



11th August 2022 | Finley High School



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Key Dates

Newsletter Week 4, Term 3 2022

Date:	Event:	Assessments:
August 12		Yr 12 PDHPE Assessment ~ Task 3 Yr 11 AG ~ Task 2 due
August 16	AECG Meeting – 6:30pm	
August 17	Under 15's Girls AFL Public Speaking	
August 18	Police Recruitment Talk, Deniliquin Yr 11 Biology Excursion	
August 19	Yr 12 Brunch	
August 22 – 26	Yr 12 Trial Exams	
August 23	AFL Swan Shield Quarter Final in Wollongong	
August 23 – 24	Yr 11 Primary Industries Farm Vehicle Safety Course - Boys	
August 26	Yr 10 Subject Selection Information Day	Yr 11 Biology Depth Study due
August 29	Yr 10 Parent/Carer Subject Selection Information Evening ~ 7pm	

A word from Mr Ward

Congratulations Miss Walker & Sarah Bauer



This week, the school celebrated Education week with a special assembly recognising the hard work and dedication of a number of our staff and students. The focus this year was on innovation and leadership.

The Director's major awards this year went to Miss Tegan Walker and Year 10 student Sarah Bauer. Whilst the minor award went to Mr Whitty. There was also a number of staff and students who received Principal awards. It is always so difficult recognising so few when we have so many who do an outstanding job. Congratulations to all our award winners.

At the assembly I also recognised past winners and they include:

2019: Mrs Parr & Mr O'Hora

2020: Mrs Baxter, Mrs Dempster, Mrs Jackson and Mrs O'Leary

2022: Mrs O'Bryan, Mr Webb, Mrs White and Larshya Sutharsamohan

*Principal awards
for outstanding
commitment to Learning
L to R*

Mrs Jenny O'Hora, Alison Kleinschmidt, Remi Pyle, Shae Fennell, Olivia Cicolini, Madison Kleinschmidt, Mrs Jenny Philpot, Archie Mason and Jebidiah MeyerVale.



*L to R
Ms Sharree Goesch, Mr Gordon Close, Miss Chloe Treacy, Mrs Nikki Bird, Mrs Sue Fenaughty, Miss Wendy Coates, Mrs Roslyn Braine and Mrs Sue Jarrott. (Absent Mr Gerard Tessier)*

Sporting Highlights

Special thanks to Mr Tooke who managed the school athletics team at the recent Riverina Carnival. Once again, Finley did very well and a number of our students are off to Sydney for the state carnival.

Mr Tooke also organised for our under 15 boys and girls AFL teams to travel to Albury for the national under 15 AFL carnival. This was a wonderful opportunity to see the best in action and the hard work required to play at the highest level.

ANZAC Celebration Lunch

Thank you to Mrs Baxter who organised for Sarah Bauer, Jasmine Burke and Alison Kleinschmidt to travel to Berrigan with myself and Mrs Baxter to celebrate their great work in submitting essays for the ANZAC scholarship. This was a wonderful reward for their hard work and dedication.

Open Night

Jodi Brown and Miss Perry are to be commended on their coordination of our recent open night. A number of staff gave up their time to attend and represent their faculty. We had approximately 50 people attend. The feedback from parents on the state of the school, our staff and teaching made me feel very proud.

Jeff Ward,
Principal

Australia Geography Competition



Larshya Sutharsamohan and Sarah Bauer have excelled in the 2022 Australian Geography Competition.

Larshya received a High Distinction in the Year 12 section.

Sarah received a Distinction in Year 10.

Both girls have very full calendars and are involved in many activities within the school. They do not currently study Geography, however, have achieved excellent results in this national competition, due to their initiative and dedication.

Bendigo Sheep and Wool Show

Finley High School keep on improving, with our best Bendigo Sheep and Wool Show yet. It was great to be back after a two year hiatus and catch up with plenty of sheep exhibitors and friends. It was quite noticeable to see fewer schools exhibiting since Covid.

We had a fantastic team of students, with Hayley Palmer, Angus Bain, Erin Chesworth, Rosie Steel, Maggie Bramley, Tom White, Ryan Bauer and Nick Chesworth representing our school with distinction.

The major result was winning an adult ewe class with our ewe Shae. She was also the Supreme exhibit at the Holbrook Sheep and Wool show in May. While we have won lamb classes at Bendigo in the past, to win an open class against far larger studs was an outstanding result. The ewe has a major consideration for a broad ribbon in the championship, but we just missed out. Plenty of people made comment on how fantastic this sheep, and all our exhibits looked. Hayley did a terrific handling job to keep her looking great.



Other results included winning all the novice Poll Dorset classes and cleaning up in the Schools Interbreed classes. Shae's twin brother Spartacus won the ram class in the novice and school classes.

Students also received awards for the Poll Dorset handlers' classes and in the Corriedale junior judging competition.

