

FINDON

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning for life



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DATES TO REMEMBER

THURSDAY, 17th February 2022

FEBRUARY

- 17 YR3 & 4 Scienceworks Excursion
- 23 Breakfast Club 8:45am

MARCH

- 2 YR5 & 6 Sovereign Hill Excursion 8:15am - 4:30pm
- 10 Foundation, YR1 & YR2 'Toys Over Time' Incursion
- 30 Whole School Photo Day

APRIL

- 8 Last Day Term 1
- 26 First Day Term 2

JUNE

- 10 Curriculum Day

Dear Findon Community

It was beautiful to see parents/carers onsite last week at our first assembly. Our new Junior School Councillors and School Captains set a very high standard to ensure a very slick event each week. Thank you, everyone, and well done.

Some exciting news is that we are planning to allow parents/carers onsite to drop off and pick up inside the school grounds very soon, so stay tuned for more information as we work through the logistics.

Typically, Melbourne has turned on hot weather for February, but thankfully the nights are cooler. To cope better with Melbourne's ever-changing weather, we are in the process of upgrading our air conditioning and heating systems across the whole school, which are long overdue and nearly as old as the school! This will make things much more comfortable for everyone.

School Council are working on some other big-ticket building and grounds projects for this year. These include student toilet upgrades, creating an undercover outside area of our SAKG kitchen, adding an automated security gate to the staff car park, and renovating the staff room and reception to include new office space for the Business Manager. In addition, we are looking into a major revamp of our junior playground area and will be inviting parents for feedback/ideas on the design in the upcoming months.

COVID is still playing a big part in our school life. We have air purifiers throughout the school and our usual COVID safe practices in place. The distribution of the Rapid Antigen Tests has also been a success. Unfortunately, several students have tested positive, but thankfully there haven't been any cluster outbreaks as a result. All positive cases will continue to be reported via Compass to keep our community up-to-date and aware of developments. Please note that we do not conduct any testing or administer vaccinations on site.

Wellbeing is high on the agenda for the school alongside teaching and learning. To further support this, we have timetabled all teams to regularly meet and plan, including a specific time when staff will monitor student attendance. Chloe Gerada is coordinating these meetings as our new Student Engagement Learning Specialist. In addition, we have appointed a new Attendance Officer, Stacey Kakalis, who will start in 3 weeks to provide administration assistance.

Teacher quality is the most important in-school factor influencing student achievement. However, the relationship between teacher quality and student achievement is affected by the amount of time students spend in the classroom. Therefore, irrespective of the reasons for absences, non-attendance affects student outcomes.

Protecting the safety and wellbeing of children through the reporting and monitoring of absenteeism is the responsibility of both parents/carers and schools. Please remember to log your child's absence on Compass to keep accurate records and keep everyone safe. Alternatively, call the school on 9404 1362 or email at findon.ps@education.vic.gov.au if your child will be away or late for school.

Clear communication and building a positive and collaborative relationship between schools and parents is critical to successfully implementing same-day notifications. Therefore, our school will contact you as soon as practicable if a student is not at school and you haven't notified the school.

If we cannot reach you, we will contact any emergency contact/s nominated on your child's file held by the school, where possible, on the same day of the unexplained absence.

Please remember it is your responsibility to contact us to explain your child's absence from school, and where possible, please inform us in advance of upcoming absences.

On a lighter note, next week my daughter is getting married. As the Mother Of The Bride, I will be taking some personal leave, and Linda Dimos will be Acting Principal in my absence. Fingers crossed, there won't be any sudden changes in COVID restrictions. We've made it this far!

Have the best fortnight.

Sheryl

Introducing our 2022 Specialist Team



Steve Clogstoun (Mr C) Physical Education Teacher

Hi my name is Mr C, and I have been teaching for 7 years after getting my degree at the age 40. I have had many PE leadership roles throughout my time and love coaching all sports, especially Basketball where I have taken teams to state finals. Out of school, I have many interests such as, keeping fit, listening to 80s rock n roll and playing in an 80's tribute show. I proudly support the West Coast Eagles and have met various celebrities such as, Roger Federer and John Cena.

