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DATES TO REMEMBER

TUESDAY, 28th MAY 2019

MAY

- 31 F - 4 Australian Girls Choir
- 31 Interschool Sports

JUNE

- 4 Senior Choir Recording
- 7 Interschool Sports
- 10 Queens Birthday
- 12 Sausage Sizzle
- 26 Student Led Conferences
- 28 Last Day Term 2

JULY

- 15 **First Day Term 3**
- 24 LT4 Excursion M.P.S.C Performance

AUGUST

- 2 5/6 Hooptime
- 23 Curriculum Day

SEPTEMBER

- 10 District Athletics
- 18 Phillip Island Campers
- 19 Phillip Island Camp
- 20 Phillip Island Campers Return
- 20 Last Day Term 3

OCTOBER

- 7 First Day Term 4
- 16 Regional Athletics Carnival
- 23 Arts Festival

NOVEMBER

- 4 Curriculum Day
- 5 Melbourne Cup Day

Hello Everyone,

YEAR 1 DINNER & YEAR 2 SLEEPOVER

A fantastic night was had by all who attended our BBQ dinner and sleepover. Students were well behaved and had such a great time. I even heard that ALL students were sound asleep by 11.30 and no one was heard getting up in the middle of the night!!!!???

Huge thanks to everyone who helped make the dinner and sleepover for the year 1/ 2 students such a memorable night! Special thanks to **Florence** who led the organisation; **Tenielle, Chloe, Natasha L, Silvana and Tegan** who slept over and the many others who helped in meal preparation, games and supervision, cooking a great barbecue and making the best camp fire! What a great start to our Camping Program here at Findon.



EDUCATION WEEK 2019....Celebrating Careers

Last week we celebrated the importance of learning and our school's commitment to serving students' needs as the basis of everything we do at Findon Primary School. To truly make learning success a priority, an active commitment and ongoing effort and encouragement from the entire school community is needed. Improvement in student learning cannot simply be the teachers' vision – it must be agreed on and reinforced by everyone in the school community.

CHILD SAFETY STANDARDS

Victorian schools are required under the Child Safety and Wellbeing Act to ensure that they implement compulsory child safe standards to protect children from harm. Findon Primary School is committed to child safety. Regular articles will appear in the newsletter and on our website to promote our commitment to the Child Safety Standards.

The Child Safe Standards set out to create safe places for children to fully and actively participate in the life of the community benefiting everyone. Findon Primary School will ensure that the children in its care are protected to the best of its ability and in line with their duty of care and the compulsory child safe standards.

As a community we want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. There is zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We meet our legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Findon is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early, and removing and reducing these risks. We have robust human resources and recruitment practices for all staff and volunteers. Our school is committed to regularly training and educating our staff and volunteers on child abuse risks. As a community we support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children, the cultural safety of children from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability. Findon has specific policies, procedures and training in places that support our leadership team, staff and volunteers to achieve these commitments.

At Findon School Primary:

- Everyone connected to our school can help children be safe.
- We have zero tolerance for any abuse of children.
- We already have policies and processes in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children. These are being strengthened to ensure a zero tolerance approach to child abuse. As policies are ratified at school council, they will be made available to you through the newsletter and on our web page.
- Attached is our commitment to Child Safe Policy
- There will be clear boundaries about how adults in our school community may interact with the children here set out in our school's **Child Safe Code of Conduct Policy** attached in the newsletter.

