We’re back with a brand new issue of our student newsletter! We hope all of you had great holidays. Because we had a lot going on last term after we published Issue 2, we will be telling you more about those highlights.

First on our list is the Skip a thon. On the 28th of June we had our whole school SKIP A THON where every class created their own skipping routine. It was a huge success and the whole school watched the finale when the Year 6’s performed. A big well done to everyone who participated.

Next is the House Basketball. Well done to all the houses but a special congratulations to Roycroft who won the the overall competition.

One of our biggest highlights was: Notable Australians! Year 6 students picked a ‘Notable Australian’ and did lots of research on that person. There were singers, actors, outlaws and more. Well done to all the Year 6’s on your hard work and dedication.

Another highlight last term was NAIDOC (National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee) Week. Throughout the week students learnt about Aboriginal Culture. Some people from an Aboriginal Dance Group came to show Findon some sacred Aboriginal dances and rituals and Findon students were invited to join in with some of the routines. It was a lot of fun.

Thanks for reading. We hope you enjoy this issue of the student newsletter!
What's going on inside JSC?

What’s going on inside JSC? Here we go inside JSC to see what’s happening to our school. There are a few committees who work on all different areas. The committees are Newsletter, Environmental, Fundraising and Playground. Together these committees make up the JSC. Let’s see what they're up to.

ENVIRONMENTAL
This Term the environmental team is aiming to make Findon Primary a rubbish free school. We have started off doing it only on Wednesday’s. We will be marking off whoever doesn’t and does bring rubbish. Whoever brings the least rubbish gets a prize. We are also doing cleanup rubbish every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. We are looking for a pick up rubbish song, if anyone could find it you will get 30 house points just bring it to John Assaad (6LD), Joshua Haidar (6SW) or Samuel Hutton (4/5MB).

FUNDRAISING
In the fundraising committee we are planning the school disco for World Vision. We have discussed the date which is the 26th of August and what entertainment we are going to have. We are organising the music and other things. We also are planning Read for Australia day, more information about that later on in the term. There is also Literacy and Numeracy Week coming up and we are discussing that as well.

PLAYGROUND
The playground committee is still working on re-decorating the friendship tree. We are also trying to make signs for each of the playgrounds. We continue to seek feedback from students about what needs fixing and what they enjoy doing in the playground. We are planning on starting a mixed netball tournament this term and hope that many students will want to be involved. We are also monitoring the soccer pitch roster and have included feedback from students on this issue in the newspaper.
Do you enjoy teaching your own class?
A: Of course I do. Teaching is my passion. Always knew I was going to be a teacher. Enjoy working with kids

What is your favourite colour?
A: Green.

What primary school you did you go to?
A: I went to two primary schools. The longest time I spent at one though was Port Royal in Canada.

What is your favourite food?
A: Fish and chips.

What is your favourite hobby?
A: Watching movies and dancing (hip hop/freestyle).

What is your favourite sport?
A: Tennis and Volleyball

What is your favourite movie?
A: I really like weird movies. I really liked Babel and I liked the movie UP (3D)

Who is your favourite actor/actress?
A: Johnny Depp and Charleze Theron.

Who is your favourite musician?
A: I really like The Script.

What High school did you go to?
A: Albert Cambell. I’ve been at Findon a year and a half.

Who is your favourite artist (artwise)?

Is it difficult being a teacher?
A: It’s not difficult but it can be challenging. However the children can be very inspirational.

What is your favourite book?
A: Life of a Motorcycle.

Do you like the house system?
A: Yes. I was in Freeman but now I’m in Cuthbert because I took over from Vicky.

How long have you been a teacher?
A: I started in March this year. As a graduate teacher I’ve been a teacher for 5 months. I started off as a CRT.

What is your favourite subject?
A: (to learn) Humanities, (to teach) Literacy. I love reading stories.

What book are you reading at the moment?
A: The Collector.

Do you think the netbooks will make things easier or harder?
A: Easier in the long run.

How old are you?
A: Between 20-30
One of our students (Leah Wright) is going to Darwin so we are having an out of uniform day to help raise some money for the trip. Leah will be competing in the individual Discus and hopefully the shot put relay if she is selected at the final trials this month. She has been competing in Athletics since she was a prep student at Findon Primary. She trains twice a week over summer.

Interview with Lucy

What events are you looking forward to this term?
Findon House Athletics, Hoop Time Basketball and District Athletics.