I am so excited to be at Findon and cannot wait to get to know the Findon community.



Jenny Trajkovski (Mrs T) Visual and Media Arts

Hi there. My name is Jenny Trajkovski or better known as 'Ms T' to the students. I cannot believe it is 2022 already and what a big year it is going to be. Now just a little bit about myself. I have been teaching at Findon Primary for a long time and I still love it. The students are my inspiration to keep on going. I love their creative minds and enthusiasm. They make my job so much easier. I have two boys, Zachary who has just completed university and is now 'Dr Zac' officially a Chiropractor and my other boy Alexander, has an important year ahead, completing Year 12! I love to travel, read books and going to the beach. It's a big year for Findon too. Its Arts Festival year and that means exciting times ahead. Lots of creative minds will be busy creating this year. I cannot wait!



Ibu Annie Indonesian

Hi, saya Ibu Annie, guru Bahasa Indonesia – Hi I'm Mrs. Annie, the Indonesian teacher. I'm so delighted to be teaching Indonesian in Findon Primary School from Prep to Year 6. I am from Malaysia, but of an Indian origin and am enjoying seeing students of all backgrounds appreciate learning the Indonesian language and culture. My family of 4 includes husband Joseph, daughter Jemima who is studying nursing and my son Jeremiah in Year 7. I enjoy taking long walks and reading. I always look forward to catching up with friends and enjoying good food, especially spicy Asian food.



Jacque Poole (Ms Poole) Performing Arts Teacher

I am very excited to have the opportunity to teach Performing Arts at Findon Primary School this year. I have a background as a classical violinist, and after graduating from the University of Western Australia with a Bachelor of Music, I worked as a violin teacher and toured with various ensembles and chamber orchestras.

In 2013 I graduated from Murdoch University with a teaching qualification and moved from Perth to Melbourne with my partner, where I started my career as a Performing Arts Teacher. I am already enjoying being part of the Findon Primary School community. Students, parents and teachers have been incredibly welcoming and it is a pleasure coming to work each day.

I have 3 cats and love cooking, exercising, dad jokes, writing music and reading crime novels.





STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Teachers Choice

F1CM	Emma. M	For being a superstar helper and role model to the foundation students as they begin school.	Care and Compassion
F1MC	Nate	For having such an amazing start to school. You have been such a super star!	Doing Your Best
F1FH	Scarlett	For trying hard to take personal responsibility for completing work tasks and for making sure she puts away her work tools when she has finished with them	Responsibility
2NH	Will	By showing respect through listening to his teachers and peers as well as actively participating in all classroom activities.	Respect
2DF	Joel	For showing kindness to your classmates and respect for others when participating in different learning activities	Respect
34NA	Shamus	For settling into Findon PS with ease. You have shown persistence with your snapshot writing and have completed it with a fantastic attitude. Keep it up Shamus!	Doing Your Best
34MZ	Joshua	By extending himself in Maths and showing persistence and determination when faced with challenging tasks.	Doing Your Best
34ND	Hannah	For showing how to be a good friend by comforting her peers when they were feeling sad. Well done!	Care and Compassion
34SJ	Arissa	For starting school positively and being so responsible with her learning and belongings	Responsibility
34MM	Lachlan	For having a fabulous attitude towards learning and for consistently completing all tasks to the best of his ability.	Doing Your Best
56EW	Storm	For always being considerate, friendly and looking out for his peers and teachers.	Care and Compassion
56AS	Aiden	For consistently applying himself to his learning in the first weeks of term.	Doing your best
56KT	Harliv	For being a respectful and responsible student. Harliv displays a positive and caring attitude towards his learning and classmates.	Responsibility
56CM	Charlotte	For being a fantastic role model to other students and taking initiative to lend a helping hand to her teachers and peers. Well done Charlotte!	Responsibility
56EB	Erik	For taking charge of his learning and completing all set tasks to the best of his ability. Well done Erik!	Responsibility
VA	Sienna 1CM	For displaying Care & Compassion towards her peers during the Visual Art class, by supporting them with their task.	Care and Compassion
PA	Storm EW	For displaying care and compassion during Performing Arts, by supporting and encouraging his peers to have a go.	Care and Compassion
IND	Ebony FFH	For taking good care of school things and putting them away properly in the right place.	Responsibility
KK	Aaron SJ	Showing excellent leadership in kitchen class, helping to guide your class mates.	Responsibility





MILL PARK SECONDARY COLLEGE
INVITES FAMILIES TO JOIN US FOR OUR

Term 1 Middle Years Campus Tours

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, bookings to attend the Campus Tours are essential.

