

FINDON

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning for life



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DATES TO REMEMBER

THURSDAY 28th April 2022

MAY

- 2 F-2 Mad about Science Incursion
- 3 Mother's Day Stall
- 4 F-2 Mad about Science Incursion
- 5 YR 5/6
- 6 FUN-A-THON
- 10 NAPLAN - YR 3&5 Writing
- 11 NAPLAN - YR 5 Reading & Convention
- 12 NAPLAN - YR 3 Reading & Convention
- 16 NAPLAN - YR 3&5 Numeracy

JUNE

- 10 Curriculum Day

WELCOME BACK

Hello everyone,

A very warm welcome back to Term 2. I am sure students and families are ready to return to school, reconnect and engage with the learning. Welcome back also to our staff, and we trust you were able to spend some quality time with family and friends. We hope everyone had a great break and enjoyed the Easter period. As we await final approval for the recommended applicant from the Department of Education, it is an honour to step in as Acting Principal for the first four weeks of Term. I have been the substantive Assistant Principal at Findon for many years, and have had the pleasure of being a part of a wonderful community, being fully immersed in the culture of the school and getting to know the community. I look forward to seeing everyone during these first few days.



STUDENT LEARNING

Congratulations to all of our students, staff and parents for the efforts in settling back into continuous onsite learning after much interruption over the last couple of years. Our student leaders are also doing great work, and this is just the beginning! Well done to our new families who have joined Findon, well supported by the community, and all of the Foundation students for working through Term 1. Student learning and wellbeing continue to remain a focus at Findon. Focusing on elements such as effective teaching practice, social engagement, teacher-student-parent relationships, learner characteristics and dispositions, and fostering a safe and secure environment are pivotal to maintain this focus. There are a few upcoming events to promote a deep engagement in learning and building social connections:

May 2nd and May 4th – Foundation to Year 2 Mad About Science Incursion

May 3rd – Mother's Day Stall

May 5th – Year 5/6 Immigration Museum

May 6th – Fun Athon

** Please note, there will be a ceremony commemorating ANZAC day this Friday April 29, at assembly (weather permitting).

The students are very much looking forward to these events, and the school looks forward to sharing the learning and fun with the community. Please stay tuned for photos and sharing in coming weeks.

NAPLAN



In 2022, Findon will be conducting NAPLAN online as per Department of Education requirements. Families of students in Year 3 and 5, would have received information regarding the NAPLAN assessment. This flyer has also been attached to this newsletter for your perusal. NAPLAN Online, means reduced time between assessment and reporting, meaning teachers are able to use the data to inform teaching practice, the test is more tailored, responding to student responses, and there is a greater test window of 2 weeks, which provides additional flexibility to schedule tests at appropriate times. NAPLAN dates for the students have been set for:

Tuesday May 10 th	Wednesday May 11 th	Thursday May 12 th	Monday May 16 th
Year 3 & 5 Writing	Year 5 Reading & Conventions of Language	Year 3 Reading & Conventions of Language	Year 3 & 5 Numeracy

ATTENDANCE

Our school holds student attendance in the highest regard. Students are able to learn and build social connections when they are at school. Every day counts, so please ensure students are at school daily unless absolutely necessary. The school is currently working toward a staged approach to managing non-attendance, which is currently going through the consultation process. We look forward to sharing this with the community in the near future to maintain a continued focus on attendance.

EVERY
DAY
COUNTS

VALUES & SCHOOL UNIFORM

Findon Primary School lives and breathes our values. These are listed below and additional information can be found on the school website. Adhering to these values helps to ensure the strong community connections at Findon PS are maintained:

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

HONESTY

DOING YOUR BEST

CARE AND COMPASSION

As the weather turns a little cooler, we also take this opportunity to remind students and families of the Findon Uniform policy

<https://www.findonps.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Uniform-and-Sun-Smart-Policy.pdf>

FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS FOR 2023

We are continuing to take Foundation enrolments for 2023. 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. Enrolment forms are also online. Please contact the school to book an appointment for one of our highly valued school tours.

Enjoy the fortnight ahead.

Kind regards,

Linda

NAPLAN – information for parents and carers



2022

Why do students do NAPLAN?

NAPLAN is a national literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit in May each year. It is the only national assessment all Australian students do.

As students progress through their school years, it's important to check how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy.

NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum and allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national standards and over time.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It doesn't replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' progress.

NAPLAN also provides schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working and whether young Australians are achieving important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy.