How do you think our basketball teams will go?
Very well, we have very strong teams this year.

What’s the hardest thing about organising Athletics?
All the events that go behind it, organising roles and responsibilities.

Who do you think will shine on the day?
Well Leah Wright is a champion at discus and shotput, but everyone having a go will shine.

What equipment did we get from the Coles Voucher program last year?
Lots! It was fantastic; we got some walkie talkies, a megaphone, relay batons and some PMP equipment.

When are we getting pads for the goal posts?
They have just been delivered so early next week.

Do you like the roster for the soccer pitch?
I think it works well, it would be nice to get a mix of ages to play together.

How do you feel about people taking sports equipment without asking?
It’s very upsetting and disrespectful.

THE AFL – OUR LADDER PREDICTIONS

These are our end of season predictions for where the 17 AFL clubs will end up on the ladder:

North Melbourne end of season 10th
Carlton end of season 4th
Western Bulldogs end of season 11th
West Coast end of season 5th
Geelong end of season 2nd
Melbourne end of season 12th
Gold Coast end of season 16th
St Kilda end of season 6th
Fremantle end of season 8th
Hawthorn end of season 3rd
Collingwood end of season 1st premiers
Essendon end of season 9th
Adelaide end of season 14th
Port Adelaide end of season 17th
(wooden spooners)
Richmond end of season 13th
Brisbane Lions end of season 15th
Sydney Swans end of season 7th

Two coaches have already faced the axe—Neil Craig of Adelaide and Dean Bailey of Melbourne. We wonder who will be next?

By Mehtab Sandhu, Adrian Scaffidi and Caleb Kennedy.
Last term’s House Basketball tournament was a huge success and lots of students enjoyed it. Even though some of them lost, they had a good time. There were many games that were neck and neck and sometimes wins were by only by 1 point. In every game team mates were helping each other and giving advice which was great to see. There were lots of different tactics and strategies to keep the game more interesting.

Total Scores of all teams:

Roycroft—57
Freeman—55
Cuthbert—46
Strickland—49

Lots of kids have enjoyed this event and this is what students from Findon have thought about it:
“House basket ball was fantastic and a great idea” says Leah
“It was fun and exciting to see the scores.” says Izaak.
“It was good because everybody had a go.” Ashur thought.

In the end Roycroft was the winning team overall. The most enthusiastic and skilled players from 5/6s went on to play in the ‘Hoop Time’ competition. We hope all of you have had a great time playing house basketball and learnt some new skills!

By Jamila Mehmud

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Quiz:
Q1: What are Harry’s parents names?
A:
Q2: Who are Harry’s best friends?
A:
Q3: What school does Harry go to?
A:
Q4: What House is Harry in? Gryfindor, Slytherin, Hufflepuff or Ravenclaw?
A:
Q5: What is the Head Master’s name?
A:

Words:
Harry   Hermione   Ron
Castle   Magic   Firebolt
Hogwarts   Spells   Wand

MAZE:
Can you help Harry get to the trophy and win the Tri-Wizard Tournament?

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 2 is out in the cinema’s NOW!
**Competition Page!**

**Funniest Jokes**

Tell us your Jokes by writing your jokes down on a piece of paper with your name, class and house. There will be a box at the office with competitions on it. Entries close - August 26th:

Prize is 10 house points.

**What number am I??**

I have 3 digits, all my digits add up to 4. I am an odd number and my first digit is 1. Please put your entry in an envelope marked with your name, grade and house. The box says competitions and is in the office. Entries close—August 26th:

Prize is 15 house points.

**Draw or Colouring in**

Can you draw/sketch or colour in the Cheshire cat??

Give your colouring in or sketch to a JSC in the newsletter committee or me, Sophia Sapardanis, and the JSC’s will judge it. We will pick a winner from each Learning Team. Whoever wins will get 50 house points. Entries close - August 26th:
Hi everyone and welcome to the student newsletter’s brand new:

**WHAT’S HOT AND WHAT’S NOT!**

Here you can get the jump on all the latest fashion trends! What’s in this season and what should never be seen!!

We’re going to start off with winter colour dos and don’ts. Winter always has its blues. Everything is blue in winter. Other colours would be black, silver, some purples, always white and brown. Sometimes you can mix and match other colours.

The Latest style of jackets that’s in season right now is Leather Jackets and Jock Jackets.

