

FINDON

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning for life



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DATES TO REMEMBER

TUESDAY, 10th August 2021

Now Taking Enrolments for 2022

AUGUST

- 16 Science Week
- 18 LT1 Bundoora Farm
- 19 Writers' Festival 5:00pm - 7pm
- 20 LT3 Melbourne Zoo
- 24 Bundoora District Athletics Carnival
- 27 Year 1 Dinner & Year 2 Sleepover

As our community faces another round of lockdowns and returns to remote learning until Thursday 12th August, I want to congratulate the level of resilience that has been demonstrated by both our students and staff. Our students have connected with their teachers on Seesaw and are working each day on their assigned tasks.

Staff will continue to communicate with the children each day with a *morning message* via Seesaw. They will provide a range of activities across the day that will include:

- A Literacy task – reading and writing tasks
- Numeracy task
- A lesson from the specialist teachers (one from each of the different areas each day)

The teachers continue to provide feedback on the learning tasks across the week. We ask that parents support their children with their learning as best as they can and encourage them to continue to read a range of material. We would also like to encourage students to ensure they log in to Reading Eggs and Mathletics, as this will help to reinforce the learning in the classroom. We also want to encourage parents to continue to develop routines at home during remote learning – have desk or a regular place for learning, schedule break times and times when their children go outside, stretch and play.

We ask that parents and carers support the children at home and communicate with the classroom teachers via our Compass Portal.

During the school day, all gates will be locked at 9.00am. All visitors to the school will need to contact the school office on 94041362 for entry to school grounds via the front gate only.

SEPTEMBER

- 2 A - L Production
- 2 LT2 Chemistry Chaos Incursion
- 3 M - Z Production
- 3 LT2 Chemistry Chaos Incursion
- 7 Divisional Athletics
- 7 LT4 Light Incursion
- 8 LT4 Light Incursion

At this stage the restrictions are active until Thursday and we are expected to return to school on Friday. There are many events and programs that will affect our school in the coming weeks. We hope that we can still hold these events especially as next week is Science Week and the Writers' Festival is planned for Thursday. We will provide updates and communicate any information as it becomes available.

NOVEMBER

- 1 Curriculum Day
- 2 Melbourne Cup Day

Thank you for your co-operation and support during these restrictions.

DECEMBER

- 15 LT3 La Trobe Sports Centre

Parent Opinion Survey

WE WANT OUR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS/GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents/caregivers/guardians (previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey). It is designed to assist schools in

gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Wednesday 11th August to Wednesday 25th August 2021**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (Hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

Once the school receives the results from the survey we will communicate these to the school via the School Council. Last year we used the survey results to plan our goals for the following year and to inform the School Strategic Plan.

If you have any questions or queries please feel free to contact the school.

Science Week – Week 6

This year's Science Week theme is 'Food: Different by Design'. Students across the school will be experiencing a variety of science activities to celebrate. During lunchtimes, each Inquiry Action Team member will run a science activity or challenge targeted at a particular learning team, where students will have the opportunity to participate. Each day, there will also be a small Science Week themed activity to be completed in each class related to the theme of food.

Writers' Festival

The Writers' Festival showcases Findon students' writing pieces that they have produced throughout the year, where families of Findon will be invited to explore and engage in discussions about students' writing process and their ideas. The Writers' festival will offer a chance for the writers and their audience to connect, which gives the students a purpose to execute their writing to the best of their abilities. As part of Book Week, students will be encouraged to dress up in their favourite book character on the day and continue to wear their costumes at night. Melbourne based Australian television personality and children's book author, Tony Wilson, will grace us with his presence as he speaks to and inspires students and families. His books include *Harry Highpants*, *The Princess and the Packet of Frozen Peas*, *Stuff Happens: Jack*, *Emo the Emu*, *Baa Baa Blue Sheep* and *The Cow Tripped Over the Moon*, which was an Honour Book in the 2016 Children's Book Council of Australia Awards.

The Writers' Festival will be held on 19th August, the night will follow as below:

- 5:00pm Arrival
- 5:15-5:45pm Special guest: Tony Wilson
- 5:45-6:45pm Parents visit their child's room first then free (encouraged) to move around the school and visit other classes
- 6:45-7pm Wrap up evening

We look forward to reading some amazing writing from our very talented students. Please join us.

Flying into Foundation

COVID restrictions has impacted on a range of programs across the school. Our Flying into Foundation program, where students enrolled for next year's Foundation, spend time at school across several days, will not be able to run as it has in the past. Once restrictions on external visitors lift, we will be running taster mornings for prospective students in Foundation as well as an Open Morning for all families. We will publicise these dates once we know that we can hold them.

School Tours and Foundation Enrolments For 2022

We are currently taking enrolments for our 2022 Foundation classes. Many families may have children at kindergarten and have not yet placed their enrolment forms for Foundation, please contact the office to obtain enrolment forms.

Once again, our onsite tours have been postponed. Please contact the office to register your interest and once we are able to have onsite tours we will contact you to arrange a time.

We also encourage you all to view the **virtual tour** from our former Principal Paula Cosgrave that is available via the homepage [Findon Primary School – learning for life \(findonps.vic.edu.au\)](https://www.findonps.vic.edu.au)

Stay safe and stay well

Snezana Veljanovski

Acting Principal





HAPPY 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL



On Thursday, 5th August, the Foundation students celebrated their '100th' day at school. They all dressed up as 100 year olds and had lots of fun throughout the day focusing on the number 100.

Activities included:

- making necklaces with 100 Cheerios
- writing about 'If I was 100 I would...'
- looking for 100 shapes
- making a biscuit with the number 100
- dancing and singing



I am 100 days smarter!