REPRIMANDING CHILDREN

Occasionally parents may witness incidents in the yard or hear something that may have happened in a classroom, which is of concern to them. We ask parents to report these to the classroom teacher or teachers on yard duty rather than addressing the issues themselves. The school has a strong and effective behaviour management plan in operation and all issues raised will be followed up. To assist the school with the implementation of this plan, parents are asked to please not reprimand other children in the school yard or discuss children, who are not their own, with other parents. I also alert parents who approach other parents about their child's behaviour to please refrain from doing so. These types of conversations usually cause discomfort and anxiety for all concerned. Your assistance with these matters is appreciated.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES Wednesday 26th June 2019

Our 3 Way Student Led Interviews (involving students, parents and teachers) will be held on Wednesday 26th June. Please mark this date in your family diary. The Student Led Conferences are a compulsory element of Findon's Assessment & Reporting program. Students, parents and teachers meet together at an allocated appointment time to discuss and celebrate the first semester's efforts and achievements, and identify future learning goals for their child. Please remember that during Student Led Conferences, students come to school with their parents, only for their meeting.

FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS FOR 2020

We are taking enrolments for our 2020 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 Term 3. School tours are conducted by appointment.

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

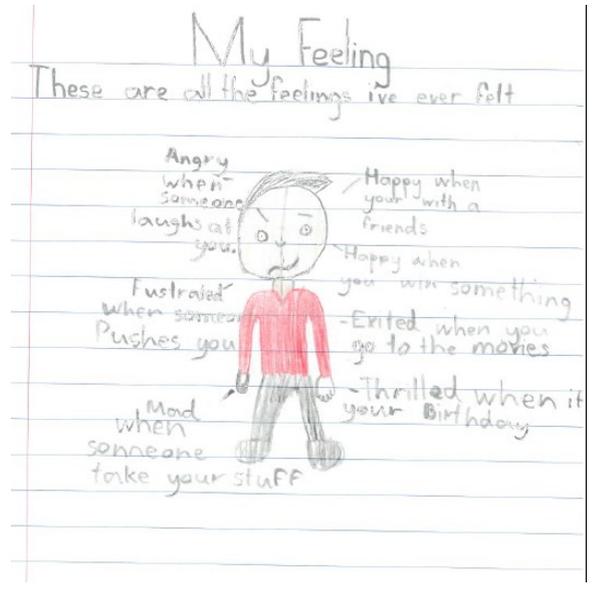
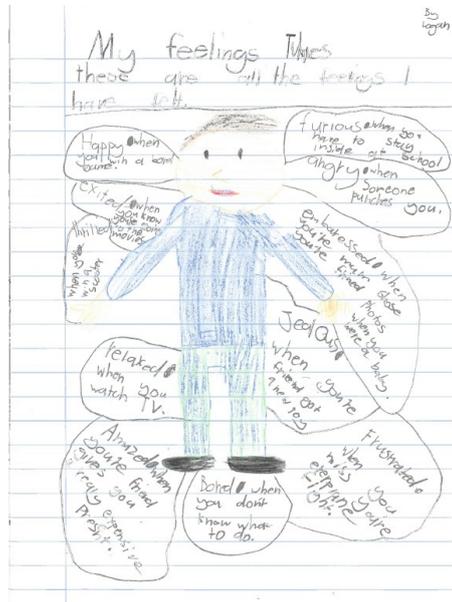
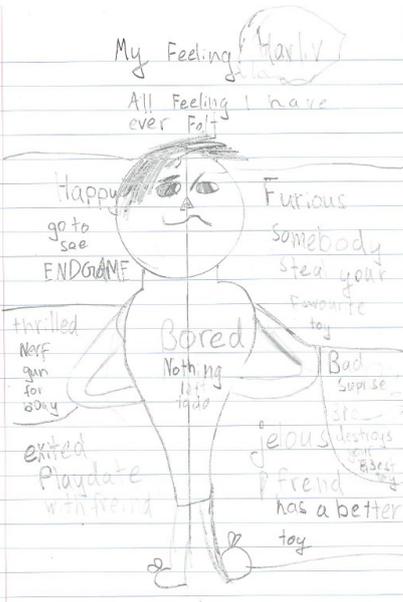
'A quality education is one of the greatest gifts we can give future generations'

