



8th September 2023 | Finley High School

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Finley Show Success

Harry Haynes – Champion Pavilion Exhibit

Sophie O'Donnell – Most Successful Junior Photography Exhibitor

Key Dates

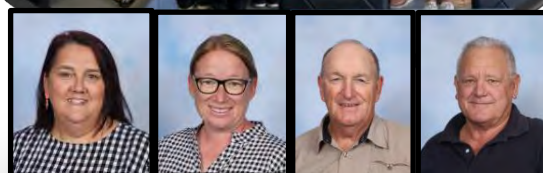
Newsletter Term 3, Week 8 2023

Date:	Event:
Friday 8 th – Wednesday 13 th September	Year Eleven Yearly Exams
Monday 11 th September	Riverina Cricket Trials – Girls
Wednesday 13 th September	Finley High P&C Meeting – Admin staffroom at 7pm. ALL WELCOME
Thursday 14 th September	RUOK? Day
Friday 15 th September	UNSW Medical Careers Day in Wagga
Monday 18 th September	Riverina Cricket Trials – Boys
Tuesday 19 th – Thursday 21 st September	State Tennis – Girls
Tuesday 19 th September	Formal Assembly – 12.30pm
Wednesday 20 th September – Sunday 1 st October	Ag Show Team – Royal Melbourne Show
Wednesday 20 th September	Year Twelve Muck-up Assembly
Thursday 21 st September	Year Twelve Graduation
Friday 22 nd September	Last day for Term 3

A word from Mr Ward

PSA Recognition Week

This week is School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week, a time to acknowledge and thank the often unsung heroes in our public schools. Our SAS staff play an important role in the school community. They are often the first people you see when you enter the school and are essential in maintaining positive relationships with students, parents, and the community. SAS staff work in the school offices, in classrooms, libraries, kitchens and maintain and care for the school grounds and buildings. They are often the ones to tend to the sick students and ensure the efficient management of school finances and administration. Thank you to all our wonderful SAS staff. We will be showing our appreciation for your efforts at a staff morning tea supported by the teaching staff and P&C.



Open Girls Squash team.



Congratulations to our Girls squash team who defeated South Grafton High School 4-0 and now progress to the final four in the state. This is an exceptional achievement. We wish the team of Bella Rourke, Jasmine Burke, Sienna Burke, Melina Sneddon and Erica Nichols all the best in Sydney on the 15th September. Special thanks to the parents who have assisted with transport and super coach Mr Murphy.

UBS Young Women's Leadership

Congratulations to Sarah Bauer and Jasmine Burke who were both successful in their applications for the UBS Young Women's Leadership Academy! This is a great achievement with only 50 students from all schools in the state selected. It is fantastic that we've had two students chosen to participate in this program. The finance leadership academy runs for three days in the coming school holidays.

Assistant in Nursing Traineeship

Congratulations to Charlotte Rafferty on being the successful candidate for the Assistant in Nursing School Based Traineeship at Finley. Charlotte presented very well for her interview and her application was very thorough. This is a fantastic achievement, well done Charlotte.



Leeton Music Eisteddfod

Outstanding results for two musically talented students who competed at the recent Leeton Eisteddfod – Elliott and Bethany Loughridge.

Elliott achieved one 1st prize, one 2nd prize and one highly commended for guitar. He also received a perpetual trophy for encouragement for an instrumentalist. For the piano he was highly commended for his own composition.

Bethany was awarded one 1st prize and two highly commended for cello and received an encouragement award for a string instrumentalist. For piano she received 1st prize for her baroque piece.

The duo also won 1st place in the open piano duet section.

Year 12 Captain Elections 2024

Last week we held an assembly to listen to 14 exceptional students deliver their captains' speeches to the whole school. I want to congratulate the students on doing such a terrific job. The speeches were outstanding, and the quality of applicants far exceeds anything I have ever seen before. The students and staff will now vote, and we will go through the difficult culling process to choose our 2024 captains.

Finley Show

Congratulations to all the students and staff involved in the Finley Show. Our cattle and sheep teams did exceptionally well, winning several awards. The number of awards we won in the show pavilion was exceptional, whilst our Finley High School display was outstanding. Thank you to everyone involved in putting these together and ensuring our school was well represented.

Agriculture Open Day

Last week the Agriculture department held an Open Day. Thank you to the staff and students who did an marvellous job showcasing all that Finley High School has to offer. I spoke to several parents, grandparents and community members who only had positives to share, whilst the students were engaged the whole time working with and preparing the cattle for the upcoming Finley Show.