We are very thankful to Gordon Close and Phil Murrowood for their preparation and shearing of the sheep team. Plenty of credit goes to them for how great the sheep looked. Almost the whole team was sired by Hilden sheep from the Frost family. They have been supporting our school with ram semen from their best rams for 10 years now. Also thanks to Genstock for allowing us to AI sheep at Jerilderie each year.

Student Representative Council (SRC) News

MND Fundraiser

On the 22nd of July 2022 the SRC raised \$5000 for Motor Neurone Disease. Students and staff dressed in blue and white. Everyone went to the hall for a presentation by Shae, Olivia and Madison explaining what MND is and the struggles faced by people who suffer with this condition.

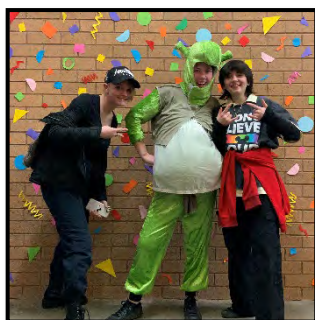
After the presentation, everyone went out to the oval to watch the participants get dunked with ice water to raise money. Thirteen people volunteered including: Mr Hay, Mr Maslen, Mrs Parr, Miss Tobin, Miss Treacy, Mr Pullen, Mr Whitty, Miss Perry, Jodi, Shae, Archie, Madi, Olivia and then there was a surprise dunking of Mr Ward.

Thank you to everyone who participated, donated and supported this wonderful cause.

School Social

The SRC also held the school social on Friday the 22nd of July. After being postponed for a few months we were finally able to bring together the student body for a fun night of singing, dancing and laughter.

Students dressed from a range of shows and books using their creative skills to fit the theme of Pop Culture. Everyone's outfits were outstanding and the prizes of best dressed were awarded to; Abi Litchfield and Shannae Thomson (Shrek and Donkey), Hailey McLean (Link) and Sarah Bauer (The Queen). We were also impressed with everyone's dance moves, especially Jaidyn White, Kohan Joseph, Cherish Joseph and Kade Buckley, who won the awards for best dancers.



Visual Arts

Some of the fantastic student work that was successfully entered into the Staedtler Artist of the Year 2022 Competition



Jeremy Doolan



Kizzi Moore



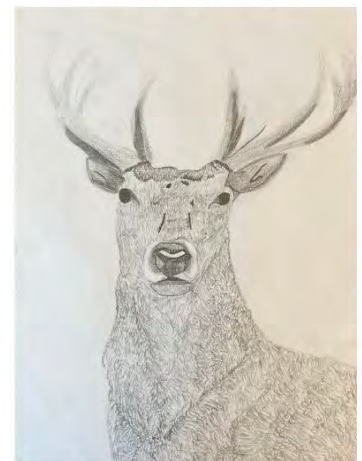
Kate Tilley



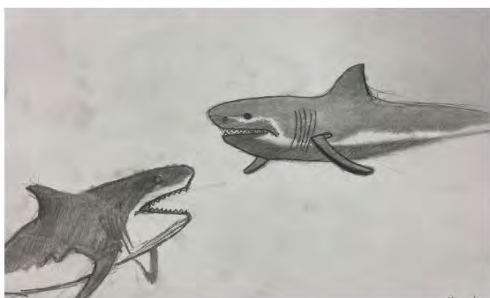
Lucy-Jayne Burdon



Ryan Thornton



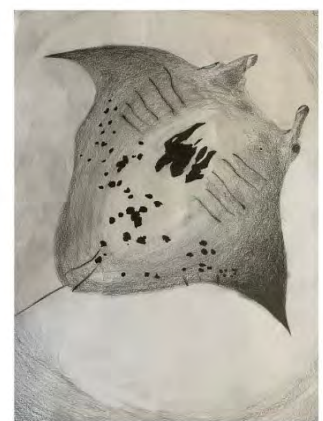
Jett Parker



Mason Loomes



Lily Kocks



Maggie Bramley



Olivia Campbell

Riding Develops Abilities (RDA)

Students from Finley High School participate in Riding develops abilities program in Cobram every fortnight. Horse riding is one of the few sports where both sides of the body are engaged to balance and move with the horse. Students develop a rapport with the animals and practice many different activities that improve confidence and coordination.

Many thanks to the volunteers who provide and transport the horses and devote many hours to developing engaging activities. Our photos show Kade Buckley riding independently while going through his paces.

*Sally Marsden
Coordinator*



Careers News

University of Wollongong Information Session

On Wednesday 3rd August, Finley High School were fortunate to have a rather impromptu visit from Josh Crawley, one of the recruitment officers from the University Of Wollongong. Josh's visit though not really planned, was well timed with Year 12 students currently completing early entry and scholarship applications. Students were walked through the application processes and had an opportunity to ask questions directly through the recruitment team.

Year 12 students Lucy-Jayne Burdon, Shae Fennell, Ruby Russell, Benjamin Anthony, Lucy Armer and Mackenzie Hannan are pictured with Josh.



