Issue 5! Can you believe it? This is our final Student Newsletter! For the last time here are the highlights from Term 4.

On the 7th of December we are hosting this term's fundraiser for Autism. We chose to raise money for Autism because many in our school suffer from it and it is close to our hearts. On the 7th of December we will be running a Walk for Autism. We hope you enjoy it and help us raise money for a good cause.

This year we have brand new preps. It was their first year ever at school. They have learnt new things and are enjoying school. More about the preps on page 8.

Also 2011 is the last year for the Year 6s at Findon. Next year they are heading off to High School. They have been here 7 years and on the 19th of December they will be graduating. Well done to all the Year 6 students. Good Luck for the future. More on page 8 and 9.

This term the 4/5/6s had the chance to sign up for House Soccer. So far we've had good feedback and everyone is enjoying it. It has been a big success and every house involved has played with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. It looks like Cuthbert might be the favourites.

On the 18th of November all the Year Fives went to the Senior Campus at Mill Park Secondary College. They had two classes. First they had Chemistry where they made goop. Then they had a Biology class where they saw lots of deceased animals and learnt about microscopes! Everyone enjoyed the experience.

MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR!

Dear Readers,

Hello! Welcome back to the Student Newsletter! It’s finally arrived! Our 5th and final issue of the Student Newsletter! Inside this issue we have the usual: Competition Page, Games Page, Sports page and 20 Questions but now we have a new edition of What’s Hot and What’s Not! Also in this issue we have Feedback about the Year 6s seven years at school and the preps first year at school. We hope you enjoy our final issue of the Student Newsletter.

Sincerely,

Natalie Williams
We are now in Term 4 and the weeks are flying by. The JSC are still working hard. I wonder what they’re up to this term….. Let’s find out!

Fundraising
This term the Fundraising Committee are running a “Walk for Autism.” It will be a $3 fee. You can wear sports colours or multi-coloured clothing, just not casual. We hope you help raise money for a good cause.

Environmental
This term the environmental team worked more on the rubbish clean-up and changed the song to ‘Zip-ee-dee-doo-da’. We also started cleaning the Findon Forest and we went a long way doing that and we will work further on it. We continued to work on the gardens and we set the preps up with bucket to help keep Findon beautiful. Keep up the good work and remember to participate in everything you can.

Playground
This term the playground committee has re-decorate the Friendship tree. We have put up signs on the tree to represent the values. We will be placing signs at each playground that say who can play where.
## Mrs. Myszka

1Q. **What is your favourite part of art?**  
1A. Threads and textiles

2Q. **Who is your favourite artist?**  
2A. Salvador Dali

3Q. **What is your favourite piece of artwork?**  
3A. Narcissus by Salvid Olday

4Q. **Did you always have a passion for art?**  
4A. Yes absolutely

5Q. **Why did you want to become an art teacher?**  
5A. Because I love teaching kids all about art

6Q. **What is your favourite subject besides art?**  
6A. Sport

7Q. **Have you got any art creations by you in your house that you love?**  
7A. Yes I have. One is a painting and the other is a cross stitch.

8Q. **What is your favourite movie?**  
8A. Life of Brian

9Q. **Who is your favourite actor/actress?**  
9A. Robert Redford and Johnny Depp

10Q. **What is your favourite song?**  
10A. Comfortably numb

## Mrs. T

1Q. **What is your favourite part of art?**  
1A. Watching the little kids be creative.

2Q. **Who is your favourite artist?**  
2A. Picasso

3Q. **What is your favourite piece of art?**  
3A. The vase with sunflowers by Van Gogh and Mona Lisa painting

4Q. **Did you always have a passion for art?**  
4A. Yes I did secretly but I never thought I was good at it

5Q. **Why did you want to become an art teacher?**  
5A. I love being creative and I wanted to try something new and challenge myself

6Q. **What is your favourite subject besides art?**  
6A. Literature

7Q. **Have you got any art creations by you in your house that you love?**  
7A. Not by me but by my kids and I love them

8Q. **What is your favourite movie?**  
8A. Top gun and Happy Feet

9Q. **Who is your favourite actor/actress?**  
9A. George Clooney

10Q. **What is your favourite song?**  
10A. Too many to mention but I am into Pit Bull’s songs at the moment
Athletics
The athletics was a very big success and everyone who competed in it all had fun and tried their best. On the 18th of October Leah Wright, Alyssa Newstead and Lachlan Potter all competed in the regional athletics Competition. Leah competed in shot put and discus. Alyssa competed in triple jump and Lachlan competed in the 100m sprint. Well done guys on your efforts. Great job!

