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Kev Dates

Today's banner: The Library display

Newsletter Week 4, Term 2 2022

Date:	Event:	Assessments:
May 18 – May 20	Holbrook Sheep Show	
May 23 – May 27	Yr 11 Half Yearly Exams	
May 23 – May 24	Yr 10 Canberra Excursion	
May 24	AFL Gala Day	
May 25	Cross Country	
May 31	Yr 11/12 Uni/TAFE Excursion to Melbourne	
May 31	AFL Swan Shield	
June 1	ANZAC BBQ and Presentation	
June 2	Yrs 9-12 Excursion to RAAF Base, Wagga	
June 3	Riverina Dance Festival	
June 6 – 10	Yr 10 Round 1 Work Experience	
June 8 – 9	Yr 12 Excursion to University of Wollongong	

A word from Mr Ward

This week we celebrate National Volunteer Week and I want to thank all those who give up their time to help out, especially in our school community. My first thoughts go out to those who turn up at P & C meetings, AECG meetings, the canteen volunteers, the parents who drive students to sporting events, excursions and help our show teams. Again on behalf of all the students and staff, we thank our volunteers.

Staffing Concerns

There has been a lot of press around staffing concerns and a lack of teachers in schools. In the last newsletter I gave a shout out to all the staff who have gone above and beyond to ensure every class has a teacher in front of them. This has required staff giving up planning lessons to teach and to call upon our three casuals we have available. I need to correct my last edition of the newsletter, two casual staff were actually born in the 1940's not 50's. I'm also enjoying teaching this year taking a Year 10 History class. Principals and many deputy principals usually don't teach due to the managerial and leadership demands. Mr Whitty is taking extra classes as well as Mrs Begbie. Recently we advertised twice for an HSIE (History) teacher. We did not get one application. We have advertised three times this year for a Head Teacher Maths without success.

P & C

I would like to thank Mr Paul Jones who has agreed to another term as the P & C president unopposed. It's been two years since Paul's last daughter finished her HSC:, however due to no other applicants Paul has agreed to continue to support the school in this role. Thank you Paul, you are doing a tremendous job. The P & C contributes large amounts of money to the school to subsidise excursions, pay for uniforms, contribute to teaching and learning programs and support students and staff in every possible way. You can continue to

support the P & C by using our school canteen, volunteering in the canteen or by attending P & C meetings.

University Offers

Exciting news for fourteen Year 12 students who received early entry to Charles Sturt University. Congratulations to the following students who have worked hard and deserve these offers.

Alanna Steel Bachelor of Agriculture Business Wagga Wagga
Ben Bauer Bachelor of Agriculture Science Wagga Wagga
Archie Mason Bachelor of Agriculture Science Wagga Wagga
Maddison Wilson Bachelor of Border management Online
Ruby Russell Bachelor of Early Childhood Albury-Wodonga
Shae Fennell Bachelor of Education Port Macquarie
Ben Anthony Bachelor of Engineering Bathurst
Chris Moore Bachelor of Equine Science Wagga Wagga
Lucy-Jayne Burdon Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science Wagga Wagga
Lucy Armer Bachelor of Nursing Albury-Wodonga
Mackenzie Hannan Bachelor of Paramedicine Port Macquarie
Olivia Cicolini Bachelor of Paramedicine Port Macquarie

Year 6 School Visits

We have started our primary school visits to support and ready our Year 7 class of 2023. Thus far we have been to St Joseph's Finley and Finley Public school. Jodi Brown, Miss Charlie Perry (Year Advisor) and I have been welcomed enthusiastically at each of the schools (unfortunately I couldn't attend FPS) and I can confidently say the majority of the students have once again chosen Finley High School as their school of choice. This is comforting to know on so many levels but most importantly by keeping our students local we generate jobs and support our local economy. Thank you for your support, we look forward to visiting Barooga, Blighty, Berrigan, Jerilderie and Tocumwal in the coming weeks.

NAPLAN

These last two weeks our school participated in NAPLAN Online. All students in years 7 and 9 participated in four online tests in writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. From all reports the students did their very best and the testing went very smoothly. Special thanks to Mrs Coates who coordinated the tests.

Mackenna Taylor Bachelor of Psychology Port Macquarie

Thank you – Anzac Day Service and March

A letter of thanks has arrived from Mr Don McKellar, Anzac Day Coordinator for the Finley Returned and Services League Sub Branch. Mr McKellar expresses his thanks for the school's participation in the recent Anzac Day Service and March. He continues "Special thanks go to the students who were part of the service and those who assisted in carrying our flags and banner in the march and your students who helped with the Welfare donation collection."