Now let’s move onto shoes. Boots are so in fashion, they’re the best shoes for this cold season. While on the other hand Converse are in fashion this winter but they are good for every season!

Gloves that you should wear in winter are Fingerless Gloves say if you’re wearing a jumper with no pockets you can wear these gloves and they’ll keep you warm.

We hope you now have a bit more fashion sense and enjoyed reading! Stay warm and stay stylish!

**By:** Vanessa Lai & Shelby Thorn

**Jaden Smith!**

**FUN FACTs**

By Jamila Mehmud

Name: Jaden Christopher Syre Smith
D.O.B: 8th of July 1998

**About Jaden:**

Jaden is 13 years old and has already starred in 3 movies (including the Pursuit of Happyness) and presented 7 awards. Son of rapping sensation Will Smith, Jaden is looking forward to following in his dad’s footsteps by becoming a great rapper/actor.

**Strengths:**

Comedy and being a family man. Jaden cares about his family and will do anything for them. He also loves being a kid, playing basketball, soccer and dancing.

**Weaknesses:**

Getting tickled by his dad.
Dear Diary,
You may never receive a diary entry ever again. I am hugging my family right now. We are standing in the middle of a town, waiting for something good to happen. I am frightened, I think everyone is. Mother Nature had to kick in didn’t it? Right now I am running, running away from a huge crack that is forming. Oh my! NO! Tears are trickling down my cheek. My mum just fell through the crack... this can’t be happening! Help me diary! Help me!
Please!!!!!!-
By Alyssa Newstead

Mr Poppers Penguins is a funny, cute and creative film about a man named Tom Popper (Mr Popper). Mr Popper’s life is normal until he gets an unusual package from his dead father. Inside there is a penguin! He tries to send it back but instead he gets five more penguins. Now that he has six penguins living in his home he has to face challenges to keep them a secret and to solve his problems with his family. I rate this movie three and a half out of five. It was an excellent movie!!
By Sophia Sapardanis

The Social Network
This movie tells the tale of how Mark Zuckerberg started the most famous Social Networking site in the world, ‘Facebook’. Mark was a Harvard student, who had a brilliant mind and was able to hack into any university database in the area. In 2003, he was approached by the Winkelvoss twins, 2 Harvard students aiming to row for the United States, about creating a website that would be exclusive to Harvard. Mark agreed to work on their project but then began developing something bigger and more extensive than any online shared space in history. The story reveals that Mark had all the technical skills, but needed money to finance his ideas. He asks his best friend, Eduardo Saverin, to invest in the project. The movie is told through the tale of two lawsuits filed against Mark. One by the Winkelvoss twins, who decide to sue Mark for stealing their idea, and one by Eduardo, who gets unfairly left out in the cold when the Facebook enterprise moves to Los Angeles and grows to over one million users. This is a fascinating insight into the mind of a genius and the creation of something that has changed how the world communicates. There are now over 500 million users of Facebook across the globe!
Please note this movie contains adult themes and must be viewed with parental permission.
-Mr Fromm
Skulduggery Pleasant

Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landy

Skulduggery Pleasant is a book about a secret war between two forces of good and evil. As Stephanie and Skulduggery form a small army of Adepts (a type of magician) while the enemy creates an army of their own, they strengthen sorcerers (a type of magician) for an epic battle between the two forces.

This book has very interesting scenes of loss, action and adventure. Whether it’s a loved one gone, the enemy being destroyed. No matter what is it there’s always another surprise on the next page. The reviews from other people are what convinced me to buy this book and what made me go and buy it straight away. There were reviews from people from newspapers, people that are authors themselves and one review was even made by an Irish independent.

I had my nose in this book the whole time I had it and whenever I got the chance to read, that book was always in my hands because it’s so good! If you like Harry Potter you will love this book. Ages9+ grade 4-6.

By Luka Pilli 2\3HP

Alvin and the Chipmunks, is a movie about a man named Dave Seville and three chipmunks. Dave's a frustrated man because he can't write a perfect song that his boss likes. One day when Dave gets home, he finds three chipmunks. Not even imagining how much of a problem they can be, Dave lets them stay. When Dave discovers their talent he thinks that they can help him with his music writing career. So they make their own band called 'Alvin and the Chipmunks'. Ian (Dave's boss) tries to take over the chipmunks so that he can become famous. However, he fails in his bid. This movie is one of the best I've ever seen. I would rate it a 4 out of 5. Alvin and the Chipmunks is a must see!