Your child will do the NAPLAN tests online

Schools are transitioning from paper-based to computer-based assessments. Most schools will complete NAPLAN tests online in 2022. All Year 3 students will continue to complete the writing assessment on paper.

Online NAPLAN tests provide more precise results and are more engaging for students. One of the main benefits is tailored (or adaptive) testing, where the test presents questions which may be more or less difficult depending on a student's responses.

Tailored testing allows a wider range of student abilities to be assessed and measures student achievement more precisely. A student's overall NAPLAN result is based on both the number and complexity of questions they answer correctly. Your child should not be concerned if they find questions challenging; they may be taking a more complex test pathway.

What does NAPLAN assess?

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through their regular school curriculum.

Students sit assessments in writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. Questions assess content linked to the Australian Curriculum: English and Mathematics.

All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN test materials.

To find out more about NAPLAN, visit nap.edu.au

Participation in NAPLAN

NAPLAN is for everyone. ACARA supports inclusive testing so all students can participate in the national assessment program.

Adjustments are available for students with disability who have diverse functional abilities and needs.

Schools should work with parents/carers and students to identify, on a case-by-case basis, reasonable adjustments required for individual students with disability to access NAPLAN. Adjustments should reflect the support normally provided for classroom assessments.

To help inform these decisions, you may consult the [NAPLAN public demonstration site](#), the [Guide for schools to assist students with disability to access NAPLAN](#), or our [series of videos](#) where parents/carers, teachers and students share their experience of using NAPLAN adjustments.

In exceptional circumstances, a student with a disability that severely limits their capacity to participate in the assessment, or a student who has recently arrived in Australia and has a non-English speaking background, may be granted a formal exemption.

Your school principal and your local test administration authority can give you more information on adjustments for students with disability or the process required to gain a formal exemption.

What if my child is absent from school on NAPLAN days?

Where possible, schools may arrange for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during the school's test schedule.

What can I do to support my child?

Students are not expected to study for NAPLAN.

You can support your child by reassuring them that NAPLAN is a part of their school program and reminding them to simply do their best.

ACARA does not recommend excessive preparation for NAPLAN or the use of services by coaching providers.

Some familiarisation and explanation of NAPLAN is useful to help students understand and be comfortable with the format of the tests. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and will provide appropriate support and guidance.

See the types of questions and tools available in the online NAPLAN assessments at nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site

NAPLAN timetable

The NAPLAN online test window is nine days. This is to accommodate schools that may have fewer devices.

The NAPLAN online test window starts on Tuesday 10 May and finishes on Friday 20 May 2022. Tests must be scheduled as soon as possible within the testing window, prioritising the first week.

Online NAPLAN test scheduling requirements are detailed in the table below.

How is my child's performance reported?

Individual student performance is shown on a national achievement scale for each assessment. A result at the national minimum standard indicates that the student has demonstrated the basic literacy and numeracy skills needed to participate fully in that year level.

A NAPLAN individual student report will be provided by your child's school later in the year. If you do not receive a report, you should contact your child's school.

How are NAPLAN results used?

- Students and parents/carers may use individual results to discuss progress with teachers.
- Teachers use results to help identify students who need greater challenges or extra support.
- Schools use results to identify strengths and areas of need to improve teaching programs, and to set goals in literacy and numeracy.
- School systems use results to review programs and support offered to schools.
- The community can see information about the performance of schools over time at myschool.edu.au

Where can I get more information?

For more information about NAPLAN:

- contact your child's school
- contact your local test administration authority at nap.edu.au/TAA
- visit nap.edu.au

To learn how ACARA handles personal information for NAPLAN, visit nap.edu.au/naplan/privacy

Test	Scheduling requirements	Duration	Test description
Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 3 students do the writing test on paper (on day 1 only)• Year 5 writing must start on day 1 (schools must prioritise completion of writing across days 1 and 2 only)• Years 7 and 9 writing must start on day 2 (schools must prioritise completion of writing across days 2 and 3 only)	Year 3: 40 min. Year 5: 42 min. Year 7: 42 min. Year 9: 42 min.	Students are provided with a 'writing stimulus' (sometimes called a 'prompt' – an idea or topic) and asked to write a response in a particular genre (narrative or persuasive writing)
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To ensure online schools are able to complete NAPLAN tests within the nine-day testing window, Year 7 and 9 students can start with reading on day 1; however, writing must start on day 2• To be completed before the conventions of language test	Year 3: 45 min. Year 5: 50 min. Year 7: 65 min. Year 9: 65 min.	Students read a range of informative, imaginative and persuasive texts and then answer related questions
Conventions of language	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To be completed after the reading test	Year 3: 45 min. Year 5: 45 min. Year 7: 45 min. Year 9: 45 min.	Assesses spelling, grammar and punctuation
Numeracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To be completed after the conventions of language test	Year 3: 45 min. Year 5: 50 min. Year 7: 65 min. Year 9: 65 min.	Assesses number and algebra, measurement and geometry, and statistics and probability



