PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had a wonderful break and our students and families were able to spend some time together, in a relaxing and enjoyable way. My family and I celebrated a truly magical event during the second weekend of the holidays. Our eldest daughter Anna married Ben on the 2nd April at St John’s Heidelberg and we were thrilled to have our third daughter over from London, for the occasion.

There are a number of special events taking place throughout Term 2, beginning with our ANZAC DAY ceremony on Friday 22nd April at 2.30pm; ‘OLYMPIC A THON’ Fundraiser, on Wednesday 27th April, CURRICULUM DAY on Friday 29th April; Education Week and Open Day, NAPLAN for Year 3 and Year 5 students on 10th, 11th & 12th May; LIFE EDUCATION VAN F -6 visit; Year 2 Sleepover as well as a number of planned incursions to complement our Science Inquiry units of work, across all Learning Teams. The inquiry units developed for this term have a strong Science focus and are in line with the Victorian Curriculum F-10.

They include:

LT 1: ‘Weather & Seasons’ (Earth Science)
LT 2: ‘Pop! Bang! Shine!’ (Sound & Light)
LT 3: ‘Animals Now & Then: (Evolution & Adaptation)
LT 4: ‘Get Real: Drug & Health Education & Family Life’

Andrew Stocker from La Trobe University will deliver explicit science lessons and provide Science expertise to all Learning Teams and their Inquiry Units, throughout term 2. We thank Andrew for his generosity of time and expertise.

BREAKFAST CLUB
A reminder to come and join the Findon community for a cheese ‘toastie’ and glass of milk every Wednesday morning from 8.45am throughout Term 2.

TOP THREE in the FINDON SEED SHARE LOCAL LEADER GRANT
Thanks to all families and friends who voted for us. Kath & I will attend a special breakfast on May where they will announce the winners. Let’s keep our fingers crossed!
Term 2 is also our Assessment and Reporting Term, where students will receive their Semester One progress report and parents will have the opportunity to attend Student Led Conferences, in the last week of Term 2.

**ANZAC CEREMONY - April 25th**
ANZAC Day commemorates the landing of Australian and New Zealand troops on the shores of Gallipoli at ANZAC Cove on 25 April 1915. The Australian and New Zealand soldiers were part of a largely British force that also contained troops from France, India, and Newfoundland. On 25 April the allies began an attack on the Ottoman Empire (now Turkey), which was fighting on Germany’s side. This action began an eight-month campaign in which tens of thousands of soldiers lost their lives and thousands more were injured. The campaign ended with the evacuation of all allied troops in January 1916. Although the Gallipoli campaign was unsuccessful, every year, on the anniversary of the landing, Australians honour the courage of those who fought and commemorate the sacrifice of those who died during the campaign. On this day – ANZAC Day – Australians also commemorate those who fought and lost their lives in all wars. We remember and honor the spirit of the original ANZACs. This spirit, with its human qualities of *courage, mate ship and sacrifice*, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity …. *Lest we forget*.

I invite all our parents and families to join us on Friday 22th April at 2.30pm in the BER for our whole school ANZAC Day Ceremony. Our JSC will lead us through a solemn and respectful service and each class will present a wreath/contribution as a sign of remembrance and to celebrate the freedom we have in Australia. Year 6 students will also share writing pieces and reflections.

**HOLIDAY GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE**
Bill has been very busy throughout the holidays keeping our school looking beautiful and maintained and working on various projects. He has cleared all the guttering around the school; checked and unblocked the storm water drains that feed into the courtyard, in preparation for the winter. Well done and a BIG THANKYOU for all the great work!

I leave you with the following words to ponder…

*‘If you can imagine it, you can achieve it. If you can dream it, you can become it’*.  

William Ward

PAULA COSGRAVE
Principal.
Congratulations to the following 11 students who entered a solution to the maths problem of the week in the last week of Term 1. Each of these students earnt 10 house points for their respective houses. Cuthbert won the week with 40 points.

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CUTHBERT-WIN FREEMAN ROYCROFT STRICKLAND
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THIS WEEK’S PROBLEMS

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Each item is marked at 25% off the listed price.

What do I pay for these three things?

Find the next three numbers in the patterns:

1, 11, 31, 51, ____, ____,
11, 21, 30, 38, ____, ____,
3000, 2950, 2850, ____, ____,

**Hint:** Look at the difference between each pair of numbers.

Do you notice a pattern?

Complete the patterns:

10, 20, 30, ____, ____,
4, 8, 12, ____, ____,
4, 7, 10, ____, ____,
30, 24, 18, ____, ____,

Please submit your entry to the office by the end of school on Thursday.

