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DATES TO REMEMBER

TUESDAY, 12th November 2019

NOVEMBER

- 20 Sausage Sizzle
- 26 Pyjama Onesie Day Fundraiser for Beyond Blue

DECEMBER

- 10 Year 6 Orientation Day
- 11 Family Carols Night
- 16 Year 6 Graduation Practice
- 16 Year 6 Graduation Ceremony
- 18 LT1 Rabbit Hole
- 18 LT2 Norris Bank Reserve
- 18 LT3 La Trobe Sports Centre
- 18 LT4 Funfields
- 20 Last Day Term 4

Hello Everyone,

Congratulations to 3/ 4 HS and Foundation AT who celebrated a 'Barbie with the Boss' last Friday recognising their **Class Attendance** and **On Time** awards for Term 2 & 3. Being at School every day and being on time enables students to be able to work and learn to their full potential. WELL DONE 3/ 4 HS & F AT.



BEGINNING SCHOOLS PROGRAM: OUR NEW 2020 STUDENTS

We welcome our 2020 Foundation A-L students to Findon this Wednesday & (M-Z) students this Friday, for our **Beginning Schools Program 2020**. We look forward to our students continuing to transition to school over the next month. Natasha has done an excellent job organising and preparing for the program and we look forward to settling our new students in, throughout the 8 sessions.

READING MATTERS: OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

The library will be closing last week of term, for end of year stocktake and reorganisation. We currently have MANY books overdue or missing. Please look in your book cases, Grandma's bookcase, under the bed, in the wardrobe, in your siblings wardrobe, in Mum's car and Dad's car and return these books as soon as possible so that others can enjoy them too. The library is open every day for you to return your books, so there is no excuse for any overdue books.

Booklists & Essential Educational Resources 2020

Findon Primary School is very proud of the quality programs that we have on offer to cater for the needs and interests of our students. On an annual basis School Council prepares a budget to provide resources for educational programs, teaching and learning, school administration, utilities and services, facilities development and maintenance, urgent works, cleaning and general school operations.

Our 2020 Booklist went home to all families last Friday, in order to help plan and prepare for your financial commitments prior to the end of the year. Costs will be kept to a minimum for books, requisites, stationery, school diary, consumable materials, a range of equipment for learning and teaching programs including specialist programs, full **Mathletics** and **Reading Eggs** Licence Fees per student and our excursions levy. The one off \$100 levy paid at the start of the year, will cover **all** excursions or incursions planned for the entire year, linked to our Inquiry units of work. It does not however include School Camps. We will also once again, add a Swimming Levy of \$70, for F-2 students. At the end of the 2020 year if any funds have not been allocated they will carry forward to the following year. All school Camps will be invoiced separately. It is expected all book lists will be **fully paid by the end of January**. While payment is not required until the start of the 2020 school year we would appreciate payment by December 2019. A **school stationery book box will only be received upon payment**.

HOW TO ENGAGE YOUR CHILD AT HOME

Children just want to have fun! This may sound obvious, but making a lesson or family activity fun can take some work! Here is how to make an experience fun and engaging:

1. Share your enthusiasm! Don't be afraid to make a fool of yourself -clown around a bit and pull a face, lead a game yourself and get the children to copy your actions, show them with your voice and your body language that you are really excited about spending time with them doing an activity.
2. Make a game out of it. There are very few activities that can't be turned into a game when you are trying to engage children. Friendly competition with no real losers will quickly engage children with an activity. A simple phrase like 'let's see how fast we can do this ...' will soon grant you the children's full attention.

3. Give the children an active role. No one likes a lecture and children least of all. The best way to learn is by doing and children in particular respond really well to getting a chance to try something for themselves. So include them!

4. Provide real experiences wherever you can.

Your interaction with your child is a chance to pull them away from the virtual world of computers into a real life sensory experience. Children love what they can touch and taste and smell. Reading about animals is no substitute for meeting real live animals. Hearing about the life-cycle of a plant bears no comparison with getting to dig up soil and plant your own seeds -then checking back on how they grow.

5. Stories are always interesting. Everyone loves stories, and children most of all. A well-told story will always engage children's attention. The latest neuro-marketing research has demonstrated that our brains remember stories better than any other form of information-sharing, making stories the best way to teach just about anything! Stories are particularly powerful for teaching life-lessons and moral values, but a creative teacher can turn even a science lesson into a story.

With daylight savings and the weather finally getting warm, I hope you all get some time to enjoy the spring sunshine!

TIPS FOR TRANSITION FROM PRIMARY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL:

It's that time of the year when our year 6 students are beginning to contemplate the move from primary to secondary school. It is an exciting time for our young people and their parents, but also a bit daunting as well. The more informed and involved you are in your child's preparation, the more likely the transition will be positive. From day one your child will experience many changes, each of which brings questions and new things to do:

- More subjects
- More homework
- More challenging school work
- The responsibility to get to classes in different rooms, on time
- The need to manage themselves, their learning and equipment
- Using lockers and carrying books between classes
- Adapting to different teaching styles
- Having no 'home' classroom although many schools have a base for year 7 students.