Corowa High School Visit

Last week five executive members and I did an exchange and spent the day at Corowa High School. With Corowa High very similar to us in size, it was terrific to discuss and exchange ideas. We look forward to future visits and opportunities at other schools. Thank you to the staff, the students and the Principal Dr Jo Bellette for making us feel welcome.

SACEC Visit

It was a pleasure to host the Schools Animal Care and Ethics Committee at Finley High School recently. One of the roles of the SACEC is to monitor the use of animals in schools to ensure compliance with the relevant legislation. From all reports the school is doing an exceptional job and the committee loved the experience. Well done to the Agriculture department for their ongoing hard work.

As we approach to the end of another term, I have been reflecting on the 5 years that I have been here and what impact we are making to the learning of our wonderful students. To do this I asked the executive to outline what we are doing at Finley High School and what they believe is my vision for the school. This is a summary of that work.

"Creating an environment where every student and staff member is given the opportunity to achieve their full potential. A school community that has a culture of high expectations which is created through mutual respect and a supportive environment. By providing opportunities for professional learning to increase staff capacity which hopefully leads to increased student outcomes. We also provide a wonderful caring environment for students who need our support".

Whilst we reflect on the great work we have achieved, there is still so much more to do. I look forward to these challenges and working with the staff to develop and sustain a culture of high expectations in every facet of their education.

Jeff Ward
Principal

Information and Communications Technology (ICT) - ISTEM

Mrs. Close and Year Nine/Ten ISTEM have been working on 3D design and printing with our newly purchased 3D printer (as shown in the photo). Initially, we used Google Sketchup to create a name or pet tag.

The class is now designing a safe, educational toy for young children that can be 3D printed using the 3D drawing program Tinkercad.

Mrs Nicole Close
ICT Coordinator





**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YEAR 12
INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS WHO
RECENTLY SUBMITTED THEIR MAJOR
PROJECTS FOR MARKING.
THEY HAVE DONE A FANTASTIC JOB OF
SHOWCASING THEIR SKILLS!**

Year Eleven English Studies Survey

During the month of August, Year Eleven English Studies students conducted a school-wide survey on digital behaviour. Thank you to those who participated. Some of the most interesting results are displayed below.

Thank you to Mrs Macdermid for visiting our class and sharing her business experience.

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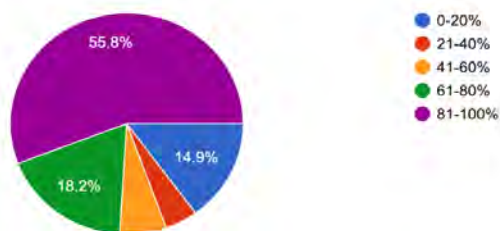
Back: Taralee Graham, Mrs Macdermid, Hayden Keith

Front: Marko Bonic, Lincoln McCallum, Callum Belling, Roree Wallis



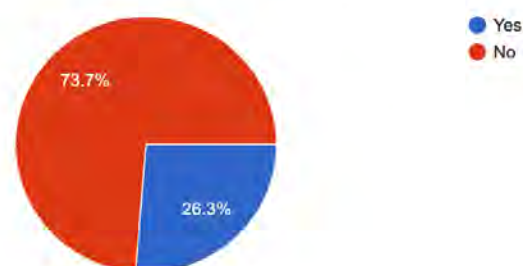
How many online friends do you truly know?

154 responses



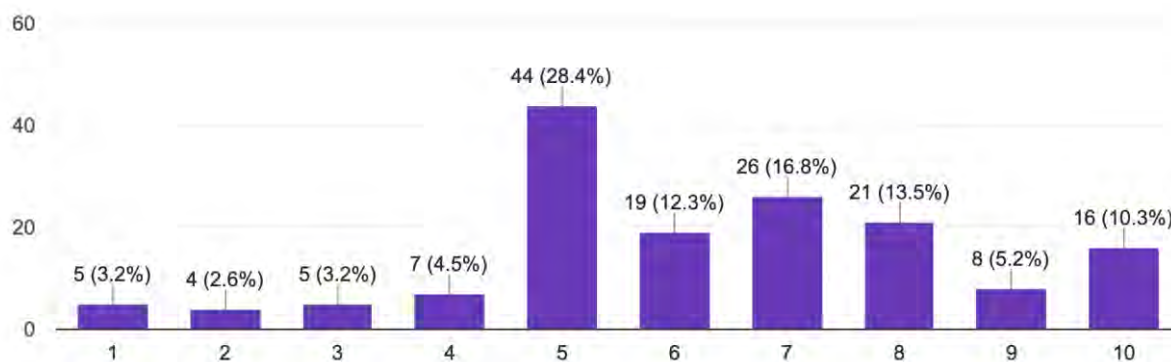
Have you ever been scammed or targeted through social media?

