out for 58 (10 for 58 – off 19 overs)

Matt Whelan 2/14 off 5 overs, Darcy Pyle 2/4 off 4 overs, Travis Lawton 3/9 off 3 overs, Hamish Cameron 1/4 off 1 over, Jordan Sykes 1/5 off 1 over.

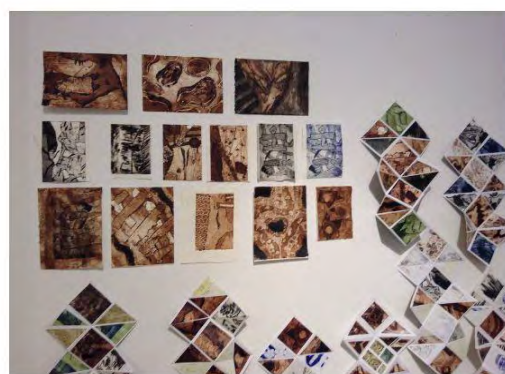
It was a great win in very warm conditions. The boys bowling and fielding were the definite difference.

Finley HS Man of The Match: Travis Lawton

The team now progresses to the Riverina Regional Semi Final against Corowa High School (at Corowa) on Tuesday November 22, 2022.



RIVERINA ART CAMP 2022



CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

Contact – 0473 946 683

Volunteers are asked to be at the canteen by 10am sharp.

November

21st

29th

30th

December

6th

8th

13th

K Dawe

C Rorato

N Nash

M Close

T Bauer

G Ferguson

FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL P & C INVITES YOU TO OUR **CHRISTMAS MEETING/DINNER**

WEDNESDAY

DEC | 7 | 6 pm

Blighty Hotel, Blighty

ALL WELCOME

END OF YEAR P&C RAFFLE

As has been the case in the past, the FHS P&C will be running a Christmas Hamper Raffle to end the year. Our committee does its best to support as many children as possible in the school. Many of you may not know that we financially support many school programs, excursions and SRC projects. We also receive many requests from students and families who are seeking financial support with travel and accommodation for sporting, creative and educational representative events. It is our pleasure to say yes to as many of these requests as we can, but to do this, much fundraising is required. Did you know our biggest fundraiser is our School Canteen – by supporting the canteen you are in turn supporting activities and events for your children!!

This year we are asking all school families to support our raffle in two ways

- by donating non-perishable Christmas Hamper items for our raffle. Items can be left at the school office at any time before Presentation Night.
- Secondly in the next week we will be sending home a small book of raffle tickets for each family to sell. We ask that you please sell and return your tickets ASAP or by Thursday 8th December 2022. It will be the responsibility of each family to ensure any sold tickets are returned to the school office by the due date.

We thank you for your support of this fundraiser.

Finley High School P&C Committee.