With the help of family and school staff, students usually adapt quickly to their new environment. Most secondary schools work with primary schools to make transition easier. A school's transition program may include:

- Secondary students visiting their former primary school to talk about their experiences
- A buddy system where students new to the school are paired up with older students already at the school. These older students can answer questions and help the new students adjust to secondary school life
- Secondary school teachers visiting primary schools to talk about what to expect at secondary school
- 6-7 Secondary School on Orientation Day Tuesday 10th December

Parents are welcome to visit www.education.vic.gov.au/about/publications/newsinfo/secondaryschool.htm to access a 'Parent's Guide to Victorian Government Secondary Schools'

BABY NEWS

Congratulations to Kath and Anta on their expectant arrival of a baby girl in March.

END OF YEAR FINAL ASSEMBLY 12.30

Please note that the finishing time for the last day of term, **Friday 20th December is 1.30pm**. Parents are being given plenty of notice to make arrangements for their child to be collected at 1.30pm on the last day.

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

'No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.' AESOP

Have a great week everyone

Paula Cosgrave

Principal



Beginning Schools Program

A reminder to all parents who have a child starting school in Year Foundation next year. The beginning schools program will start on **Wednesday, November 20th** and run on both Wednesdays and Fridays for 4 weeks. If you would like a copy of the timetable for the Beginning Schools Program, please see the office. We look forward to a smooth transition.

Graduation Reminder

Just a reminder to organise your graduation package tickets before the closing date of November 28th. Orders will be placed on that day for the signature products (bears, soccer balls, footballs) so that we can organise delivery on time. Any questions can be answered at the office or directed to myself.

Evelyne Murray

Transition Coordinator



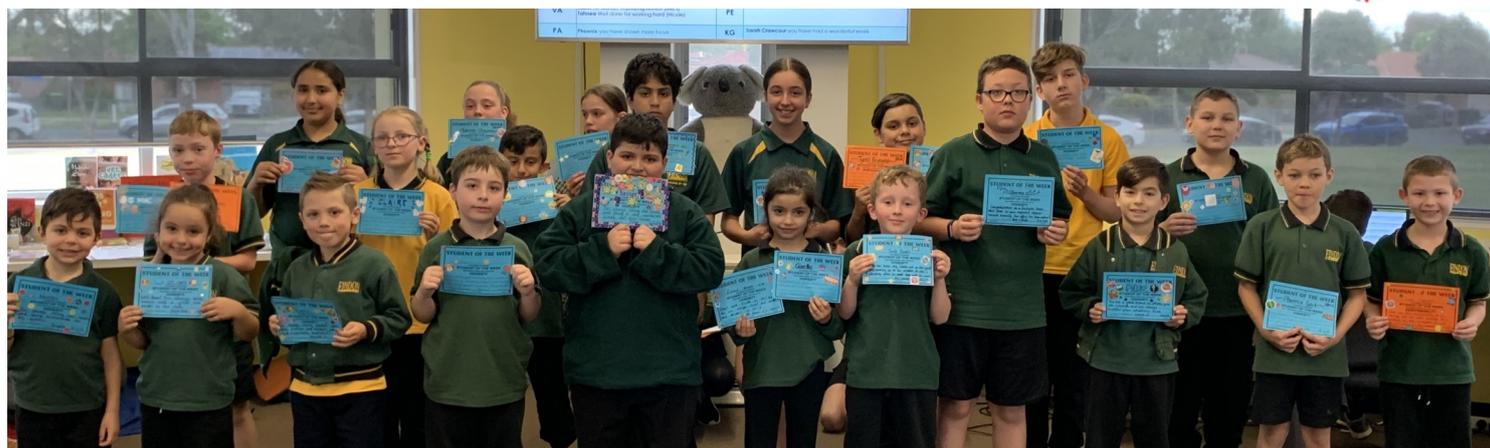
FAMILY CAROLS NIGHT

Wednesday

December 11th

5.00pm - 8.00pm

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



F AT	Nicolas-For always telling the truth	3/4 HS	Claire-3/4 HS is proud of you for doing your honest best work and never giving up.
F NS	Zara-for being a great role model	3/4 LS	Peter-you are a great friend to others and are truthful when situations arise
F EH	Aaliyah-for being honest with herself	3/4 MZ	Mac-well done for being a super star student who shows integrity and honesty
1/2 TC	Austin-for being honest with friends, teachers and yourself	3/4 DF	Khodar-you have tried your best in all of your learning this week
1/2 FH	Kobi-displayed honesty by taking responsibility for his actions	5/6 MS	Koray-for working hard to improve his learning
1/2 CG	Yasser-for telling the truth. Well done!	5/6 EM	Zoe- for always being trustworthy
1/2 JB	Gizelle-for being honest with peers and teachers. Keep it up!	5/6 IK	Tyrell-an excellent and honest week in your learning
1/2 NL	Seth-for being honest out in the yard and owning up to his mistakes	5/6 JW	Pavel- for displaying honesty when trying to solve problems amongst friends
3/4 MN	Storme-congratulations on a fantastic term.	5/6 AS	Tai-for being honest in lunch time games