Soccer
Over the past few weeks on Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes we have been running house soccer. There were two teams for each house. Team 1 and team 2. This week is the last week for house soccer. Here's the ladder:

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Late breaking news: Cuthbert wins the Grand Final.
In a dramatic Grand Final, Cuthbert have held off a fast finishing Strickland to take out the House Soccer Tournament. Great performances from Ashur, John and Gianni were too good for a valiant Strickland led admirably by their House Captain Ali Mohammad. Marcus Sindrivianis was another notable performer. Strickland was hurt by the absence of their star player Samet Balci. Freeman easily claimed 3rd place with a convincing win over Roycroft. Well done to all the players who participated and special mention goes to John Assad for organising the tournament.

District basketball
On the 11th of November, the 3/4 Hoop Time basketball took place. The teams versed against other schools in the area. The B Boys team won most of their games and then won their Grand Final in overtime. The A Boys team fell just short of the Grand Final. The A Girls team played with only 6 players (5 when Ebony was missing) and came very close to a place in the Grand Final. They actually beat the eventual winners with great efforts from Ashley Sparks and Kellie Nates. They were also missing the Harvey girls who were in Tasmania and Jessica Lord who had leg soreness. The B girls enjoyed the experience of playing competitive basketball. Well done to all the coaches and players on representing Findon with pride!
**P-3 Craziest Drawing**

Draw something out of this world or totally wacky. Make up something and draw it. The winner from P/1 will win 20 house points and the winner from 2/3 will win 30 house points. This is a fun activity that is opened for all students between P-3. Please write your name, grade and age under or behind your drawing. Put your drawing in the competitions box at the office. I hope you enjoy this competition.

**Entries Close: 12th of December**

**4-6 Dioramas**

The 4-6 competition is to create a diorama of your favourite movie or book. The overall winner will receive 50 house points. We are also looking for Design (30 points), Creativity (20 points) and Colour (10 points). This is a fun activity that will keep you busy when you are looking for something to do. Please write your name and grade somewhere on your diorama and hand it in to Natalie, Sophia, Ethan, Billal or Jamila.

**Entries Close: 12th of December**

**Winners**

Prep winner from drawing competition-
Tom McDevitt NA Freeman

Year 3 winner from drawing competition-
Thomas Sapardanis, Arron Trogani,
Dion Bortolani 2/3 NP Roycroft and Strickland

First 3 Winners from crossword-
Isabella Pullar 4/5 CM Roycroft

Clare Freeman 4/5 CM Strickland

Emily Stojanov 4/5 CM Strickland

Next 3 winners from crossword-
Sophia K from 4/5 DF Strickland

Simran Singh 4/5 DF Strickland

Benjamin Stojanov P/1 NA Strickland

**Points**

- **Roycroft** - 20
- **Cuthbert** -
- **Stickland** - 175
- **Freeman** - 20

This is the colour in picture. Colour it in and put your name and grade on it. Put it in the competitions box in the office and we will choose the winners. The winner from P/1 will get 30 house points, the winner from 2/3 will get 30 house points and the winner from 4/5/6 will get 40 house points. Put your entries in the competition box at the office.

**Entries Close: 12th of December**

By Sophia Sapardarnis
Thank you to everyone who has enjoyed my games page.
I hope you have liked it.
This is the last games page for the year

THANK YOU AND GOODBYE
Billal Najmeddine

Help Bart find his family before it is too late!!!

Jokes

If a turtle doesn’t have a shell... is it naked or homeless?

Once upon a time there were two muffins in the microwave. Suddenly, one of the muffins says: "Man it’s hot in here!!!!" The other muffin exclaims, "Look a talking muffin!!!!"

