

FINDON

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning for life



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DATES TO REMEMBER

WEDNESDAY 11th May 2022

MAY

- 11 NAPLAN - YR 5 Reading & Convention
- 12 NAPLAN - YR 3 Reading & Convention
- 16 NAPLAN - YR 3&5 Numeracy
- 23 Education Week Open Day
- 23 2023 Foundation Showcase Evening

JUNE

- 1 Student Free Day
- 10 Curriculum Day

Hello Findon Primary School!

I hope you have all had a wonderful fortnight.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all the mums out there, and individuals who take on the mum role in many circumstances. We hope you all had a beautiful day with your loved ones. Hopefully, you were lucky enough to receive one of the lovely gifts from our hugely successful Mother's Day stall. A big THANK YOU goes out to all who worked the stall last Tuesday and Friday... Sharlene P, Michelle G, Annaliese G, Pat K, Julie-Anne B and Kirsty B. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of this group. The students were very keen to browse and make a perfect selection for the special person in their life. We hope everyone felt special and loved.

A very big thank you also to Vera H, who, in Bill's absence during Week 1, kindly offered to come into the school and assist to help tidy up the school grounds. Vera gathered up a great number of leaves which had fallen over the past 2 ½ weeks. Thank you Vera. We appreciate it!

We also said goodbye to our Foundation teacher Maddy, who has secured an ongoing position at Ashley Park PS, and Enaz, in 5/6, who unfortunately had to leave the school for personal reasons. We thank both these teachers and wish them all the best. The school is hopeful that staffing decisions regarding these classes are finalised this week.

Over the last couple of weeks, we have a number of learning opportunities to report on and celebrate. We hope you appreciate and enjoy the sharing of events and celebrations below:

STUDENT LEARNING

The students, staff and community commenced the term with a beautiful commemoration of ANZAC day. Once again, our student leaders excelled in hosting this commemoration, under the guidance of Andrew. Well Done!



On Monday and Wednesday last week, our F-2 students were involved in the Mad About Science – Light and Sound Incursion. Please see snippet below, kindly put together by Florence and the F-2 team to celebrate the learning.



Mad About Science – Light and Sound Incursion

The Foundation to Year 2 students had an incursion from Mad about Science. Students participated in interactive and hands on activities learning about how light can travel through the vacuum of space, but sound cannot, how both sound and light travel in waves, but the waves are different and how the light we see (visible light) is called white light and is made up of a spectrum of colours that we call the rainbow. Students investigated transparent, translucent and opaque objects to see if light can pass through them. Our learning included:

How is sound made?

We learnt that sound is made up of sound waves or vibrations that we can hear. When objects vibrate, they shake backwards and forwards REALLY fast.

Sound Waves

These vibrations travel as longitudinal waves – called sound waves. When these waves reach our ears, they make our eardrums vibrate and we can hear the sound. We made a Mexican wave to show how sound can travel.



How is light made?

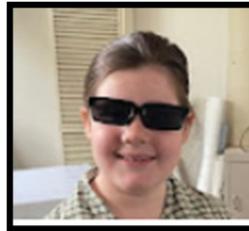
There are many different sources of light. The SUN is our BIGGEST source of light. Some objects including the sun, stars and even fireflies give off their own light. They are NATURAL sources of light.

Other things, like the moon bounce back (reflects) light from the sun. We also have many ARTIFICIAL sources of light. These can include torches, lightbulbs and lanterns.

Rainbows

Rainbows are made when light shines through drops of water. The drops of water BEND (REFRACT) the white light and it splits into different colours. These colours are always in the same order **red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet.**

This term we will be learning a lot about Light and Sound.



Immigration Museum

On Thursday 5th May the Year 5/6 students went on an excursion to the Immigration Museum and National Gallery of Victoria. Thank you to Celeste and the 5/6 team for sharing the information below:

It was a very successful and jam packed day full of learning and excitement. Students had to fill in their own 'passports' whilst exploring the museum and learning about the many people who migrated to Australia, where they came from and reasons for migration. Students then took a short walk to Sandridge Bridge where they explored the different sculptures which represented a different time of migration. After that, they caught the bus to the National Gallery of Victoria to explore some international art and sculpture pieces from different periods of time.