Paula Cosgrave

Principal

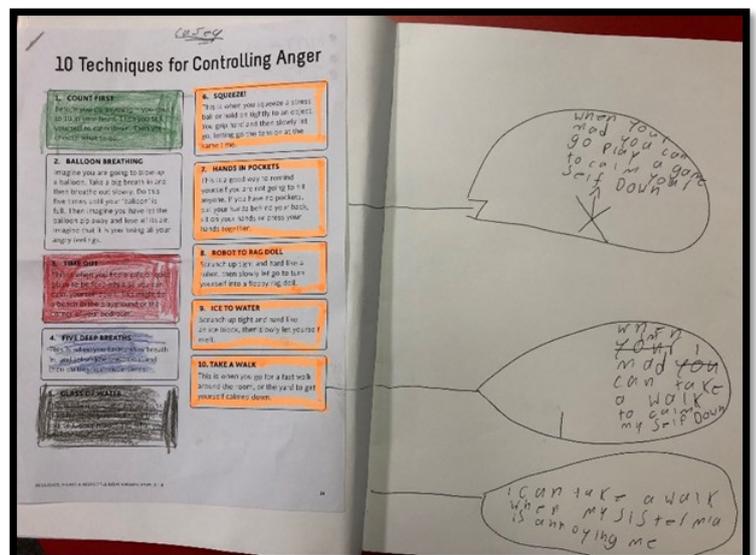
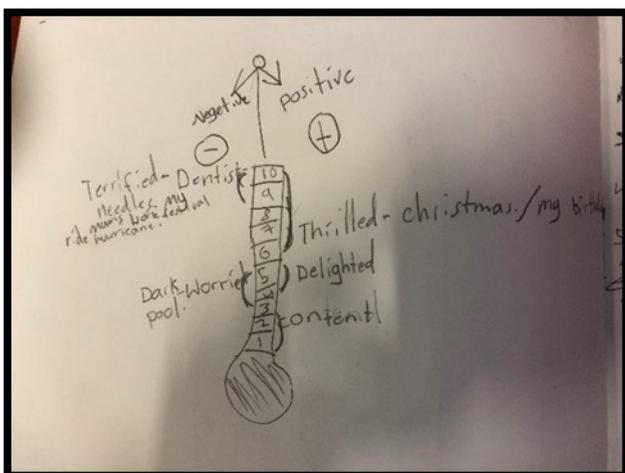
Respectful Relationships – Year 3 & 4

In 3-4 MN we chat a lot about our emotions. We discuss positive and negative emotions and how they affect our bodies. Together as a class, we developed a vocabulary list to identify and describe our emotions then drew our bodies with different emotions we individually felt.



3/4 MZ have been learning about different emotions and their intensity. The emotional thermometer was discussed and comfortable and uncomfortable feelings were placed on the thermometer depending on their intensity. Students then recalled times they had felt that emotion.

The emotion of anger was explored further and the students practised different calming strategies they could use to improve their self control when angry. Students rated their favourite calming strategies and identified times that they could use them to stay in control.



Scholastic Book Fair 2019

Another fantastic book fair has ended. Many happy students left the library with new books in hand. We enjoy seeing the excitement on students faces, that a new book brings. Clifford visited his Findon fans and Frensi was delighted with the opportunity to interview him at assembly.

The annual colouring competition was another success.

Congratulations to the winners:

Savannah AT Sienna E LS Emma CG Valerie DF
Steven FH Jason EM Raghav EM

Funds raised from the fair will help us buy new books for the school library.

Huge thank you to all the staff, our wonderful library volunteer Chris and the Findon Community for supporting this year's book fair.

Watch this space, as a Very Cranky Bear may visit in 2020!



Transition to Secondary College

A reminder to parents of all year levels to start thinking about the secondary college which best suits the needs of your particular child. It is never too early to start looking at the different options available and attending open day and tours to get a feel for the schools and what they have to offer.