156 responses



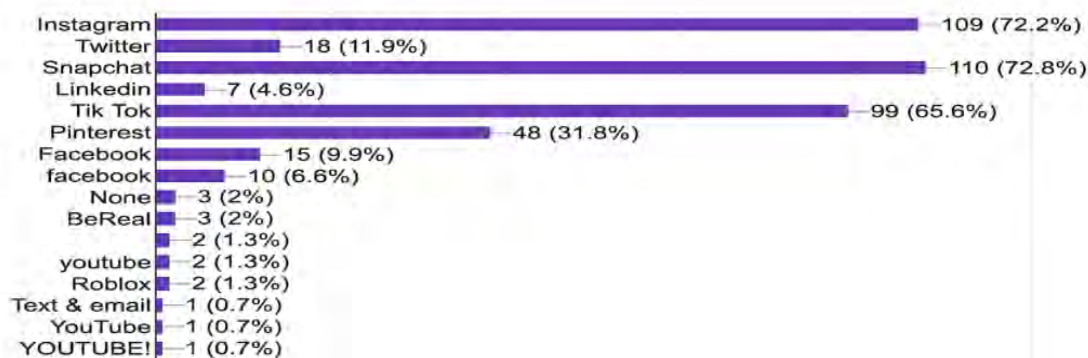
On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate the overall impact of social media on your life? (1 = Extremely Negative, 10 = Extremely Positive)

155 responses



Which social media apps/platforms do you use?

151 responses



2023 Representative Athletics

The representative pathways for the skilled athletics students began with the Zone Carnival in Finley on Friday the 23rd of June. The weather was not the greatest, but the enthusiasm and competitiveness of the participants was inspiring. Finley High had 76 students qualify for this event and recorded a number of sensational results. The greatest effort on the day was from the Year Eleven Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation students who assisted in the running of the carnival. They were in the rain all day and ensured each separate event ran as smoothly as possible.

The Riverina Carnival was held on Friday the 28th of July. There were 35 students who qualified from Finley High School for the Zone Carnival. The competition was very fierce in Albury. There was quite a few Finley athletes who were happy with their results. From this carnival, five students qualified for the State competition, held at Sydney Olympic Park from the 6th to the 8th of September. These students are:

Kade Buckley – 100m, 200m and 800m

Dan Eldridge – Javelin

Tehya Kelly – Discus

Heath Mansell – Discus

Ben Rourke – 1500m

The school and zone carnivals could not happen without the tremendous assistance of Finley Little Athletics. They prepared the Recreation Reserve perfectly and allowed the use of their equipment and expertise. They were more than willing to assist wherever possible and ensure the athletics experience for all involved was to the highest possible standard.

We wish the State competitors the best of luck for this week!

Mr Michael Tooke

Head Teacher PD/H/PE

Robyn Moore - Motivational Speaker



On Wednesday 30th August our Years Ten, Eleven and Twelve students were fortunate enough to listen to one of Australia's best and most in-demand motivational speakers Robyn Moore.

Robyn's message around the power of words delivered through her unique skills was entertaining and thought provoking. Her background in education and as a Voice Over Artist, most famously "Blinky Bill", made the presentation engaging and interesting.

We would like to thank our community group, Southern Riverina Wellbeing Collaborative Group, for this opportunity.

Mrs Jodi Brown

Student Support Officer

Show season is on

The show season is in full swing and we are hoping to attend an uninterrupted run after pandemics and floods interrupted the last few years. We had a fantastic show at Finley, the results of which you can read in a separate article. Coming up we have Melbourne Royal followed by Benalla, Cobram and Yea.

Our Agriculture program is the envy of many schools, but it could not run as it is without the very generous support of our local community. Three recent examples are the Finley Rotary Club providing funding for transport of our very large team of students to the Melbourne Royal, Lachie Falls transporting our Steers to Melbourne, and Downes Rice Hulls from Deniliquin providing a load of rice hulls for our livestock shed.

Photo: *The team at Finley show being presented with a donation for transportation by Debbie Jewell and Peter Rourke representing Finley Rotary club.*





Finley High School

**P&C
MEETING**

will be held in the Admin Staffroom
All welcome!

**Wednesday 13th
September @ 7pm**

Technological and Applied Studies (TAS)– Semester 1 wrap



Year Seven Technology Mandatory students designed and built their own CO₂ cars.