MATHS PROBLEM



Hi everybody, after a little hiatus, the 'Maths Problem of the Week' page is back for 2022.

For those of you who don't know, if you would like to participate, simply answer the question that is the right level for you. If you would like to answer more than one that's great too. If you feel you can't show your working out on this page, then just do that on a separate piece of paper and add your name, house and class (very important!). When you are ready, simply drop off your entry at the front office.

Name	HG	Level	House	Name	HG	Level	House
THIS COULD BE YOU!				THIS COULD BE YOU!			

House Points

Cuthbert - WIN	Freeman	Roycroft	Strickland
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THIS WEEK'S PROBLEMS

Upper (4 to 6)	Middle (2 to 4)	Junior (P to 2)									
Name:	Name:	Name:									
House:	House:	House:									
Home Group:	Home Group:	Home Group:									
Magic Square: Complete this magic square so that it contains all the odd numbers from one to 17, and each row, column and diagonal add up to 27. <table border="1" style="margin-top: 10px;"> <tr><td></td><td>1</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td></td><td>13</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr> </table>		1		5		13				This year the AFL Grand Final is on September 24th. How many days are there from May 1st until the AFL Grand Final? Hint: There are normally 30 or 31 days each month and September is the 9 th month of the year. Working Out:	Complete the patterns: 4, 6, 8, __, __, __ 5, 10, 15, __, __, __ 6, 10, 14, __, __, __ 50, 47, 44, __, __, __ 25, 50, 75, __, __, __
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Please submit your entries to the OFFICE by Thursday afternoon. Thank-you.

MATHLETICS

It's great to see that students are logging on to Mathletics and practicing their maths skills. So far in 2022, 87 certificates have been awarded to Findon students.

For those of you who don't know, you can earn points on Mathletics each week from Monday to Sunday. If you earn 1000 points in a week, you are awarded a certificate. A Bronze certificate. Once you earn your 5th certificate, this is a Silver certificate. When you are your 20th certificate, this is a Gold certificate. Gold certificates are presented at assembly.

Congratulations to Gabriel C. (6AS) and Logan G. (6KT) on reaching their Gold Certificate this year.

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

STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Teachers Choice

F1MC	Mia	For always being a helpful member of the class and cheering up others when they are sad. You are awesome, Mia!	Care & Compassion
F1FH	Maddison	Maddison has been trying really hard to take personal responsibility for completing the work tasks and being increasingly confident to seek clarification if unsure of what to do.	Responsibly
2NH	Nikhitaa S.	Doing your best with your creative writing and great all round effort in all of your learning	Doing Your Best
2DF	Phoenix L-C	Displaying a great attitude to all areas of your learning including creative writing, measuring length and your inquiry poster..	Doing Your Best
34NA	Brooke	by encouraging your peers and sharing your wonderful creative ideas with them with kindness and grace.	Care and Compassion
34MZ	Lewis	by putting in a great effort in writing an amazing persuasive writing piece and helping others with their writing.	Doing Your Best
34ND	3/4 ND	for working incredibly well in your teams to organise and create amazing forms of data! Well done ND!	Doing Your Best
34SJ	3/4 SJ	For working so hard on your data projects and pushing yourselves to do you absolute best	Doing Your Best
34MM	Jennifer	for consistently completing all tasks to the best of her ability and for being a kind and caring member of the class.	Doing your best
56EW	Tanav	For a great week back at school and doing his homework, even when not expected!	Doing your best
56AS	Whole Class	For being such a fantastic bunch of students all term	All Values
56KT	Sienna	For demonstrating a conscientious approach to her learning	Doing your best
56CM	Elijah	displaying amazing confidence when auditioning for Findon's Got Talent! You should be very proud of your efforts EJ!	Doing Your Best
56EB	Krystyna	For her kind, polite and friendly nature. Krystyna is always the first to help others. Well done!	Care and Compassion
PE	Kris 5/6CM	For always using his manners and showing respect to his fellow students and teachers	Responsibility
VA	Wayne FH	For taking responsibility for his own learning by choosing to stay on task and completing his work on time	Responsibility
PA	Evie 2NH	For always putting in so much effort in Performing Arts. It is a pleasure to teach you.	Doing Your Best
IND	Gabriel AS	Working really hard and producing a good quality description in Indonesian of your teacher	Doing your best
KK	Lewis MZ	Working like a champion in the garden and always exploring new and interesting ways to solve problems.	Doing your best