Can you work out these Countries?

Unscramble each of the clue words. Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number.

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THANK YOU AND GOODBYE
Billal Najmeddine

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Hi everyone and welcome to our 3rd edition of:  
**What’s Hot And What’s Not!**

Hi everybody, this is our third edition of *What’s Hot And What’s Not*. This edition is all about the dresses, skirts, shorts, singlets and t-shirts. Don’t worry this time boys, this time I’m going to involve you. Colours...let’s see, colours are the things that bring your whole outfit together! So pick the colours you wear wisely. First, **Red**, **Orange**, **Yellow**, **Green**, **Blue**, **Purple**, **Pink**, & **Black** (if you were to wear black don’t wear too much of it because you will be sweating if you wore black while running.)

**Dresses**

Some dresses have straps, short sleeves, sleeveless or long sleeves. There are all different styles you can wear.

*Tip: Pick what suits you best!*

**Shorts**

Boys and girls can wear shorts. They work with t-shirts and singlets. There are different trends of shorts e.g. denim shorts, black denim shorts and even white denim shorts.

**T-shirts**

T-shirts have different pictures and patterns on it. They come in different colours so it suits the design that’s on the t-shirt.

**Skirts**

Skirts are the right time for this weather. You can get many types of skirts. Some skirts have nice calm designs, weird designs, funky designs and much more.

Well it’s time to say goodbye for now. Hope you know what to get next time you go shopping. And don’t forget to read the tips that are in the colour of **Hot Pink!**

*By: Vanessa Lai*  
(If you want some more tips come and see me in the BER building Miss D’s room.)
Year 6s:
Question 1: What are you looking forward to at High School?
Question 2: What are you going to miss most at Findon?
Question 3: What's the best thing that’s happened to you at Findon?
Question 4: What is the best thing about Year 6?

1: No because I will miss my friends, 2: Everyone here, 3: My fitness got a lot better at Findon, 4: Graduation Rehearsals: -Tristan LD
1: For me it’s 50/50 because it will be an exciting experience but I will miss my friends. 2: I’m going to miss all the teachers and the specialists. 3: Being chosen to participate in the Findon Rock Band. 4: Learning the song and dances for Graduation. Alyssa Nog LD
1: Yes and no because I’ll miss my friends and yes because I’ll learn new things at high school. 2: The new building because it’s so big and the teachers. 3: Going to Canberra. 4: Notable Australians. Zayn LD
1: Meeting new people. 2: Miss D. 3: Meeting my friends. 4: Going to Canberra. Emma LD
1: Yes because I get to meet new people. 2: Everything. 3: Going to Phillip Island. 4: Going to Canberra. Kody YC
1: Meeting new people and learning in a different way. 2: My friends, the teachers and how we learn. 3: I learnt from my mistakes. 4: Meeting new people and learning new friends. Jamila YC
1: I am looking forward to the High School camps. 2: Everything. 3: Being class leader. 4: Going to Canberra. Jake YC
1: I am looking forward to growing up and meeting new people but I’ll miss my friends. 2: I will miss all my best friends. 3: Everything. 4: You graduate, get to learn new things and go to Canberra. Maria YC
1: Meeting new people. 2: My friends and the teachers. 3: Being class leader and meeting my friends. 4: Being role models. Brittany SW
1: Meeting new people and learning new things. 2: I will miss my friends. 3: Being class leader and a learning leader. 4: A lot of homework and graduation rehearsals. Gegani SW
1: Making new friends and camps 2: I will miss all my old friends 3: I came 1st in cross country 4: Using netbooks Jaidyn SW
1: Making new friends. 2: Kitchen & Garden Program 3: Becoming House Captain and JSC 4: Being at the top of the school Oscar SW

Preps:
Question 1: What have you enjoyed this year?
Question 2: Are you looking forward to Grade 1?