Professional Learning

It's great to see a number of our staff getting back into the professional learning with Covid restrictions easing. Mr Whitty and Mr Hay recently attended Berry Street training in Albury. The training focuses on strategies to increase engagement and academic achievement. Miss Cox presented at the TENs (teacher expert network) in Sydney. We congratulate Mrs Baxter who has been successful in her application for the Rural and Remote Marking Program (RRMP) to mark Business Studies (Options) in Newcastle later in the year.

Jeff Ward, Principal

Career News

National Careers Week News

This week we celebrate National Careers Week which aims to celebrate careers, career development and career development services. The library has a great display where you can complete a guessing competition and maybe win a prize. This is also a great way to learn some fun and funny facts about your teachers. So pop up to the library this week for a look.

Also use the opportunity this week to talk to people you know about their career. What jobs have they had, which ones did they love and why, how did they get into it and what tasks did they do - are some great starting questions?

Careers Dress Up Day

Students from Year 10 – 12 celebrated National Careers Week with a Careers Dress Up day last Tuesday, 17th May. Lots of different careers were featured – teaching, nursing, construction, armed forces, first responders (fire, ambulance, police), farmers even a stay at home mum!!















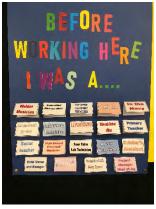












Youth Futures Regional Living, Studying and Working EXPO

On the 15th June Finley High School in conjunction with the Berrigan Shire will host the Youth Futures Regional Living, Studying and Working EXPO. Due to COVID this event has been postponed in 2020 and 2021 and so it is with great excitement that we look forward to seeing it happening again in 2022. This is a great opportunity for students to gain a first hand look at some of the careers and personnel that we have in our local area. They can hear stories of career pathways and make contacts with potential local employers.

All students in Years 10-12 are expected to attend the day. The event will be held at the Finley Recreation Reserve. There will be a variety of activities on the day including a guest speaker, workshops around job applications and interviews, a talk, display and demonstration of drones in the workplace and how they fit into a variety of careers, demonstrations and hands on activities within the wool industry, a panel discussion on becoming an apprentice

and much more. Sam Ludeman who placed 3rd on The Voice competition will share stories of his career along with Sam Russell who will share their experience in the Arts during COVID and maybe even play a few tunes to finish the day.

Students will be provided with morning tea and lunch on the day, however they are asked to bring along their own water bottle. Any students with special dietary requirements will need to return the note that will go home prior to the event. The event will take place during the school day and students will be able to catch their normal buses. Students will only need to bring a pen for the day. There will be prizes to be won on the day.

We look forward to all students in Years 10-12 attending as this is a normal school day and therefore attendance is expected.

Parents and Carers are more than welcome to attend on the day. If you would like to come along please contact Deb White in the Careers department at Finley High School.

Careers Day Out

On Wednesday, 18 May several Yr 10 students travelled to Shepparton to attend the Careers Day Out. The event involved static displays, recruiters, presentations and lots of hands-on workshops. There were service providers including ambulance, police, fire and rescue. There were also activities such as CPR races, cooking displays, crêpe making, woodwork activities and much more. Some students participated in Pilates classes whilst others made bliss balls. There was plenty of giveaways and lots of take home messages and information. We would like to thank Mr. Hopkins and the DiLullo family for helping with transport on the day. This ensured students were able to participate in the excursion.

Deb White Careers Adviser















Yr 10 Work Experience – 6-10th June

A reminder to all Year 10 students and parents Work Experience is fast approaching.

Some students are yet to return all their paperwork. Please complete this task as soon as possible . Thank you.

Mrs White and Mrs Philpot

Visual Arts

During the holidays Lucy-Jayne Burdon, Maddison Wilson, Cate Turley, Kadeesha Conlan and Jack Koschel attended a Visual Arts workshop at school. This was a great opportunity for Year 11 students to develop their modernist painting and still life drawing skills and for Year 12 students to further develop their HSC Body of Works. All students made excellent progress and enjoyed a day full of creativity.