Fun-a-thon

The fortnight ended with a wonderful Fun a thon, which was directed by Mr C and Miss Poole, very capably supported by our student leaders. The theme was FUN, and the community certainly had some fun! Well done to everyone who supported the school on this occasion and helped with the fundraising.



NAPLAN



In 2022, Findon will be conducting NAPLAN online as per Department of Education requirements. Families of students in Year 3 and 5, would have received information regarding the NAPLAN assessment. NAPLAN Online, means reduced time between assessment and reporting, meaning teachers are able to use the data to inform teaching practice, the test is more tailored, responding to student responses, and there is a greater test window of 2 weeks, which provides additional flexibility to schedule tests at appropriate times. NAPLAN dates for the students have been set for:

Tuesday May 10 th	Wednesday May 11 th	Thursday May 12 th	Monday May 16 th
Year 3 & 5 Writing	Year 5 Reading & Conventions of Language	Year 3 Reading & Conventions of Language	Year 3 & 5 Numeracy

EDUCATION WEEK

Education Week is drawing near, and we look forward to celebrating 150 years of public education with the community.

Findon Primary School

Celebrates 150 Years Of Public Education

23rd May
2022

9.15 am -
10.45 am

Life Long Learners

- * Come and celebrate with us by visiting your child as they are learning
- * Check out our Learning Programs in action!
- * School Tour organised for 9.15am for prospective families. Please contact front office to book on 94041362.

Please be advised Covid safe measures will be in place.
Hand sanitizer, social distancing and density limits (as advised by classroom teacher) and ventilation

ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY: WE WANT OUR STUDENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK

The Attitudes to School survey is an annual survey for Year 4 - 12 students offered by the Department of Education and Training. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of students' perceptions and experience of school. Our school will use the survey results to plan programs and activities to improve your child's experience at school. Students in Year 4 - 6 will participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous and the survey will take approximately 45 minutes to complete and is administered during class time. The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of July. Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

SAFETY

Please ensure drop off and pick up of students is in a safe parking spot and use the crossings around the school to cross roads. Please also **do not** turn right into the kiss and drop zone. It causes congestion, is unsafe and illegal. The safety of our community is the highest priority for Findon, and the school requires cooperation from all families to ensure this safety.

CHILD SAFE STANDARDS

In 2012, the Victorian Government initiated an inquiry into the handling of child abuse allegations within religious and other non-government agencies. The inquiry's final report 'Betrayal of Trust', made a number of recommendations that have been acted on by the Victorian government. The introduction of Child Safe Standards across all schools, form part of the Victorian Government's response to the recommendations of the Betrayal of Trust Report, which found that more must be done to prevent and respond to child abuse. 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 the compulsory Child Safe Standards.

The 7 Child Safe Standards that have been implemented are:

1. Strategies to embed a culture of child safety, through effective leadership measures
2. A Child Safe Policy
3. A Code of Conduct establishing clear expectations for appropriate behaviour with children
4. Screening, supervision, training and other resource practices that reduce the risk of child abuse by new and existing personnel
5. Processes for responding to and reporting suspected child abuse
6. Strategies to identify and reduce or remove risks of child abuse
7. Strategies to promote the participation and empowerment of children.

Our Child Safe Policy can be found on our Findon website, for your information.

FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS FOR 2023 – Showcase evening

We are continuing to take Foundation enrolments for 2023. 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. Enrolment forms are also online. Please contact the school to book an appointment for one of our highly valued school tours and join us for our Foundation Showcase Evening



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2023 Foundation Showcase Evening

Monday 23rd May

5:00-6:30pm

Enter via the front gate on
Cuthbert Drive



Please scan the QR
code to register:



PHONE: 9404 1362

EMAIL: findon.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Enjoy the fortnight ahead.

