From the Principal’s desk...

MOTHERS’ DAY STALL
THURSDAY 7TH MAY 2015

LEARNING TEAM 2 DINNER & SLEEPOVER

We had many very excited year 1 & 2 students who came together last Friday night to share in a BBQ dinner and sleepover here at school. There was a chocker block night planned, including games, dinner, toasting marshmallows by the fire, night walk, mini disco, hot milo, movie and a ‘wee’ bit of sleeping! Huge thanks to Florence who led the planning and execution of the night, along with Silvana, Nicole, Mary and Tegan who slept the night; as well as Laura, Tenielle, Steph, Jenny and Helen, for all their team support and organisation. Our students are very lucky to have such dedicated and committed teachers.

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL WORLD A THON FUNDRAISER 2015: Massive thanks to Lucy and Nicole and all teachers and ES’s for another magnificent World A Thon fundraiser for 2015! Please continue to bring in your sponsorship forms and money raised, to finalise our tally.

FOUNDATION (PREP) ENROLMENTS FOR 2016

After a highly successful Foundation Expo Information Night, we are taking enrolments for our 2016 Foundation classes. Please inform family, friends and neighbours that if they have a child starting school next year and would like them to come to our school to enrol them soon. It is important that children are enrolled by the end of Term 2, so that they can participate in our excellent ‘Flying into Foundation’ Program in Terms 3 & 4. School tours are conducted by appointment.

CHILDREN ARRIVING AT SCHOOL BEFORE 8.45AM

The care and safety of children during the school day is clearly the responsibility of the staff of the school. The school also owes a duty of care to those children arriving before the instructional time begins and take on responsibility for yard supervision at 8.45am. If the children are very young we cannot ask them to be responsible for their own behaviour nor can their siblings be expected to do so. These children must be accompanied by an adult until yard supervision begins or they are directed into the classroom by their teacher. If the child’s parent is unable to wait until 8.45am, the child should be enrolled into the Out of School Hours Care program.
Findon Primary School will celebrate Education Week from Monday 18th to Friday 22nd May 2015. Each family will receive an invitation outlining all the events organised for the week here at Findon and we encourage everyone to attend some or all of the events planned. A quality education is one of the greatest gifts we can give future generations. I hope parents will join in the fun during this year’s Education Week. **OPEN DAY TUESDAY 19th May**

‘EDUCATION MAKES CENTS’

We are also conducting a whole school coin trail on Friday 22nd May. Each class is asked to bring as many silver coins as they can, to put together to create the longest or most valuable coin trail. We will then join each class’ trail together, with the next class to see if we can create Findon’s longest trail. All money raised will be put towards our Maths/Science Garden.

**CYBERSAFETY**

The internet offers the chance to explore a virtually limitless world without the constraints of the ‘real’ world. Content on the internet is not broken into age or developmentally appropriate areas. Without supervision and guidance, a young child can either unintentionally or purposely find content that is disturbing, explicit or inappropriate. Just as you would ensure that the books you read to your child are age appropriate and the TV shows they watch are suitably rated, you should monitor what your child is doing, and where they are going, online. Most internet users will at some stage come across confronting content online and in the majority of cases this will not cause long-term harm. Problems can arise when this exposure is constant and is not discussed with a parent who can provide a balanced view. Many disturbing websites are not ‘illegal’ which means that it is up to a parent to monitor and manage. You would not feel safe allowing your child to wander aimlessly through a large city, alone and in the middle of the night. The internet is like a large city, full of good and bad and a place that a child needs to be supervised. The issues of curiosity and exploration are the same for every generation, but the internet means there is far more information which is far more easily accessible. Parents may once have looked up a ‘rude’ word in a dictionary—children today will Google the word instead. Rather than looking up pictures of nude bodies in a biology textbook at the library, today kids can get videos rolling online very quickly. What can parents do to protect their child online? The most important thing you can do is engage in open and honest communication. Use the internet together and make it part of your family’s activities. You do many other activities with your child: walking the dog, going to the movies, and playing in the park—so spend some time online as well.

The more you explore together, the more you will learn about their online behaviours and interests. More options include:

Have a home-based ‘Acceptable Use Agreement’.

You have rules in the real world about what your expectations are, you can have similar rules and consequences for the internet.

**Use an internet filter.**

These can be downloaded for free, or purchased from an IT retailer. Remember that sometimes filters fail, and they can be bypassed—for example, by using the neighbour’s unsecured Wi-Fi.

**Use parental controls.**

You may not be aware that most computers, net browsers, tablets, smartphones and gaming consoles have some level of parental control—for example, the ability to block access to certain categories of websites. These are not the default settings, so you must activate them yourself.