Bookings can be made via trybooking in the URL provided or by scanning the QR code.

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/BXHWM>
millparksc.vic.edu.au



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Certificate III in School Based Education Support

Code: CHC30221

Education Support is a flexible and rewarding career where you can make a meaningful impact on the lives of children with additional needs.

This industry driven and dynamic learning experience will ensure you are job-ready with the skills employers are looking for. You will learn with the guidance of expert teachers in a friendly and supportive classroom.

Graduates are in demand and work in a range of educational settings, including primary, secondary & special schools as well as areas of early childhood education.

PATHWAYS

Graduates work as Education Assistants, Teacher's Aides and Support Workers.

ENROLMENTS

Call 9462 6077 to book a pre-enrolment interview.

CONTACT PRACE

Main Office - Merrilands Community Centre
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*Please note change in dates

LOCATION

Olivine by Mirvac, Shared Space Community Centre, 995 Donnybrook Road, Donnybrook

DATES & DURATION*

7 April - 8 Dec 2022
(Plus Fri. 8 April - session via remote learning)
29 sessions, 2 workshops & 100 hour placement.
(Excl. public & school holidays)

DAYS & HOURS

Thursdays
9.45am - 2.45pm

STUDY MODE

Classroom & remote/mixed mode classes, self-directed offsite tasks & research, practical placement and industry/assessment workshops.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Moderate computer and internet and email skills.
English LLN skills at an industry entry standard.

FEES

Gov. subsidised:
Concession \$90
Full \$450

Non-subsidised:
\$5670*

*Special consideration may apply + \$10 Services & amenities fee

*Course commencement is subject to variation, sufficient enrolments and eligibility requirements.

Prace encourages individuals with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities.

This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth government funding.

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FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2022 | North West Region

6:30pm - 7:30pm (via ZOOM)

Now more than ever, foster carers are needed for children & young people across Victoria.

REGISTER NOW!

Online Information Presentations available during COVID-19



9301 5200 | Carer.Info@anglicarevic.org.au | anglicarevic.org.au

Newsletter

Camp Australia Findon Primary School OSHC – February Newsletter



Welcome Back to Your OSHC!

Term 1 Begins!

Welcome back! I hope you enjoyed your long break and are ready to have more fun at Camp Australia. This year in Your OSHC I intend to provide more fun experiences that include science experiments, arts and craft, indoor and outdoor play, team building and much more. I am excited to continue to have learning opportunities through sessions based around cyber-safety, being sun smart, hygiene/cleanliness, and bullying.



Thank you for reading our first newsletter of the year. I am excited for this new year and what new experiences are yet to come.

See you all soon.

- Jeffrey Isla
Coordinator



Coordinator: Jeffrey Isla

5 fun facts:

- I am an Australian Filipino
- I love sports
- I love food
- I have 6 sibling 3 brother & 3 sisters
- I enjoy coordinating at Findon OSHC

I am usually single staff but as more children come join the fun here at Camp Australia, we should expect more educators on site.



Canteen Menu

Findon Primary

Please make sure all Lunch Orders are clearly labelled with your
NAME and Room number
Paper Bag 10c Tomato Sauce 30c.