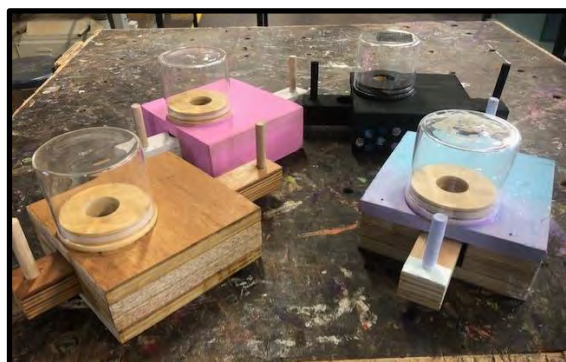
With the assistance of some Year Twelve students, they were able to race their CO₂ cars and achieve some impressive speeds.



Year Nine and Ten students have constructed a Hose Reel and portable barbecues this semester. Students were able to put their barbecues and cooking skills to the test with success.



Stage 5 Food Technology had to design an easy-to-carry and store lunch for a range of hiking scenarios and cater to persons with specific dietary requirements.



Year Eight Technology Mandatory used recycled timber from the school library to design and construct candy dispensers

*Mrs Kim Denny
TAS Teacher*

Ag Team at Finley Show

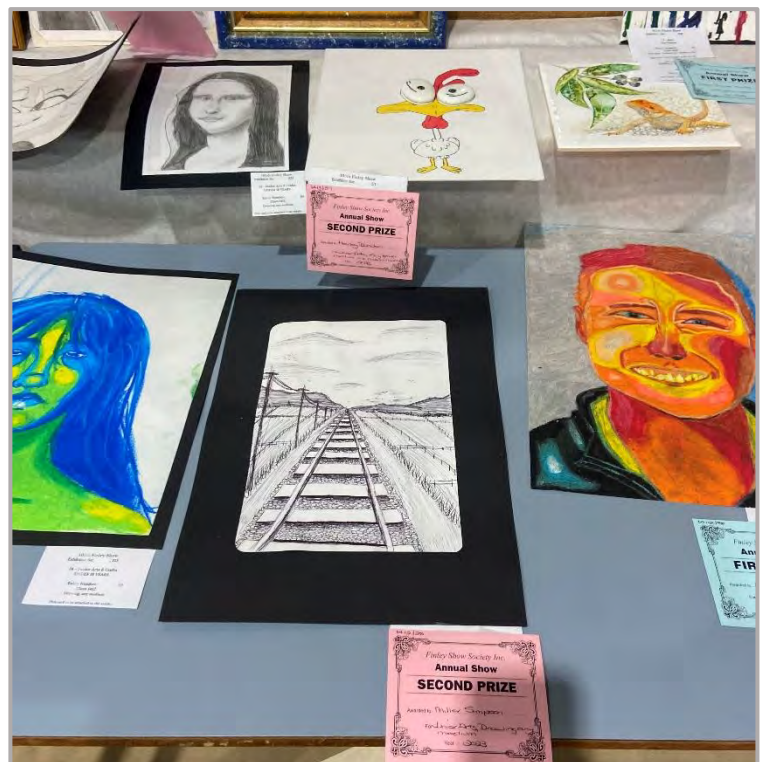


Respectful, Responsible Learners

Visual Art Success at Finley Show

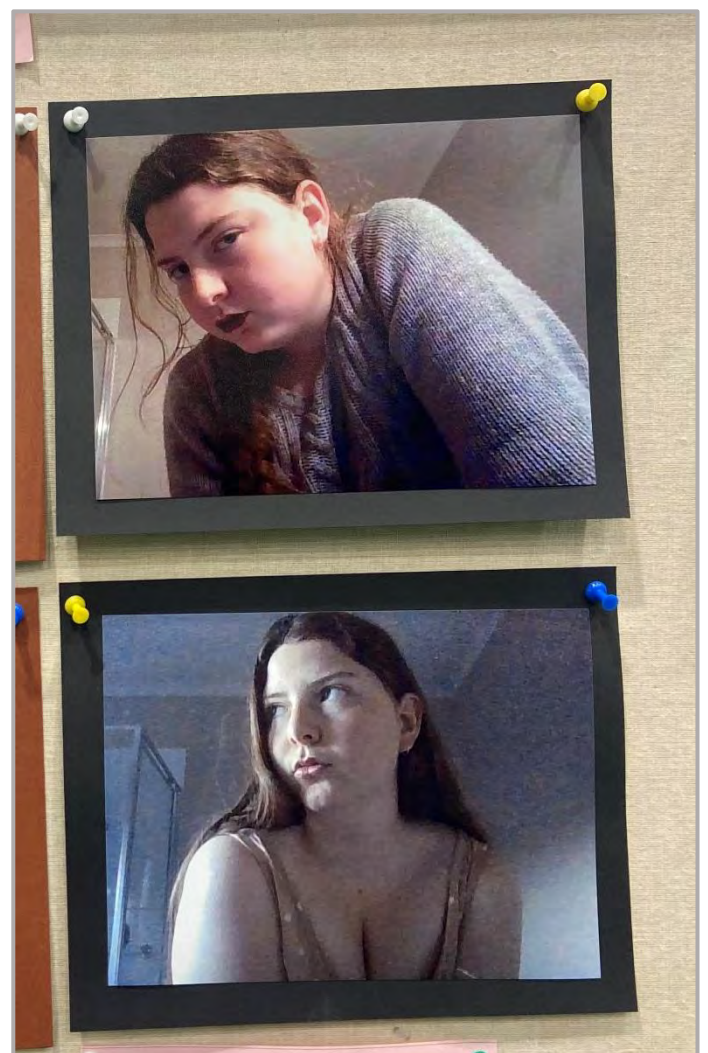
We have some very talented students at Finley High. The Visual Art display at last Sunday's Finley Show was jam-packed with their work. Prize winners on the day included:

- Sophie O'Donnell won Finley Show Society Most Successful Junior Photographer.
- Corey Dundon won first prize in Junior Arts Under 14 open medium category
- Holly Arthur won:
First prize in Junior Arts under 14 Drawing
Junior Arts under 14 painting
- Elliot Loughridge won First Prize in Junior Arts Drawing in any medium
- Miller Simpson won:
First Prize in Junior Arts any other medium
Second Prize in Junior Arts Drawing in any medium
Second Prize in Junior Arts any other medium
- Teagan Dart was awarded Second Prize in Junior Arts Painting
- Aiden Hopkins won First Prize Junior Arts any other artwork
- Georgie Nelson won First Prize in Junior Arts Painting in any medium





A few samples of Sophie O'Donnell's work



Canteen Roster

CANTEEN & UNIFORM SHOP

Contact – 0473 946 683

Volunteers are asked to be at the canteen by 10am sharp.
If you are unable to attend, please change with someone else.

SEPTEMBER

12 th	A Lee
15 th	T Bauer
18 th	G Ferguson
22 nd	M Close

“Unlocking Hope”

Presentation about Memory Loss and Dementia Awareness

Join us for an insightful presentation by **Dr Alam Yoosuff** esteemed medical practitioner based at the Finley Medical Centre in the Berrigan Shire.

Date: Thursday September 14, 2023 Time: 10.00am for 10.30am
Morning tea will be provided

Venue: Finley Returned Soldiers Club, 63-67 Tocumwal Street, Finley

Discover the latest advancements in diagnosis, treatment and caregiving strategies. Dr. Alam's expertise will empower you with knowledge and understanding. There will be opportunities to ask questions of Dr. Alam.

Residents of Barooga, Berrigan, Tocumwal, Finley and surrounding centres including Cobram, Jerilderie and Deniliquin are warmly welcome to attend.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to engage with an expert at the forefront of dementia care as well as the members of the Alliance who are vitally interested in providing assistance and education to members of our communities as well as schools, service clubs etc.

Together, we can make a difference!

An RSVP to **03 5883 9600** would be appreciated but is not essential.



**Event organized by
Berrigan Shire Dementia Alliance**

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STARRING JANE KELLAWAY

FRIDAY 20th OCTOBER 2023

Finley School of Arts Hall - Doors open at 7.00pm - 7.30pm start

Tickets - \$30 per person - available at Finley High School, Jerilderie Newsagents
or www.ticketbo.com.au/fhspandcmothersclub

Supper - Raffles to Win - BYO Drinks (alcohol permitted) - 18+ only event

Further Enquiries - 0428 497 016

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
SPRING COMP**

**ROUND 1
11 OCTOBER**
6 week competition +
Grand Final week

**OPEN TRAINING
SESSIONS**
Tuesdays 5pm-6pm during Spring Comp season
Commences Tuesday 10th October
Training sessions are open to ALL grades

Under 11s
individual registrations**

Under 13s, 15s, 17s
individual and team registrations**

Open Grade
individual and team registrations*

*all registrations to be done through Netball Connect
**boys welcome to register in U11s, U13s and U15s

REGISTRATIONS OPEN MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER
follow the Deniliquin Netball Association Facebook page for more details, and upcoming events!

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Deniliquin Netball Association

FINLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS

100 Years of Disney

**GOLD
COIN
DONATION**



Staff & students of Finley Public School
invite you along to enjoy our 100 years of
Disney school production.

Wednesday 11th October at
Finley High School Hall
Matinee- 11:30am
Night Show- 5:30pm for 6:00pm start