**Talk with your child**

Ensure that you regularly talk with your children about their online experiences. Ask them what they have seen or done, and if they have had any problems. If you hear about a site which concerns you, have a look for yourself. Make sure that you continually reinforce to your children that nothing is so bad that they can’t talk to you about it. Let them know that they should come and tell you when they have any problems online, see something that they know is wrong, or anything that upsets them. Children often fear telling a parent about an online issue as they think this will result in blocking their access to the computer and internet. Don’t threaten to disconnect your child—this will only cause them to keep online problems hidden from you.

I leave you with the following words to ponder…..

‘Education is not the filling of a pail but the lighting of a fire’  *William Butler Yeats*

Paula Cosgrave

*Principal*

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**Download the tiqbiz app to keep up to date with the latest Findon news**

http://www.tiqbiz.com/
Congratulations to the following 12 students who entered the ‘Maths Problem of the Week’ in Week 3 of Term 2. Cuthbert won the week with 6 student entries and 30 House Points. Declan M received a bonus 50 points for Strickland for best entry.

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THIS WEEK’S PROBLEMS – Find the Finishing Number

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<th>House: ______________________</th>
<th>Home Group: ___________</th>
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**Upper** (4 to 6)  
Start ¼ of 180  
Times 5  
Triple  
Add 5²  
Divide by 50  
Triple  
Name the next prime number Finish?

| Middle** (2 to 4)**  
Start 49 ÷ 7  
Times 9  
Add ½ of 32  
Add 111  
Half  
Divide by 5  
Add 781  
Finish?  

| Junior** (F to 2)**  
Start 5 + 6  
Double  
Take away 4  
Add 12  
Double again  
Take away 6-1  
Add 100  
Finish?  

Please submit your entries to the OFFICE by Thursday afternoon. Thank-you.

**MATHLETICS and SPELLODROME**

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.

It is pleasing to see that there has been a spread of certificate earners across the school. An excellent total of 57 certificates have been earnt over the last two weeks. The home group with the most certificates so far this year is HP (85). Class KK from LT4 earnt an impressive 10 certificates last week. Well done.

LOG ONTO MATHLETICS AT: www.mathletics.com.au

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**2015 NETBOOK PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

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YEAR 4 CAMP TO PHILLIP ISLAND - SEPTEMBER 16 to 18, 2015

In the first week of term, 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.

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.

2015 Findon House Athletics Carnival

All 4/5/6 students will compete in three chosen events next Wednesday the 6th of May at the Bundoora RMIT campus (weather permitting).

Students are encouraged to wear their house colours or their Findon uniform and bring warm clothes and a plastic bag. Students will also need to bring their own lunch, a water bottle and appropriate footwear.

Students will have a shuttle bus from Findon to RMIT and will need to be at school in their classrooms by 8:45am.

Students can bring hand held electronic devices and/or reading and writing material at their own risk and responsibility for when they are not competing.

Thank you,
Lucy O’Reilly
Physical Education

Sporting achievements ⭐

Congratulations to Zoe S. and Bradley P. for successfully making it through the District and Division competition levels and now representing the Whittlesea Division at the NMR regional competition!

Bradley will be competing at the NMR Regional Championships the 7th of May for AFL.

Zoe will be playing Netball at the NMR Regional Championships on the 11th of May.

We wish them the best of luck and will update you with the results in the coming weeks

Go Zoe and Brad and Go Findon!!!

Junior School Council 2015 and House Captains 5015 photos now available to order.

Photo’s are $14.00 each, previews of the photos are available at the office.

Please collect an envelope from the office by Friday May 15th.

Thank you.
The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is now open!

Findon students are once again invited to participate in the Premiers’ Reading Challenge for 2015.

The Challenge is a great way to get kids excited about reading and track their reading progress. Students in F-3 are required to read 30 books, with at least 20 from the set list, while 3-6 students need to read 20, with at least 10 from the set list. The set list can be found at [www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc) along with other information about the challenge. Once you have read a book, you need to log in to your account at [https://www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/Challenger/WebLogin.aspx?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1](https://www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/Challenger/WebLogin.aspx?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1) and enter the title and author. Usernames and passwords to log in will be given out by teachers.

Participants will receive a certificate at the closing of the challenge in November, as well as their name in the paper. They will also receive bookmarks and book labels as they complete the challenge.

This is a great, achievable reading goal for all students. Please encourage your child to participate and practice their reading!