Under 15's Girls Basketball

On May 5th eight of our students across Years 9-10 competed in a basketball round robin in Deniliquin. The girls played exceptionally well with minimal training, winning the first game against Barham 10-7, just missing out on the second game to Balranald by one point before Deniliquin took out the win in game 3. A big congratulations to our girls basketball team who represented Finley High School with pride and good sportsmanship.

Back ~ Ava Belling, Kizzi Moore, Faith Vidler, Paige Gray, Katie John **Front** ~ Chloe Rorato, Chelsea Winn and Mikayla Simpson



Debutante Ball – Saturday 14th May





Debutantes from last Saturday night's ball included:

Meg Marshall and Matthew Whelan Dakota Pyle and Liam Rafferty Cassidy Reynolds and Lenny Dattoli Amarlee Price and Jacob Orro Morgan Evans and Darcy Pyle Hayley Palmer and Hamish Smithers Mia Neessen and Travis Lawton Jordan Gray and Hamish Cameron

The Attendants were: Camilla Massina and Jackson Urquhart

Textiles

Mrs McNamara's Year 7 Tech class has been very busy constructing tote bags. Several students were keen to display their final products



Cherish Joseph

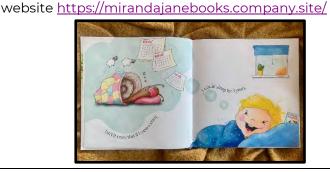
Amelia Hay and Lilly Baker

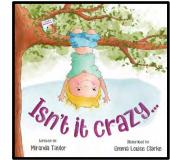
Alumni news



Former student Miranda Taylor is making her mark in the literary world with her first publication "Isn't it crazy...."

A beautiful, funny and sweet children's book designed for all to enjoy. The book can be purchased from Miranda's





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REGIONAL CARE





Year 11 Primary Industries and the Year 9/10 Sports group took some livestock to Finley Regional Care to meet the enthusiastic residents on Wednesday 6th April. Mrs O'Leary and Mr Ward accompanied the students and stock on their walk down the road. Students loved the hands on of showing off their stock and chatting to the residents about the animals and the types of activities they are involved in at school. This great experience bought smiles to the faces of all involved.





















Working in the Rural Cafe at the recent Sydney Royal Easter Show turned out to be an amazing experience for our Yr 12 Hospitality students. Miss Treacy and Mrs McNamara were kept busy watching over their charges, whilst Madison Kleinschmidt was lucky enough to speak to visiting royal, Princess Anne. A wonderful experience on many levels.

