Kind regards,

Linda

Term 2 Class Leaders

F1CM	Peter	Liam
F1MC	Priyana	Annabel
F1FH	Wayne	Noah
2NH	Nikhitaa	Harry
2DF	Haris	Phoenix
34NA	Pagan	Shamus
34MZ	Lili	Romeo
34ND	Ava	Malena
34SJ	Austin	Lincoln
34MM	Lachlan	Mia
56EW	Benard	Radin
56AS	Aria	Brena
56KT	Harmony	Declan
56CM	Max	Charlotte
56EB	Ruby	Reed

STUDENT OF THE WEEK - Teachers Choice

F1CM	Lucy	For being a great friend to everyone and doing your best to include others in classroom activities and outside in the playground.	Care and Compassion
F1MC	Levi	For always working hard to achieve his best! Keep it up, Levi!	Doing Your Best
F1FH	Adrien	for trying really hard to listen respectfully in our Mad About Science incursion on Light and Sound and recording his ideas the best that he could	Doing Your Best
2NH	Claudia	for trying her best in both reading and writing and taking on feedback. You have made amazing progress. Well done!	Doing Your Best
2DF	Frankie	You have been trying your best with your persuasive writing, coming up with imaginative ideas. You also demonstrate a positive attitude to all areas of learning.	Doing Your Best
34NA	Aniya	For working really hard with your narrative piece and using feedback to improve your writing. Well done Aniya.	Doing Your Best
34ND	Verria	by trying her best with listening to feedback to improve her skills as a writer. Keep it up!	Doing Your Best
34SJ	Alex	For always showing responsibility within the class by being prepared and taking control of his learning	Responsibility
34MM	Emma	for consistently completing tasks to the best of her ability. Keep up the great work Emma!	Doing Your Best
56EW	Dev	For always making the most of his learning opportunities, especially on our excursion this week. Awesome work!	Responsibility
56CM	Connor	For making an effort to contribute his ideas in classroom discussions and working well independently. Keep it up Connor!	Doing Your Best
56EB	Ethan	For putting in 100% effort in all his work, especially reading and writing tasks. Well done Ethan.	Doing your Best
PE	Lucy	Always showing respect towards her fellow classmates and teachers	Respect
VA	Mia 3/4MM	For showing respect for herself, her artwork and others during Visual Art sessions. Keep shining Mia!	Respect
IND	Cooper 2NH	For doing your best in your sentence writing and not being distracted and staying on task	Doing your Best
KK	Ava 2ND	Doing everything you do with integrity, intelligence, kindness and enthusiasm. You are a star!	Respect
KB	Angel 2ND	For demonstrating great gardening skills and being a good partner. Keep it up!	Doing your Best

Interschool Sports

Hello Findon Community

This Friday we start our Term 2 interschool sports and all parents can come and watch which we are so excited about.

So if your child is involved in:

Soccer and AFL will be held at Findon reserve

Lawn Bowls and Tee Ball will be held at the school

If you'd like to be at the venues at 9am we would love your support

Thank you very much

Steve Clogstoun

Findon PS PE Co-Ordinator



Enrolments open for
3 & 4 Year Old Programs
2022 & 2023

Contact us on 9465 8835 to arrange a visit



All Kindergarten applications MUST be done through City of Whittlesea-Central Enrolment

Visit: <https://kindergarten.whittlesea.vic.gov.au/>

TELL US WHAT
YOU THINK



VICTORIA POLICE



Participate in the
Annual Victoria Police
Community Sentiment
Survey - 2022

As part of our commitment to Neighbourhood Policing, Victoria Police is seeking information about the community's safety concerns, engagement preferences, and experiences of police in local areas.



Or visit: engage.vic.gov.au/annual-vicpol-community-sentiment-survey-2022

If you are keen to know more about Neighbourhood Policing, speak to a member at your local police station or visit police.vic.gov.au