1: Making new friends 2: Yes Ben NA
1: I learnt how to write 2: Yes Jess NA
1: Picking up rubbish 2: Yes I’m looking forward to Grade 1 Matthew KH
1: Doing art and writing 2: Yes I’m excited about it. I hope I’m with my friends. Maria KH
1: Writing and I made new friends 2: Yes Riley JF
1: Making new friends 2: Yes Lucy FH
1: The work 2: Yes Jack FH
1: Writing and making new friends 2: Yes Miaia MO
FAREWELL YEAR 6s! At the end of this term, the Year 6s will be leaving for High School. To celebrate their 7 years of school at Findon they are having a Farewell evening on the 19th of December. They will be performing 6 songs in total. Dancing to 3 plus a finale and singing 2 songs. The dancing theme is Michael Jackson. LD are dancing to Black or White, YC is dancing to Beat It and SW is dancing to Bad and Don’t Stop Till You Get Enough. The finale song is Thriller. The 2 songs they will be singing are Perfect by Pink and a graduation song written by Shelby Thorn from LD. We will miss you Year 6s. We wish you good luck for your learning journey at Secondary School!
The Girl Who Could Fly by Victoria Forester is an amazing and exciting book. The story takes place in an ordinary little town called Lowland Country. But Piper McCloud is no ordinary girl. She can fly! In this book Piper gets taken away to a special school where she meets many people with special abilities like hers. Such as: being super smart, super strength, x-ray vision, electricity, size changing and more. But things aren’t right at Piper’s new school. Mysterious things are taking place and most still haven’t realized the danger. Is the hero actually the evil villain? And will the special kids escape without being caught? All will be revealed. It is a mysterious, amazing and surprising book and I hope you enjoy this book as much as I did.

By Anonymous

Dancing...
Dancing is a wonderful sport. It is an art form where you move your body to music or to no song at all. For a lot of people it helps them express themselves, to show who they really are. Some dances are performed to tell a story or have a social interaction with others. Most countries have their own style of dance such as Ireland. They dance an Irish dance which someone choreographed years ago and they still use it now. Dance can be timed, choreographed, self-taught or free! There are many types of Dance. I do mean a lot! The most common types of dance are: Ballroom Dancing (Foxtrot, Cha Cha, Tango), Jazz, Aerobics, Tap Dance, Ballet (Neo, Modern, Contemporary), Hip Hop (Popping, Breaking), Breakdancing and Commercial. None of you probably know what Commercial dancing is. Commercial dancing is a dance with a lot of attitude. It is normally fast and it can be related to jazz. I would like everyone to try dancing at some stage. Even if it just starts with a little dance with your friends at a party or you and your friends choreograph a dance together it doesn’t matter. A reminder though, dancing requires technique and flexibility. If you haven’t stretched before you dance you might hurt yourself. So don’t go doing flips or the splits before you stretch. Not to scare you but I guarantee you will feel the pain the next day! Have fun dancing!!! :)

By Anonymous
“La, la, la, la, la...SUCH A GOOD MOVIE!!!” If you get bored this weekend go see The Smurfs. It’s fun, it’s blue, it’s the movie for you! It’s nice enjoyable family fun. In this movie the Smurfs are entering the city and they’re making a mess of it. This is a once in a blue moon chance to see the Smurfs on a big screen. Lots of giggles and laughs; sadness and happiness. So go and see the smurffa-great movie.
By Shelby Thorn

My Story - A Different Sort of Real
The Diary of Charlotte McKenzie - Melbourne, 1918

This story is about a girl named Charlotte who is about 15 years old. She is having trouble since her Dad came back from WW1. He doesn’t do anything and he is always cranky. Charlotte is finding it hard to tolerate him but that isn’t Charlotte’s only problem. There is a plague going around and her sisters, mum and Uncle have caught the plague. Charlotte has to juggle having the plague in the house and her dad but will her dad turn back to his old self and start being the dad Charlotte had missed? Will her sisters, Uncle and Mum be okay? This is a great book and I would recommend it to anyone in Year 5 or 6. Not only is this book excellent but the whole series, My Story, is an excellent read. They are diaries of kids during different times in history living in Australia. If you would like to read one of the My Story books you can borrow them from the Library.

By Sophia Sapardanis
We hope you enjoyed reading the 5th and final issue of the Student Newsletter!

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas!

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