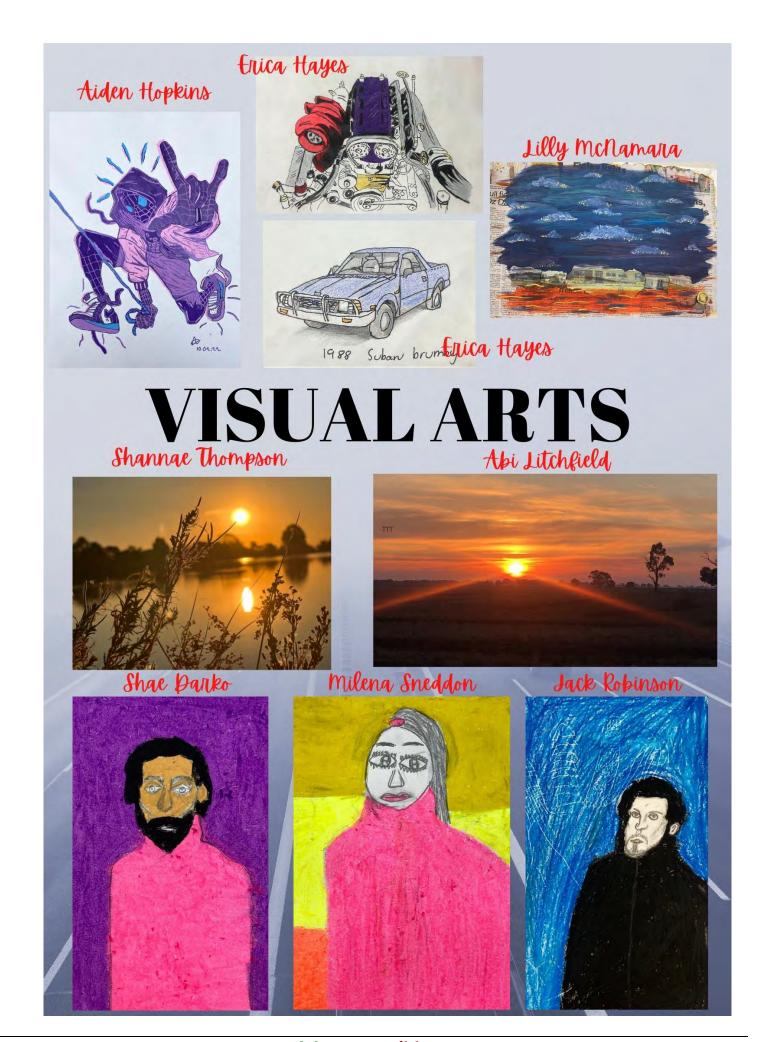










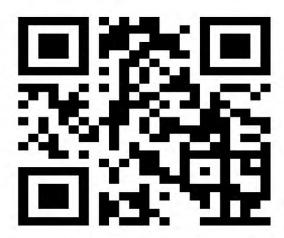


Wellbeing referrals

At Finley High School, we have three key people who provide individual psychological support to students. This includes our Student Support Officer, Jodi Brown, and two provisional School Psychologists, Madeline Schirmer and Louisa Quiddington.

You can receive confidential counselling and support through the following referral pathways:

- Scan the QR code located in this newsletter and around the school to fill out a referral form
- Put a paper referral form under the School Psychologist's door.
- Knock on the Student Support Officer or School Psychologist's door.
- Speak to your Year Advisor or another trusted member of staff.
- · Request an appointment at the front office.



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CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

Contact - 0473 946 683

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

If unable to attend on your rostered day please change with someone else.

If unsuccessful please ring the canteen on 0473 946 683 only in an emergency.

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Tues 24 th	The state of the s
Wed 25 th	Anne Lee
Thurs 26 th	
Fri 27 th	Tanya Roe
Mon 30 th	Stephen Lockhart
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Wed 1 st	Warwick Doolan
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Fri 3 rd	Kirstie Marshall
Mon 6 th	Jill Orro
Tues 7 th	



10am-2pm
one day per term
nominate the
weekday that you
are available.

Kate & Sharon are friendly, helpful and make the job easy. No pressure!

FHS P&C CANTEEN CURRENTLY PROVIDES FINLEY ST JOSEPH'S & FINLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL WITH CANTEEN. WE ARE LOOKING FOR MORE HELPERS

Are you available 4hrs,1 day per term?

Please call Kate or Sharon on 0473946683 to discuss when you can help.

FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL P&C COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO



MAKE YOUR MARK ON FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL!

GET YOUR ORDER IN QUICK TO BE A PART OF THIS SPECIAL

FUNDRAISING PROJECT.

SHIRLEY & DON ELLIOTT 1 BRICK \$45.00 2 BRICKS \$80.00 3 BRICKS \$100.00

Community members, past and present families and educators of Finley High School are invited to purchase an engraved brick as a lasting record of your valued support for Finley High School. The personalized bricks will be displayed in the BBQ area at Finley High School and any funds raised by the P&C will be used to support future programs at the school.

BUY A FAMILY BRICK OR EVEN BETTER ONE FOR EACH MEMBER OF THE FAMILY!

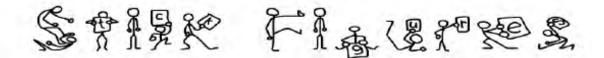
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Please photocopy and pass on to business associates and friends.

A FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL P & C COMMITTEE INITIATIVE

Contact: Carmen 0427 242 148

Kids' Corner * Tocumwal * Finley * Berrigan * Barooga and all the towns in between....



Writing Competition 3 Categories!

- Under 8 Years of Age!
- Under 12 Years of Age!
- Teens!

Write a story of no more than 300 words about why you love living in your Town!

Email you story to tocflyer@gmail.com or mail to Post to P.O. Box 8 Tocumwal NSW 2714.

Stories must be submitted by the 21st June 2022, please include your name age and address.

One Winner from each Category will be selected and their story will be published in the Toc Flyer and on Tocumwal Tourist Information Facebook Page and also prizes could be a Kids meal Voucher from the Tocumwal Ice Creamery or a book from the Berrigan Bookshop!

Good Luck & Get Writing !!

PRIZES

Berrigan Bookshop

We have over 75,000 books in store including first editions and limited productions. If you are seeking a special memory or the latest best seller, chances are we have it can find it. Open seven days a week from 10am to 4.30pm

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