School Tours

- Loyola College: College Tours Monday 3rd June, Monday 17th June, Monday 22nd July 9:15am – 11:00am.
- Booking essential for tours www.trybooking.com/VRMK
- St Monica's College Epping: 400 Dalton Road, Epping - Information Evening Tuesday 28th May, tours commencing 6:30pm. Ph: 9409 880
- Hume Anglican Grammar P-12: 40 Eucalyptus Parade, Donnybrook: 9:30am start Tuesday 4th June, Register at humegrammar.vic.edu.au
- Catholic Ladies College: School tours Thursday 6th June 9:00am, Bookings www.clc.vic.edu.au. Enrolment applications for Year 7 close 23rd August 2019



MATHS PROBLEM



Congratulations to the following 25 students who entered the 'Maths Problem of the Week' in the week 5 of Term 2. Freeman had the most entries with 9, earning 90 House Points. Don't forget to add your name, house and home group to your entry.

Name	HG	Level	House	Name	HG	Level	House
Raghav K.	EM	Upper	Cuthbert	Holly B.	FAT	Junior	Freeman
Kartik S.	NL	Middle	Cuthbert	Lilian B.	LS	Middle	Freeman
Hamish W.	NL	Junior	Cuthbert	Noah B.	TC	Junior	Freeman
Daksh K.	MN	Middle	Cuthbert	Carter G.	TC	Junior	Roycroft
Matthew P.	JB	Middle	Cuthbert	Zak A.	FH	Junior	Roycroft
Isaac P.	FNS	Junior	Cuthbert	Joseph D.	NL	Junior	Roycroft
Phoenix S.	LS	Middle	Cuthbert	Aaron B.	NL	Junior	Strickland
Lena F.	NL	Junior	Freeman	Bethany J.	DF	Middle	Strickland
Lucy S.	TC	Middle	Freeman	Jeremy J.	TC	Junior	Strickland
Lochan V.	TC	Middle	Freeman	Valerie K.	DF	Middle	Strickland
Harrison C.	HS	Middle	Freeman	Emma K.	CG	Junior	Strickland
Arissa C.	TC	Junior	Freeman	Dev A.	FH	Junior	Strickland
Sydney S.	TC	Junior	Freeman				

House Points

Cuthbert	Freeman - WIN	Roycroft	Strickland
70	90	30	60

THIS WEEK'S PROBLEM – FIND THE FINISHING NUMBER

Upper (4 to 6)	Middle (2 to 4)	Junior (P to 2)
Name:	Name:	Name:
House:	House:	House:
Home Group:	Home Group:	Home Group:
<p>The distance around a rectangular garden is 32 metres. One side of the garden is 9 metres.</p> <p>What is the area of the garden?</p> <p>Draw a labeled diagram of a rectangular garden that has the same perimeter, but has a different area than the one in the above problem.</p>	<p>On May 29th, Olive turns 8 years old, making her one quarter of her mum's age.</p> <p>On May 29th, 2035, how old will Olive's mum be?</p> <p>How old will Olive be?</p> <p>What is the sum (total) of Olive's age and mum's age in 2035?</p>	<p>At the milk bar, I buy a cookie.</p> <p>I give the person behind the counter a \$5 note and I am given \$2.20 in change.</p> <p>How much did the cookie cost?</p> <p>The shopkeeper gives me 5 coins as my \$2.20 in change. Draw the possible coins given.</p> <p>Can you think of 3 ways?</p>

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

MATHLETICS

44 certificates were awarded to Findon students over the last two weeks.

Don't forget, to earn a certificate on Mathletics, you need to earn 1000 points between Monday and Sunday. You earn a Gold Certificate (which is presented to you at assembly) after you have earned 20 certificates.

Home Group 5/6 IK has the most certificates this year with an incredible 146. A fantastic effort.