Fun-a-thon 2022

The Findon Primary School Fun-a-thon will be held on Friday 6th May 2022 during school hours (9am-3:30pm), with the aim of raising as much money as possible for the school. Students can simply ask for a donation, or they can raise money by doing a variety of things. Some examples are chores around the house, such as mopping the floor, vacuuming the house, cleaning their room, taking out the rubbish or doing the dishes every night for a week.

Fitness and health goals can include such things as how many skips can be done per minute, doing push-ups, going for a walk each day, holding a plank, cycling to school every day or eating your vegetables (even brussels sprouts!!) and anything else that you can think of! Students have been given a sponsorship form to keep a record of donations.

Students who raise \$20 or more will receive a special prize. Simply collect your sponsorship money and take it to the office to receive your prize. The two highest fundraisers will receive a \$50 gift voucher from Westfield!

At 3pm there will be an assembly where grade 5/6 students will perform a dance for the school! Students can wear what they want on the day - as long as it is fun. Use your imagination!! Activities on the day will focus on fitness and may include the following:

1. Just dance
2. Tornado Throw: Using Nerf Objects
3. AFL Kick for Goal
4. Skipping Challenge
5. Biggest strike: Use Tee-ball stands and let the kids have three hits and see how big they can hit it
6. Egg and Spoon Races
7. Parachute Ball activity (Preps, 1 and 2)
8. Teacher Ghost tag (Teachers are the taggers)
9. Mat Jump in the gym / Mini Tramp Jumps (Preps, 1 and 2)
10. Playground activity
11. Frog Jump (In the long jump pit)
12. Skipping rope (big skipping rope used)
13. Handball / Throwing challenge

Extra Sponsorship Forms can be collected at the office if needed

Information Powerpoint for the Fun-A-Thon

<https://youtu.be/JRNzCVPB8Xg>

VERY IMPORTANT

Any one in the dance group or wanting to do the dance please click on these three links to learn the dance moves, so first week back Ms.Poole can go through the routine as a group. These are the dances which include the minion dance and two others

1. Minion : <https://youtu.be/N0nH6klGr-w>
2. Ol Town Road : <https://youtu.be/aisN6MHAdJY>
3. Group dance : <https://youtu.be/MeYNPlf4CzE>

Can't wait for the day, thank you for all your support

FINDON'S 2022 FUN-A-THON

Put the
fun in
fundraising!

**DRESS:
ANYTHING
GOES
AS LONG
AS IT'S
FUN!**



FRIDAY 6TH MAY 2022



2023 Year 7 Information Evening



Tuesday 3rd May

2 sessions available starting at 5:15pm

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Booking Essential at
<https://www.trybooking.com/BYJUE>

Sausage Sizzle will be provided



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



Discover how you can *Create your future!*



MILL PARK SECONDARY COLLEGE
INVITES FAMILIES TO OUR ONLINE
INFORMATION EVENING FOR

2023 SEAL & Accelerated Programs

2 May 2022

Zoom (Online)
7:00 - 7:45pm

Please book to attend the online information session to find out more about Mill Park Secondary College's SEAL Program, Accelerated English Program and Accelerated Science Program.

A link to the Online Information session will be sent after you have registered to attend the event.

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



Discover how you can *Create your future!*





Know someone who is passionate about working with children?

We are looking for team members to join the Camp Australia team to provide before and after school care and vacation care!

Joining our team gives you the chance to:

- ✓ Start and grow your career in the education sector
- ✓ Guide the growth of children in your community
- ✓ Get discounted booking fees for your children and those of your family and friends!

At Camp Australia we have a culture that embraces diversity and inclusion and we welcome applications from all ages and genders, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the LGBTQIA+ community, veterans, refugees and people with disability.

Does this sound like an opportunity for you or for someone you know?

To see the positions we have available across the country visit:
www.campaustralia.com.au/careers

To find out more email:
talentacquisition@campaustralia.com.au



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