Specialist Awards

VA	Sabin-for always displaying honesty (Mrs T) Tahnea-Well done for working hard (Nicole)	PE	Gizelle-you are always honest and make good decisions in P.E
PA	Phoenix-you have shown more focus	KG	Sarah Crawcour-you have had a wonderful week

Term 4 Netbook Payment is now over due

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



MATHS PROBLEM



Congratulations to the following 21 students who entered the 'Maths Problem of the Week' in week 6 of Term 4. Freeman won the week with 8 entries and 40 house points. Don't forget to add your name, house and home group to your entry.

Name	HG	Level	House	Name	HG	Level	House
Logan G.	DF	Middle	Cuthbert	Joseph D.	NL	Middle	Roycroft
Indy G.	NL	Junior	Cuthbert	Carter G.	TC	Junior	Roycroft
Hugo P.	TC	Junior	Cuthbert	Logan G.	MN	Middle	Roycroft
Brandon S.	LS	Middle	Freeman	Eddy C.	MN	Middle	Roycroft
Nathan S.	HS	Middle	Freeman	Aaron B.	NL	Middle	Strickland
Holly D.	FAT	Junior	Freeman	Lewis G.	FH	Junior	Strickland
Sydney S.	TC	Junior	Freeman	Dev A.	FH	Junior	Strickland
Noah B.	TC	Junior	Freeman	Jeremy J.	TC	Junior	Strickland
Lilian B.	LS	Middle	Freeman	Bethany J.	DF	Middle	Strickland
Harrison C.	HS	Middle	Freeman	Hannah	FAT	Junior	Strickland
Arissa C.	TC	Junior	Freeman				

House Points

Cuthbert	Freeman - WIN	Roycroft	Strickland
15	40	20	30

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:
<p>What 3D solid am I?</p> <p>I have an odd number of vertices My net is made up of 5 2D figures 4 of my figures are the same I have an even number of edges I am not a prism I have a square as a base</p> <p>I am:</p> <p>Draw my 3D solid and net here:</p>	<p>What shape am I?</p> <p>I am a four sided figure I am not a square I do not have 4 right angles I do not have 2 sets of parallel lines I do have at least one set of parallel lines My corner angles add up to 360 degrees I am a shape starting with T.</p> <p>I am a:</p> <p>Draw me here:</p>	<p>Colour code the name of the shape with the picture:</p> <p>pentagon </p> <p> octagon</p> <p>hexagon </p> <p> ellipse</p> <p>rectangle </p>

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

MATHLETICS

43 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.

5/6 IK and 5/6 EM have earned an incredible 459 certificates between the two classes.

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

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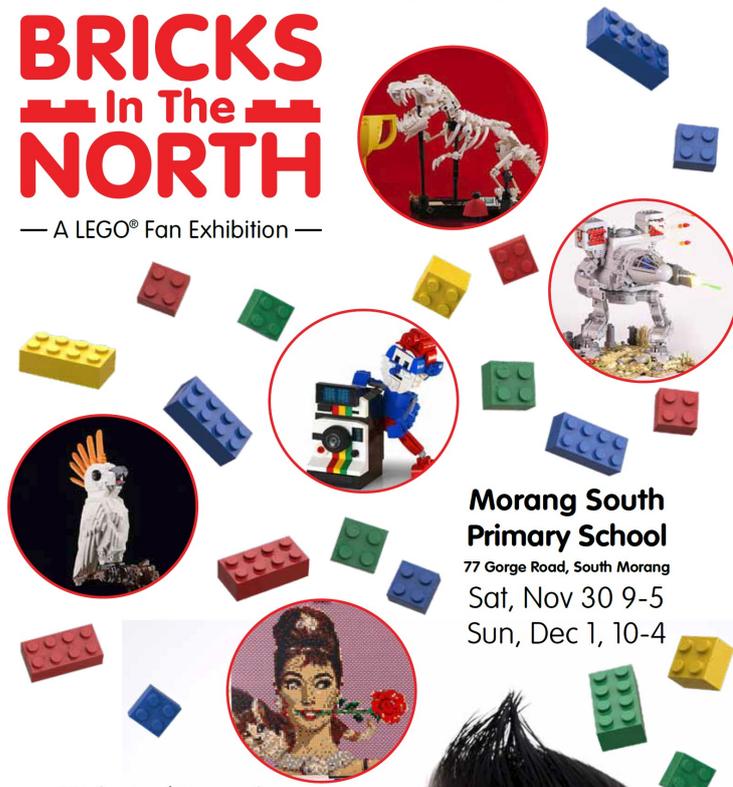
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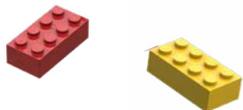
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77 Gorge Road, South Morang
Sat, Nov 30 9-5
Sun, Dec 1, 10-4

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