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

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



F AT	Loki – For being responsible with your learning.	3/4 DF	Omar – For showing a responsible attitude to working to your ability.
F NS	Jesse – For being brave and coming to school with a smile on his face.	5/6 MS	Deearn – for working through a tricky situation with courage, integrity and honesty.
F EH	Brooke – for always taking care of her classmates.	5/6 EM	Thomas – for looking after his belongings and controlling his emotions.
1/2 TC	Hugo – For trying hard to take responsibility for your learning.	5/6 IK	Christian – Always being a responsible JSC member.
1/2 FH	Tanner – For taking responsibility to be on time.	5/6 JW	Johan – for always being respectful of everyone and he is really responsible.
1/2 CG	Isabella – for always being responsible in the classroom.	5/6 AS	Mike – demonstrating improvement in responsibility this week.
1/2 JB	Matthew – For being more responsible with your learning and around our classroom.		
1/2 NL	Indyanna – For being very responsible in and out of the classroom.	Specialist Awards	
3/4 MN	Storme – For constantly being responsible and a caring member of the class.	VA	Mrs.T – Ethan – For taking responsibility for his learning Nicole – Arianne – For doing an amazing job with your skateboard.
3/4 HS	Wafa – For being a positive role model for our class.	PA	Krystyna – For a fantastic performing arts session and singing so beautifully.
3/4 LS	Massimo – For always trying your best to do the right thing.	PE	Tyler K – For showing great responsibility in your learning in PE.
3/4 MZ	Gabriel – For trying his best in writing and being a responsible learner.	KG	Kath - Eli H – for a stunning week in the kitchen. Bill – Alexis – For doing a great job in the garden.



City of
Whittlesea

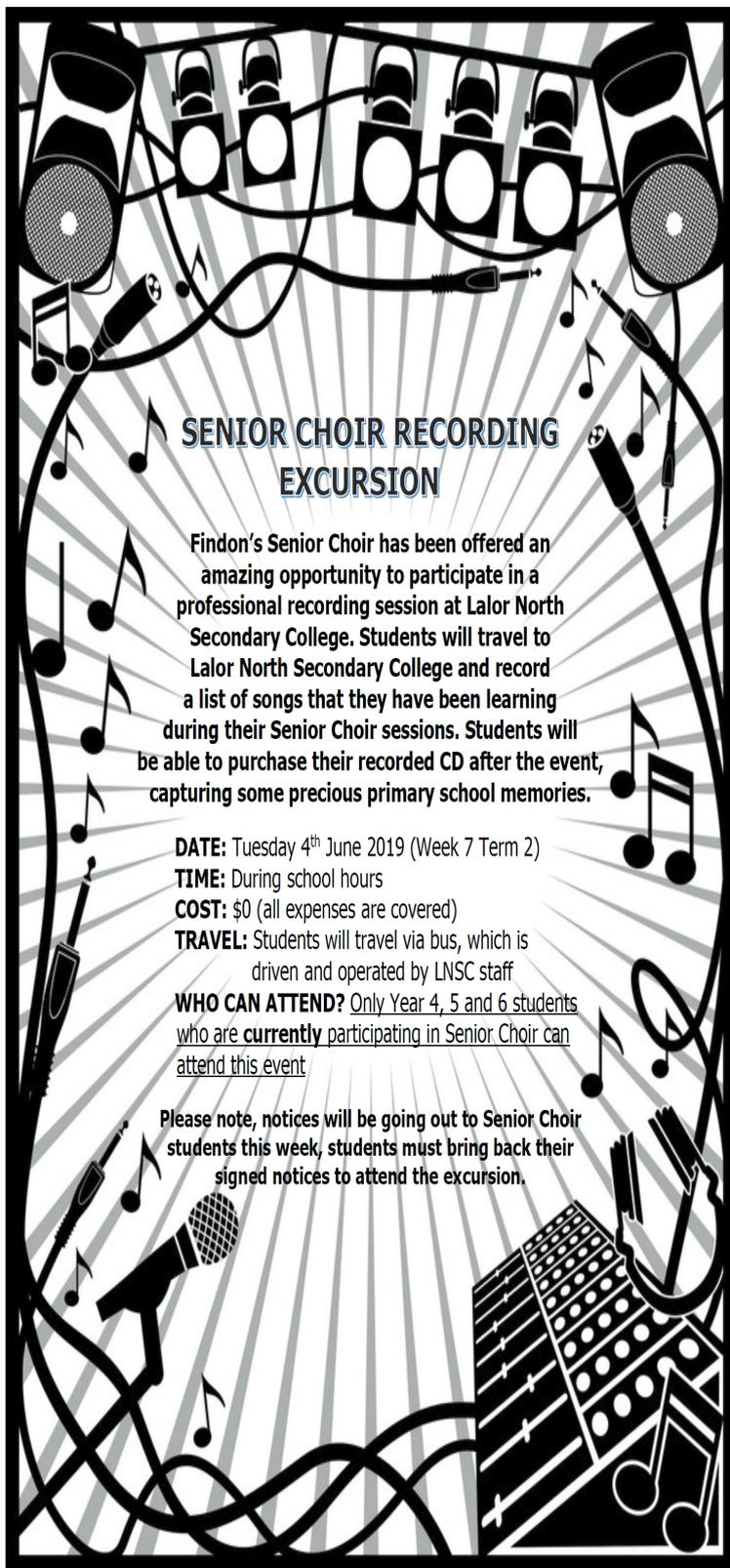
Have you applied for
4 year old kindergarten
in 2020?