Freshly Made Sandwiches

Salad – Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber & Beetroot	4.00
Salad with Ham / Tuna / Roast Chicken	5.00
Salad with Cheese	4.30
Ham / Tuna / Roast Chicken	3.50
Cheese & Tomato	2.80
Egg & Lettuce	4.00
Ham & Cheese	3.80
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	4.10
Vegete	2.00
Cheese	2.50
ADD – Beetroot, Carrot, Tomato, Mayo	.30
Cheese	.40
Avocado, Egg	1.00
ADD – Roll or Wrap	.50

Toasties

Cheese	2.70
Cheese & Tomato	3.00
Ham Cheese	4.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	4.30
Spaghetti	3.00
Baked Beans	3.00

Focaccias

Roast Chicken, Cheese & Avocado (H)	6.50
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	6.50

Salad Tubs

Lettuce, Carrot, Cucumber, Tomato Beetroot & Salad Dressing	5.00
ADD – Roast Chicken / Tuna / Ham	1.50

Frozen Treats

Paddle Pop	2.00
Icy Twist	1.50
Frozen Jelly Fruits	.50
Zing Frozen Yoghurt	1.00
Twisted Frozen Yoghurt	2.00

Warm foods

Pastizzi Cheese (H)	1.00
Chicken Parma (H)	3.50
Meatball & Cheese Sub	4.50
Hot Dog	3.50
Hot Dog (H)	3.50
Hot Dog with Cheese	3.90
Hot Chicken Roll with Mayo or Gravy (H)	4.50
Homemade Lasagne (H)	4.50
Homemade Mac & Cheese (H)	4.50
Steamed Dim Sims (H)	1.00
Corn on the Cob (H)	1.00
Chicken Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	4.50
Beef Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	4.50
Fish Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	4.50
Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap- Lettuce/Mayo	4.50
Chicken Dino Snacks X 3 (H)	3.00
Chicken Dino Snacks X 6 (H)	5.00
Veggie Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	5.00
Noodle Cup – Chicken (H)	3.00
Homemade Margarita Pizza (H)	3.00
Homemade Hawaiian Pizza	4.00
Homemade BBQ Chicken Pizza (H)	4.00
Lite Meat Pie (H) & Pastie	4.50
Homemade Sausage Roll	3.50

Gluten Free

Chicken Tender Wrap – Lettuce/Mayo	5.50
Chicken Nuggets x 6	6.00
Meat Pie	5.50
Party Pie / Party Sausage Roll	2.00
Noodle Cup - Chicken	4.00
Lasagne	5.50

Gluten Free Snacks

Rice Cakes	.50
Rice Crackers	.10
Cornto's (BBQ or Cheese)	1.00



Canteen Menu

Combo Packs

All Packs come with a FREE Mini Muffin

Please choose a drink-

Water, Chill-J, Big M, or Slush Puppie

Orders are to be clearly labelled with

Pack number/Food item & Drink

Paper Bag 10c Tomato Sauce 30c

Pack 1 – Lasagne / Mac & Cheese	6.50
Pack 2 – Chicken Burger	6.50
- Beef Burger	6.50
- Fish Burger	6.50
Pack 3 – Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap (H)	6.50
Pack 4 – 3 X Steamed Dim Sims (H)	5.00
Pack 5 – Chicken Parma	5.50
Pack 6 – Meatball & Cheese Sub	6.50
Pack 7 – 3 X Pastizzi (H)	5.00
Pack 8 – Hot Dog / Hot Dog (H)	5.50
Cheese	5.90
Pack 9 – 6 X Chicken Dino Snacks	7.00
Pack 10 –	
Pack 11 – Veggie Burger	7.00
Pack 12 – Noodle Cup - Chicken	5.00
Pack 13 – Meat Pie (Lite) / Meat Pie (H)	6.50
- Pastie	6.50
Pack 14 – Homemade Sausage Roll	5.50

TOMATO SAUCE 30c

Fruity Findon

Frozen Orange Quarter	.40
Slinky Apple	1.00

Drinks

Water	1.50
Big M (Chocolate or Strawberry)	2.00
Plain Milk	1.50
Chill-J (Grape, Orange & Passionfruit, Watermelon)	2.00
Slush Puppie	2.00

Snacks

Boiled Egg	1.00
Cucumber & Carrot Sticks	2.00
Jelly Cup (Lite)	1.00
JJ Snacks, Popcorn	1.50
Cornito's (BBQ or Cheese)	1.00
Homemade Mini Muffin	.50
Homemade Chocolate Cookie or Yumball	1.00
Rice Crackers	.10

\$1.00 Hot Food Specials can be

Purchased over the counter

At recess and Lunchtime only -

NOT Available in Lunch Orders