Defence Talks

On Thursday 4th August, Finley High School hosted the Defence Force Recruitment Team. During the information session students were walked through what life is like in the Defence forces, the recruitment processes, the jobs available and some of the fitness requirements. Information was relevant to Navy, Air Force and Army streams. Students were able to engage directly with the team and it was great to see Finley High students asking some excellent questions around future opportunities.



Students James McNamara, Mason Maraldo, Erin Chesworth and Hayley Kernaghan pictured with the Defence Force Recruitment team.

Resilience Day

On Wednesday 3rd of August all students at Finley High School had the opportunity to participate in a workshop on Building Resilience. The workshops were presented by Tim Powell from Values For Life. The workshops involved a range of engaging activities from knee tag to magic cards tricks, including a moving black dot. Students were entertained with an array of short video clips and some unusual animal photoshopped pairings (eg a sprig - a sparrow pig).

However, the main focus of the workshops was around getting students to think about their lives and the strategies that they can use to rebound when life throws them some curves. From building hope through to using I statements, students were given simple hacks for being resilient. It had them thinking about their own situations in regards to what contributes to emotional and mental stability, as well as the role they play in others' lives. We hope that every student that participated managed to find at least one simple take away from the workshops that will help them continue to build their resilience in an ever changing world.



From the Science Labs



"Year 8S1 are currently studying Body Systems. We have covered nutrition and digestion and now are doing the circulatory system. This day we dissected a heart. The students were able to identify the 4 chambers, the major vessels that enter and leave the heart and the valves that prevent backflow as the blood moves through. All students present enjoyed themselves thoroughly, even if they did seem a little grossed out!" *Ms Michelle Archinal*



Respectful, Responsible Learners



To celebrate Education Week, staff were asked to share their experiences of their own school days. A sample of the responses follow:

- **Highlights from Primary School**

Excursion to Leeton Eisteddfod with my recorder!

Jenny Philpot

First ever Aussie of the Month award winner.

Getting sick on every school excursion!

Will Eldridge

Winning a cricket bat at a coaching clinic for best player and Boys athletic champion in Year 6

Gary Webb

Friendships, Sports, Captain of both Netball and Softball teams

Dim Wright

Dux, Prefect, Librarian, Girls Basketball Team

Nikki Bird

Talking to teachers for the first time. I was in Year 3

Chloe Treacy

- **Highlights from High School**

Captain, Representing Western Sports @ Cricket Umpiring at 3 championships Boys Cricket Carnivals

Mr Whitty

School Captain, Dux, participating in Astley Cup (sporting competition)

Deb White

Interschool Sports carnivals, Mr Carroll calling the events as if he was calling a horse race!

Jenny O'Hora

- **What do you wish you had done at school if you had your time again?**

I was involved in as much as possible, especially sport. I have wonderful memories.

Cath Rorato

Take all opportunities offered and don't worry about what everyone else is doing! – live your own life!

Sasha Congram

Try harder. You'll never get the chance to learn so much about the world all at once again

Anne Wadsworth



2022
FHS
OPEN NIGHT
ENGLISH
FACULTY

Finley High School's TAS Faculty

WOULD LIKE TO THANK LISA AND ROD AT



FOR THE DONATION OF GLASS FOR A
YEAR 12 MAJOR PROJECT.
WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!

The poster is designed to look like a piece of aged, yellowed paper pinned to a dark wood background with four silver push-pins. The text is arranged in a casual, hand-drawn style.

FCC YOUTH GROUP
Bush Dance
AUGUST 13th Sat 2022 7pm
@ Finley High School hall
Pinnuck St, Finley
Cost: \$5/person
\$10/family

*with
Ironbach
Bush
Band*

All ages
welcome!

**Please bring a
plate to share
for supper**

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Contact:
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upcoming sessions

Parents, Carers, and Community Members in Murrumbidgee are invited to attend a free mental health education session in Term 3.



The sessions aim to:

- Strengthen your understanding of mental health definitions.
- Enhance your conversational approach to mental health and well-being.
- Build skills and strategies to support young people, including transition to work and study.
- Build awareness of local, state and national supports available to young people.
- Increase your knowledge & understanding of the mental health challenges facing young people today.
- Introduce you to some of the skills and strategies to encourage and support help-seeking.



Navigating uncertainty and change

Date: Monday, 18 July 2022
Time: 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm AEST
Location: Online webinar
Registration: <https://bit.ly/3uNpJkm>



Connecting and communicating with young people

Date: Tuesday, 16 August 2022
Time: 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm AEST
Location: Online webinar
Registration: <https://bit.ly/3uHsUKz>



For more information

Contact us at programsupport@headspace.org.au



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Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

FINLEY

Near Central Arcade, Pinnuck Street

Wednesday, 24 August 2022 9 am to 4 pm

Thursday, 25 August 2022 9 am to 4 pm

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