Apply by Sunday 30 June 2019 to be considered in the first round of placement offers for attendance in 2020. Applications submitted after this date will be accepted and processed at a later date.

For more information contact the **City of Whittlesea:**

Phone: 9217 2170

Email: keo@whittlesea.vic.gov.au



SENIOR CHOIR RECORDING EXCURSION

Findon's Senior Choir has been offered an amazing opportunity to participate in a professional recording session at Lalor North Secondary College. Students will travel to Lalor North Secondary College and record a list of songs that they have been learning during their Senior Choir sessions. Students will be able to purchase their recorded CD after the event, capturing some precious primary school memories.

DATE: Tuesday 4th June 2019 (Week 7 Term 2)

TIME: During school hours

COST: \$0 (all expenses are covered)

TRAVEL: Students will travel via bus, which is driven and operated by LNSC staff

WHO CAN ATTEND? Only Year 4, 5 and 6 students who are **currently** participating in Senior Choir can attend this event

Please note, notices will be going out to Senior Choir students this week, students must bring back their signed notices to attend the excursion.

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STEP 01

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Go to web.flexibuzz.com and click "Sign Up".

STEP 02

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Select the 'Search' icon and type in our name. Select us from the results.

STEP 03

Select your communication groups



Click the 'Add' icon beside the communication groups that apply to you.

STEP 04

Get started



Click the 'Home' icon to view our recent posts.

For further information or assistance please visit our website www.flexibuzz.com or email us via support@flexibuzz.com.



NEWSLETTER REQUEST

The Newsletter will now only be available on the school website

www.findonps.vic.edu.au and the **flexibuzz** app unless requested.

2019 Netbook Payment Schedule

	Dates	Year 4 (2019)	Year 5 (2020)	Year 6 (2021)
Start date		Feb 2019	Feb 2020	Feb 2021
End date		Dec 2019	Dec 2020	Dec 2021
Once off deposit	Friday 30 th Nov 2018	\$30		
1 st Payment	Friday 1 st Feb 2019	\$65	\$65	\$65
2 nd Payment	Friday 26 th Apr 2019	\$65	\$65	\$65
3 rd Payment	Friday 19 th Jul 2019	\$65	\$65	\$65
4 th Payment	Friday 11 th Oct 2019	\$65	\$65	\$65

Northern Health

#iamvaccinated

**Protecting
our community
and me.**



Following last year's influenza season, this year Northern Health will be providing free influenza vaccinations for the community.