Jeans for Genes

Thursday 5th August

Well done Findon Primary School for raising money for the Fighting Rare page in our Jeans for Genes Day Fundraiser.

The denim in the school was a fine sight to see and we all loved having the chance to come to school in our favourite pair of pants!

The money raised has enabled the Pryde Family's fundraising efforts to exceed their target of \$3,000 to aid research into genetic illnesses.

Well done to the Findon Team!



56CG In their Jeans for J4G Day

DON'T BE LATE FOR SCHOOL!



Year 7 2023 applications closing Friday 20 August!

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registrar@marymede.vic.edu.au



Due to popular demand.

Additional College Tour dates added.
Bookings online
www.clc.vic.edu.au





Writers' Festival

Thursday 19th August 2021



5.00pm - *Arrival*

5.15pm - 5.45pm - Special Guest: *Author: Tony Wilson*

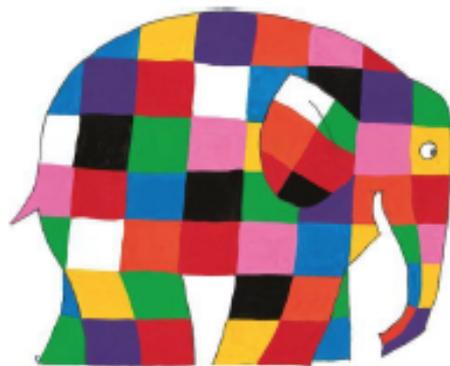
5.45pm - 6.45pm - *Class Writing Visits*

Students and families visit their own classroom to showcase their writing

Then feel free to stroll around and explore other pieces of wonderful work from other classes



To celebrate our Writers' Festival, dress up in your favourite book character for the day, and then continue to wear your costume for the evening event!



COVID safe measures will be in place and you will be informed of these prior to the evening

Canteen Menu

Findon Primary

Please make sure all Lunch Orders are clearly labelled with your NAME and Room number
Paper Bag 10c Tomato Sauce 30c.



Freshly Made Sandwiches

Salad – Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber & Beetroot	4.00
Salad with Ham / Tuna / Roast Chicken	5.00
Salad with Cheese	4.30
Ham / Tuna / Roast Chicken	3.50
Cheese & Tomato	2.80
Egg & Lettuce	4.00
Ham & Cheese	3.80
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	4.10
Vegemite	2.00
Cheese	2.50
ADD – Beetroot, Carrot, Tomato, Mayo	.30
Cheese	.40
Avocado, Egg	1.00
ADD – Roll or Wrap	.50

Toasties

Cheese	2.70
Cheese & Tomato	3.00
Ham Cheese	4.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	4.30
Spaghetti	3.00
Baked Beans	3.00

Focaccias

Roast Chicken, Cheese & Avocado (H)	6.50
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	6.50

Salad Tubs

Lettuce, Carrot, Cucumber, Tomato Beetroot & Salad Dressing	5.00
ADD – Roast Chicken / Tuna / Ham	1.50

Frozen Treats

Paddle Pop	2.00
Icy Twist	1.50
Frozen Jelly Fruits	.50
Zing Frozen Yoghurt	1.00
Twisted Frozen Yoghurt	2.00

Warm foods

Pastizzi Cheese (H)	1.00
Chicken Parma (H)	3.50
Meatball & Cheese Sub	4.50
Hot Dog	3.50
Hot Dog (H)	3.50
Hot Dog with Cheese	3.90
Hot Chicken Roll with Mayo or Gravy (H)	4.50
Homemade Lasagne (H)	4.50
Homemade Mac & Cheese (H)	4.50
Steamed Dim Sims (H)	1.00
Corn on the Cob (H)	1.00
Chicken Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	4.50
Beef Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	4.50
Fish Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	4.50
Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap- Lettuce/Mayo	4.50
Chicken Dino Snacks X 3 (H)	3.00
Chicken Dino Snacks X 6 (H)	5.00
Veggie Burger – Lettuce/Mayo (H)	5.00
Noodle Cup – Chicken (H)	3.00
Homemade Margarita Pizza (H)	3.00
Homemade Hawaiian Pizza	4.00
Homemade BBQ Chicken Pizza (H)	4.00
Lite Meat Pie (H) & Pastie	4.50
Homemade Sausage Roll	3.50
Spinach & Ricotta Roll (H)	3.50
Butter Chicken on Rice	5.00

Gluten Free

Chicken Tender Wrap – Lettuce/Mayo	5.50
Chicken Nuggets x 6	6.00
Meat Pie	5.50
Party Pie / Party Sausage Roll	2.00
Noodle Cup - Chicken	4.00
Lasagne	5.50
Butter Chicken on Rice	5.00

Gluten Free Snacks

Rice Cakes	.50
Rice Crackers	.10
Cornito's (BBQ or Cheese)	1.00



How to Order a Lunch Order

Welcome to the Findon Primary School Canteen. We are open 5 days a week for lunch orders and counter sales.

How to place a lunch order?

1. Write your child's name and room number on a lunch bag. You can either purchase single use brown paper bags from your local supermarket in bulk or for 10 cents each at the canteen. You can also purchase a reusable lunch bag from the office for \$10.
2. Write your child's name, room number and class on the bag along with the order. Canteen menus can be found on the Findon Primary School website <https://www.findonps.vic.edu.au/>
3. Your child will need to place their lunch order in the class lunch tub.
4. Change will be taped on the lunch bag.
5. **For Slushy's/frozen items** - please remind your child to take their lunch bag to the canteen at lunchtime to collect their slushy/frozen items as it can't be delivered to the classroom.

