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Learning for life

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DATES TO REMEMBER | **TUESDAY, 3rd December 2019**

DECEMBER	
10	Year 6 Orientation Day
11	Thank You Afternoon Tea
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
JANUARY 2020	
28	Curriculum Day
29	Curriculum Day
30	Years 1 - 6 Return
FEBRUARY	
6	Foundation Students Start
13	Netbook Presentation Evening 5.30 - 7pm
26	Meet and Greet
JUNE	
24	Student Led Conferences
AUGUST	
7	Curriculum Day
NOVEMBER	
2	Curriculum Day
3	Melbourne Cup Day

Hello Everyone,

2020 TERM DATES

Term 1: 30th January – 27th March (9 weeks)

Term 2: 14th April – 26th June (11 weeks)

Term 3: 13th July – 18h September (10 weeks)

Term 4: 5th October- 18th December (11 weeks)

Respectful Relationships Education in Learning Team 2

Students of 1/2 FH are here to persuade you that it doesn't matter what gender you are you can do anything you want to do in life.

We have been discussing all the activities that school children like to do and we figured out that it doesn't really matter if you are a boy or girl you can kick a footy, play dress ups or play with dolls! Did you know that action figures are actually dolls? Boys and girls can play together and have lots of fun and adventures.

Personal strengths like ***honesty, kindness, forgiveness, being hardworking, patient, funny or curious*** have nothing to do with what gender you are…it is all about the qualities of being a wonderful human being. In our class we believe that we are a gender friendly classroom. Boys and girls learn, work and play happily together. We are fair and friendly to everyone.

TRADITIONS

Traditions matter. They represent great value in our culture and help form the foundation of our families and society. They remind us that we are part of a history that defines our past, shapes who we are today and who we are likely to become in the future. Traditions contribute a sense of comfort and belonging. They bring families, friends, neighbours and communities together. Traditions reinforce values, including faith, integrity, personal and collective responsibly, a strong work ethic and compassion. Traditions provide opportunities to say 'thank you' or 'I love you'. Traditions produce opportunities to create lasting memories for our families and friends. They keep us grounded and focused. Traditions are constant. In our busy lives, they provide opportunities to live in the moment, slow down, appreciate and express gratitude for all the good things in our lives. It is important to 'pass the torch' of family traditions, to impart a sense of continuity and love. Family traditions are valuable experiences for raising children because they instil values and contribute to developing close family ties and a sense of belonging.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS COMMUNITY NIGHT WEDNESDAY 11th DECEMBER

We are well underway with our preparations for the Christmas Carols. If you haven't already done so, please mark this date in your diary as it is one of our favourite annual whole school events. Please be aware that this is a smoke, alcohol and drug free event.

REMINDER: BSP PARENT SESSIONS WEDNESDAY 4th FRIDAY 6th DECEMBER

Findon Primary School conducts a Beginning Schools Transition Program (BSP) over eight sessions for those children leaving kinder and commencing their primary education. This program is a vital component of ensuring our new students make a smooth transition to the beginning of their formal education. During the transition program, our new students have the opportunity to familiarise themselves with their new school environment, meet many of the staff they will be interacting with and experience some of the structures and programs they will encounter next year. We welcome parents to our two Parent Information Session in the Library from 9.15 till 10.45. These sessions cover ***Readiness for School***, ***Positive Transitioning to School, Write to Read Program*** and ***School Nurse.*** It is also an opportunity to get to know other parents and families for 2020, over a

TRANSITION

Starting primary school is a major milestone for children and their parents, marking the start of a new phase of life for both. The transition to school is an experience that starts well before, and extends far beyond, your child's first day. Your child may start school after going to kindergarten or child care or they may not have attended any formal service before going to school. All children will have developed a range of skills and abilities that will form the basis of their positive school experiences. As well as transition into Foundation we acknowledge the challenge our students face when entering the next year level of their schooling, and as such provide them with a 'Meet the Teacher' transition session on Thursday 19th December 2019.

PARENT HELPERS & VOLUNTEERS' THANK YOU MORNING TEA - REMINDER

Throughout the year there are many parents and community members who give their time and contribute to the life of the school enriching the programs and environment available to our students. We would like to express our appreciation and thanks to all those who have assisted in so many ways this year. We are holding a **Volunteer** and **Parent Helpers' Morning Tea at Findon** on **Wednesday 11th December at 11am** to express our thanks.

I leave you with the following words to ponder…

A Little Poem to reinforce the Home School Partnership

I dreamed I stood in a studio
And watched two sculptors there
The clay they used was a young child's mind
And they fashioned her with care.

One was a teacher, the tools she used
Were books and music and art
One was a parent with guiding hands
And a gentle loving heart

Day after day the teacher toiled
With a touch that was deft and sure,
While the parent laboured by her side
And polished and smothered it o'er

And when at last their task was done,
They were proud of what they had wrought
For the things they had moulded into the child
Could neither be sold or bought.