By Priya Rajiv

Review on Korea's Got Talent

By Clare Freeman

On ‘Korea’s Got Talent’ there was a 22 year old man who performed at the audition. He is an orphan and he tells us how he was sent to an orphanage at the age of 3. He ran away after 2 years because he was beaten up and mis-treated. For 10 years he lived on the streets, surviving on the money he got from selling gum and energy drinks on the streets. To get into high school he took GED tests. His name is Choi Sung-bon. He had convinced himself he wasn’t a good singer. At the audition the judges asked why he left the “family” section of his application blank and he responds and gives them his answer. When he opens his mouth “WOW” that guy can sing. His inspiration comes from his childhood and all the bad things that happened. I won’t tell you if he gets through or not but the audience loved his performance and I encourage everyone at any age to go onto you-tube and watch this mind blowing performance. As I watched it my heart lit up that he had the courage to stand up there and do what he did. I give it 5 stars, his performance is the Best!!!
Notable Australians was a project filled with fun, history and lots of learning! Last term the Year 6’s picked a Notable Australian to research. They had to find information on that Australian, make fliers, posters, biographies, get props, buy or choose a costume to look more like that Australian and more! I must say the night was a huge success!!! On Wednesday the 29th of June the year 6’s stayed after school to present their knowledge of their Notable Australian. There were Singers, Doctors, Outlaws, Actresses, Actors and more! Well done all year 6’s on your hard work!

By Natalie Williams

Soccer Pitch Feedback

6’s Feedback

Ali from 6LD says- Its fun playing soccer on it but I want the soccer pitch roster changed so 4/5’s can play with the 6’s Zayn from 6LD says -I like it but I want the soccer nets fixed.

William from 6LD says- I like playing on the soccer pitch. It’s fun because everyone includes everyone.

4/5’s Feedback

Sammet DF- I like the ground, it is fun to play on. I don’t think the roster is fair because the 2/3’s have their own soccer field near the green slide and we are not allowed to play there.

Ethan MB- I like the soccer pitch and the ground. I think the roster is fair.

Caleb LG- I like the soccer pitch and I think the roster is sort of fair. People keep pulling on the net.

CM said

That the boys aren’t letting girls play on the soccer field

The nets aren’t strong enough and someone needs to nail the nets back in.

It is popular and people can safely play on it when wet and muddy.

It is a very good place where you can play and socialise.

2/3’s Feedback

Nathan KS- I like the soccer pitch but sometimes when it is the 2/3’s turn older kids play on it.

Ben NP- I think the soccer pitch is really good. I believe the roster is fair and everyone gets a turn.

Bailey LS- I like the soccer pitch and believe it is fair.

Luka HP- I like the soccer pitch and I think the roster is okay but some of the older kids say some 2/3’s let them play on the 2/3’s turn but they don’t.

By Clare Freeman and Sophia Sapardanis
**Disco! Party time!!!**

Lets Party, Findon is having a disco!
The disco is going to be on the 26th of August. The Prep to 3 disco will start at 5.30pm and go till 6.30pm and the Year 4-6 disco will start at 7.00pm and finish at 8.30pm. When you have returned your permission form you will be given a ticket which you must bring on the night to get in. There will be more information on that later.

We are having this disco to raise money for World Vision. They are an organisation that goes to other countries and donates money or equipment to help the people that are in need.

By Clare Freeman

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**Le Tour de France**

Every year in July a famous cycling race is held called Le Tour de France (The Tour of France). It is held in France but sometimes they ride in other countries. In the race they have jerseys which are like trophies. One jersey is for the individual times, how fast you can go from one point to the next without any help. That jersey is yellow. The second jersey looks at your overall performance like how you ride in the mountains and if you have come first to the finish line. That jersey is green. This year Cadel Evans won the yellow jersey. He is the first Australian to win 'Le Tour de France'. After he won, people celebrated by wearing yellow, and in lots of other ways. He is 34 years old, so a lot older than the rest of the riders. Next year Australia is going to have its own team, where we will have more Australian riders competing.

By Sophia Sapardanis
Thanks for reading our third student newsletter. We hope you enjoyed it. We will have more surprises in our next issue which will be better than ever!!!

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THANKS AGAIN!!!