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**Student of the Week**

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<th>Sharon</th>
<th>4LT</th>
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<td></td>
<td>For always trying her hardest in class, having a go, taking risks and never giving up.</td>
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<td>For always doing her best at work set in class, giving 100% and helping peers where possible!</td>
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<th>Alexx</th>
<th>5EM</th>
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<td>For trying really hard to do your best work.</td>
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<td>For always putting in 100% effort and always patriating in discussions.</td>
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<td>For always trying your best with your learning, especially reading.</td>
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<td>You have been an excellent contributor to class discussions.</td>
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<th>Ciara</th>
<th>5KK</th>
<th>Isabella</th>
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<td></td>
<td>For always trying your hardest and doing fantastic work.</td>
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<td>You are making a wonderful effort to be true to yourself and doing your best in every situation.</td>
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<th>Stephanie</th>
<th>6AD</th>
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<td>For doing amazing work in reading groups.</td>
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<td>For working well in class and doing his best in his work.</td>
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<td>For trying hard this week to get her work completed and not being distracted.</td>
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<td>For constantly making an effort to complete work her work to the best of her ability.</td>
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<th>Fetalaga</th>
<th>Visual Arts</th>
<th>Kye C</th>
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<td>For trying your best in your school work.</td>
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<td>For trying his best and giving his all in rehearsals for World Athon.</td>
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<th>Fatemeh</th>
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<td>For always trying hard in class, such as speaking louder.</td>
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<td>For trying his best and having a great attitude to the World Athon.</td>
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<th>Rishma</th>
<th>P.E.</th>
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<td>For doing an excellent job in your homework.</td>
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<td>For doing his best with learning the steps for the World Athon.</td>
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<th>Lucy</th>
<th>Kitchen Garden</th>
<th>Nathan (HP)</th>
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<td>For striving for excellence with everything you do and for being a great role model.</td>
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<td>For working well and trying his best in Kitchen.</td>
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Mothers Day Stall Thursday May 7th, 9.00–11.00am

Students will have the opportunity to buy something special for their Mum, Grandma/Nan or someone special for Mothers Day.

Gifts $3.00 each  
Card $1.00 each

Each class will be allocated a time during the morning to visit the stall. Please send your child to school with their money in a purse/wallet/envelope to avoid them losing it. They will also need a recycled bag/plastic bag to carry their gifts home in.

If you are able to come and help on the stall it would be greatly appreciated, even for 1/2 an hour would be fantastic.

Please leave your name at the office.

On the day, please remember to sign in at the Office and then join us in the Science Portables.

Many Thanks

Mothers Day Fundraising Committee

COMPETITION!!!

Celebrate Education Week by entering in our Writer’s Notebook Competition. 

Students and Families are encouraged to get creative and write.

In 100 words or less tell us a story about.....

Education Week 17th – 23rd May 2015 (Week 6)

Enter for your chance to win a $30 Bookclub Voucher!!!

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School Banking is shooting for the stars.

At the beginning of 2016, the School Banking program launched students on a mission to save by raising $1,000,000 in just one term. Our $500,000 School Banking deposits are raised around Australia. It’s a fantastic result that’s seen thousands of Australian children begin their savings mission.

Rewarding good savings behaviour with two new items. To help keep students on track with their savings mission in Term 2, we’ve released two new awesome reward items from our Outer Space Savers range. Students just need to make 12 School Banking deposits to be eligible to redeem a reward item.

You could win a trip to Disneyland California! Don’t forget, students who consistently display great savings behaviour by making 6 or more School Banking deposits in 2016 will automatically go into the draw at the end of the year to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland.

For more information visit schoolbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Only $10 each!
Forms have been sent home for you to place your order. Reusable lunch bag that can be used for lunch orders.

WELCOME EXPO 2015

Get connected to your local community
The Welcome EXPO will profile Council departments and community organisations that focus on:

- Family, children, young people and seniors
- New mums, dads, refugees and international students
- Learning and education
- Health
- Employment
- Sustainability and waste
- Safety and emergency services
- Sports and leisure
- Volunteering

Date: Thursday 7 May 2015
Time: 9.30am - 11.30am
Location: Great Hall, Council Offices, 25 Ferres Road, South Morang
Melway 183 A10

For more information contact Council’s Multicultural Officer on 9357 1154 or email multicultural@whittlesea.vic.gov.au

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2016 SEAL & EXTENSION PROGRAMS TESTING

SEAL & Extension Programs Testing
Testing for both the SEAL and Extension programs will occur Friday 15th May 2015 at 9am. Application forms are available from the General Office on 9407 9700. Please contact Leesa Merino for more information.

MIDDLE YEARS CAMPUS

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Triah Horner – Principal
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EDUCATION WEEK TOURS

- Monday 18th May
- Tuesday 19th May
- Friday 22nd May

All tours begin at 9:15am. Call the General Office on 9407 9700 to book a tour now.
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