And each agreed they would have failed
If they had worked alone,
For behind the parent stood the school,
And behind the teacher, the home

Have a great week

Paula Cosgrave

Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

F AT	**Lexi** - For being kind to everyone and taking care of her teacher	**3/4 HS**	**Lancia** - For being a caring class member and speaking kindly
F NS	**Prince -** For caring for others and making sure they are ok	**3/4 LS**	**Evelyn** - For having a good week and being a good friend
F EH	**Louis -** For being a friend, caring to others and helping others when they're upset	**3/4 MZ**	**Will** - For showing care and compassion towards his classmates
1/2 TC	**Carter -** For thinking about others and offering to help	**3/4 DF**	**Natasha -** For being kind and considerate to her classmate and being a good role model.
1/2 FH	**Charlotte** - For being considerate and helping others	**5/6 MS**	**Deearn -** For being an excellent role model to her classroom peers, and showing care and compassion to her teacher
1/2 CG	**Millie** - For including and being a great friend	**5/6 EM**	**Matthew** - For treating others with respect, care and compassion
1/2 JB	**Jennifer** - For being a caring and a good friend	**5/6 IK**	**Kyra** - For being caring and compassionate to her learning, peers and classroom
1/2 NL	**Harmony** - For being caring towards her peers	**5/6 JW**	**Menagan-** For presenting a great debate speech
3/4 MN	**Sona** - For having a good week and having a caring	**5/6 AS**	**Sama -** For Demonstrating care and compassion to her peers
Specialist Awards			
VA	**Isla -** For showing care and compassion by including her peers, and helping her team when needed- Mrs T **Natalie** - For working really hard in visual arts	**PE**	**Shada -** For constantly displaying care and compassion.
PA	**Aaliyah -** For trying her best in performing arts	**KG**	**Charlotte -** For asking where she is needed in the kitchen, and always being enthusiastic

Term 4 Netbook Payment is now over due

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

Congratulations to our 2020 School Captains

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Exciting News!!!

Dear Families,

We are excited to announce the new coordinator at Findon Primary School's OSHC Program:

Ruth Narayan

Ruth has been an active and dedicated member of the team at Findon Primary School, for the past two yers and has welcomed the opportunity to step as the coordinator.

Ruth is looking forward to working with all the families and etting to know your child. Ruth loves cooking with the children, art and craft activities and playing outside with the children.

Please join me in welcoming Ruth to the Findon Primary School OSHC Family, please feel free to drop in and say "Hi"

MATHS PROBLEM

Congratulations to the following 20 students who entered the 'Maths Problem of the Week' in week 9 of Term 4. Freeman won the week with 10 entries and 50 house points. Don't forget to add your name, house and home group to your entry.

Name	HG	Level	House		Name	HG	Level	House
Hugo P.	TC	Junior	Cuthbert		Holly B.	FAT	Junior	Freeman
Indy G.	NL	Junior	Cuthbert		Harrison C.	HS	Middle	Freeman
Matthew	JB	Upper	Cuthbert		Arissa C.	TC	Junior	Freeman
Joshua	NL	Junior	Freeman		Kobi M.	FH	Junior	Roycroft
Lena	NL	Junior	Freeman		Aaron B.	NL	Middle	Strickland
Sydney S.	TC	Junior	Freeman		Hannah G.	FAT	Junior	Strickland
Lilian B.	LS	Middle	Freeman		Lewis	FH	Junior	Strickland
Noah B.	TC	Junior	Freeman		Nini G.	FNS	Junior	Strickland
Nathan S.	HS	Upper	Freeman		Dev A.	FH	Junior	Strickland
Brandon S.	LS	Middle	Freeman		Aria G	TC	Junior	Strickland

House Points

Cuthbert	Freeman - WIN	Roycroft	Strickland
15	50	5	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:**
Solve X in the following equations: 3X + 5 = 20, X = 4X – 9 = 51, X = In an isosceles triangle, there are three angles – X, Y and Z. Angle Y and Z are equal in angle. Their angle is more than ½ a right angle and together the sum of the two angles is 100 degrees. What is the value of angle X? Draw the triangle here: Tomorrow is X's birthday. He will turn 3 times his brother's age. His brother is the square root of 16, plus 1. How old is X today?	What number am I? • I am a three digit number • I am bigger than 20 x 20 • I am even • My first two digits are odd • I am less than 30 x 20 • My digits add up to 20 • My middle digit is my largest digit and is a multiple of 3. • You can divide me into 4 groups with no remainder • I am only 4 away from my nearest hundred I am: ____ ____ ____	Circle the odd one out: A: circle, square, triangle, cube B: 23, 45, 56, 31, 19, 65 C: Lion, Bear, Duck, Snake, Seal D: 123, 456, 678, 234, 763 E: North, South, Left, Subtract, Down

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

MATHLETICS

56 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.

Congratulations to Elina M. (IK) and Noah W-R. (MN) on reaching their Gold Certificate.

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Findon Primary School Presents . . .
2019 CAROLS NIGHT

Class & Guest Performances
Raffle
Sausage Sizzle
Santa & more!

Wednesday 11th December

5:00PM -8:00PM
Festivities & Food
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Santa & Raffle from 7:30pm
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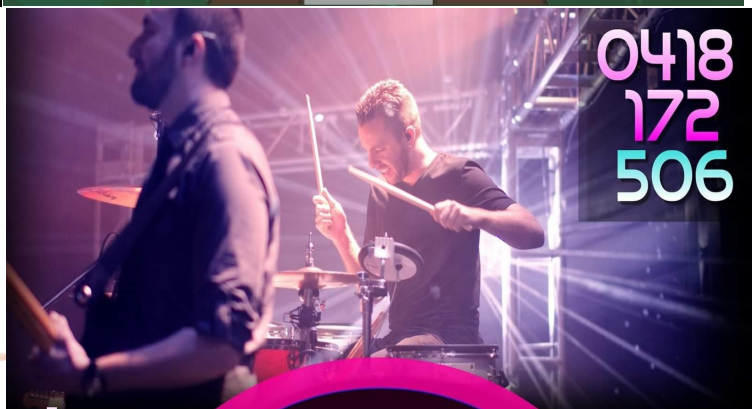

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