Anyone over the age of 6 months is encouraged to get their annual flu shot, however some groups in our community are more vulnerable to the virus, and can suffer more serious complications from the flu. This includes:

- Pregnant women
- People aged over 65
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people over 6 months of age
- Children younger than 5 years of age
- People with chronic medical conditions or weakened immune systems

In addition to vaccinations, there are a number of steps that we can take to help prevent the spread of the virus.

- Cough or sneeze into your elbow—it stops your hands getting covered in the flu virus and will stop the spread of germs.
- Washing your hands thoroughly with soap and water regularly throughout the day is an effective way of stopping the spread of the flu causing germs.

Free vaccinations will be available during the below times:

Northern Hospital Epping Foyer 8am—8pm daily (including weekends)

Times may change according to demand so please check this link before attending <https://www.nh.org.au/flu-vaccinations/>

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CHILD SAFE CODE OF CONDUCT

CHILD SAFE COMMITMENT:

Findon Primary School is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people. Our school community recognises the importance of, and a responsibility for, ensuring our school is a safe, supportive and enriching environment which respects and fosters the dignity and self esteem of children and young people, and enables them to thrive in their learning and development.

This Code of Conduct aims to protect children and reduce any opportunities for child abuse or harm to occur. It also assists in understanding how to avoid or better manage risky behaviours and situations. It is intended to complement child protection legislation, Department policy, school policies and procedures and professional standards, codes or ethics as these apply to staff and other personnel.

The Principal will support implementation and monitoring of the Code of Conduct, and will plan, implement and monitor arrangements to provide inclusive, safe and orderly schools and other learning environments. The Principal and School Improvement Team of Findon Primary School will also provide information and support to enable the Code of Conduct to operate effectively.

All staff, contractors, volunteers and any other member of the school community involved in child related work are required to comply with the Code of Conduct by observing expectations for appropriate behaviour below. The Code of Conduct applies in all school situations.

ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR:

As staff, volunteers, contractors, and any other member of the school community involved in child related work individually, we are responsible for supporting and promoting the safety of children by:

- upholding the school's statement of commitment to child safety at all times and adhering to the school's Child Safe Policy
- treating students and families in the school community with respect
- listening and responding to the views and concerns of students and parents/care givers, particularly where concerns are being shown about safety
- promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of Indigenous students
- promoting the cultural safety, participation and empowerment of students with culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds
- promoting the safety, participation and empowerment of students with a disability
- reporting any allegations of child abuse or other child safety concerns to the school's leadership and/or child safety officer
- understanding and complying with all reporting or disclosure obligations (including mandatory reporting) as they relate to protecting children from harm or abuse
- if child abuse is suspected, ensuring as quickly as possible that the student(s) are safe and protected from harm

UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOURS:

As staff, volunteers, contractors, and any other member of the school community involved in child related work we must not:

- ignore or disregard any concerns, suspicions or disclosures of child abuse
- develop a relationship with any student that could be seen as favouritism or amount to 'grooming' behaviour
- exhibit behaviours or engage in activities with students which may be interpreted as abusive and not justified by the educational, therapeutic, or service delivery context
- ignore behaviours by other adults towards students when they appear to be inappropriate
- discuss content of an intimate nature or use sexual innuendo with students, except where it occurs relevantly in the context of parental guidance, delivering the education curriculum or a therapeutic setting
- treat a child unfavourably because of their disability, age, gender, race, culture, vulnerability, sexuality or ethnicity
- communicate directly with a student through personal or private contact channels (including by social media, email, instant messaging, texting etc.) except where that communication is reasonable in all the circumstances, related to school work or extra curricular activities or where there is a safety concern or other urgent matter
- photograph or video a child in a school environment except in accordance with school policy or where required for duty of care purposes
- in the school environment or at other school events where students are present, consume alcohol contrary to school policy or take illicit drugs under any circumstances

EVALUATION:

This policy shall be reviewed every 2 years as part of the ongoing policy and process review.

REFERENCE:

DET School Policy Guide