MATHLETICS

It’s great to see students using Mathletics over the Easter Holiday. Looks like we earnt close to 20 certificates. Congratulations to Jake F. (HP) on reaching his Gold certificate.

The class with the highest number of certificates leading into Term 2 is III with 15.

A reminder that the student app for Mathletics is available for the iphone, ipad, tablets and smart phones. Most of the course work (but not all) and Live Mathletics is available via this platform.
Hello Findon Science Enthusiasts!

Welcome back from school holidays!

This is the SCIENCE PAGE of the newsletter, which features Science Quiz Questions and fun science facts every week. All you have to do is answer one or all of the questions – it’s that easy! Students will earn 10 house points for every question that is answered. Students who enter will also have their names published in the school newsletter. Some weeks, students will be announced at assembly and there may be small prizes awarded from time to time. Good luck!

**DID YOU KNOW?**
- Rabbits and parrots can see behind themselves without moving their heads!
- Most dust in your home is actually dead skin! Yuck!

**THIS WEEK’S QUESTIONS**

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Please submit your entries to the OFFICE by THURSDAY afternoon.

Good luck!

*Jenny W & Mrs J*

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**Performing Arts**

**Year 3 & 4**

**Recycled Instruments Unit**

This term the year 3/4 students will be making their own instruments using recycled materials. In order to make these instruments we are asking for donations of recycled goods such as: bottles, rubber bands, tins, cans, bottle tops, cereal boxes, tubs, lids etc. If you could please drop off your washed recyclables to the Performing Arts room that would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance

*Nicole Creek*
Findon’s 2016 Olympic Athon

Wednesday 27th April

Sponsorship forms will be going out this week and information on this fabulous event. Students are encouraged to raise as much money as they can for one of Findon’s biggest fundraisers.

- Students who raise over $20 will receive a prize!
- The 2 students who raise the most money will win a $50 Coles Myer Voucher!
- 2 students from each year level will be chosen to receive a medal for their efforts and participation

Each learning team will participate in an hour of fitness, dance and carnival activities. (Timetable to come)
The year 5/6’s will be performing their Carnival dances to the whole school at 2:30pm on the day.
Parents and family are welcome to come and watch their children on the day and also the 5/6 performance.

Year 4 Camp
PHILLIP ISLAND – SEPTEMBER 14 to 16, 2016

In the last week of Term One, students were given the official 'Expression of Interest’ form for the Year 4 camp. To ensure your child secures a place on this year’s camp, please return this note and pay a $50 deposit by the end of this week (Friday, 15th of April).

Once numbers are finalised, a camp envelope will be sent home containing medical forms, payment details and what students need to pack for the three days.

You can view the facilities on offer at the CYC campsite in Cowes, Phillip Island by visiting the following website: http://theisland.cyc.org.au/

DANIEL FROMM
Year 4 Camp Coordinator
Term 2 2016 Classes at
MILL PARK COMMUNITY HOUSE

68 Mill Park Drive, Mill Park.
www.millparkcommunityhouse.com
Call Lynne or Sandra on 9404 4565

Computer Courses: Introduction to Computers, Word, Excel. All are Learn Local courses.

Accounting: Bookkeeping (basic and advanced), MYOB. All are Learn Local courses.

Medical: Medical Reception, Medical Terminology, Medical Accounts.

Recreation: Yoga, Meditation, Dressmaking, Embroidery, Patchwork, Cake Decorating, Teensew, Kids Craft.

Occasional Childcare: On-site childcare to support courses and Occasional care.

New Courses: Adults Painting, Kids Painting.

Early Childhood Education and Care Courses are now being offered at PRACE – Merrilands Community Centre in partnership with Education Institute (TOID: 21707). The courses begin in early May.

Please contact PRACE on 9462 6077 for more information or visit our website: www.prace.vic.edu.au

Host an exchange student this July and show off your backyard!

Volunteer to host an overseas exchange student this July and open a world of new experiences for your family. WEP overseas exchange students are wonderful role models for young Australians. The personal rewards and friendships that come from hosting often endure for generations.

Three-time host mum, Di, says, "Hosting has made our children more patient and understanding in their personal relationships. It has opened up their world and inspired them! Being a volunteer host family has brought us closer together and I think it may have something to do with our overall happiness and wholeness as a family!"

All exchange students undergo a rigorous application process. Students attend school full-time, are fully insured and have their own spending money to cover personal expenses.

If you’re interested in finding out more, please contact us as soon as possible. To request an information pack, head to our website, www.wep.org.au, email info@wep.org.au or call 1300 884 733 to speak to our friendly hosting team!

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