Welcome to Week 10 of Term 1, 2013. I hope everyone enjoyed their Easter break. Only nine more days of school before the end of term. No doubt they will be very busy days as we complete end of term assessments and prepare for the NAPLAN testing that will take place in Week 3 next term.

YEAR SIX LEADERSHIP DAY
By all accounts our Year 6 students enjoyed their leadership day last Tuesday. I have spoken to several of the staff involved and they were very impressed with the attitude and enthusiasm shown by our students. It is great to see, once again, such huge leadership potential evident in our Year 6 students. The Leadership Team will now sit down and identify a project that they can work on, throughout the year, for our school and their peers. Last year’s chook shed and vegetable garden project has been a real hit with many students making use of this initiative at recess and lunch times. In our Stage 3 meeting last week the teachers had a few ideas and we will be sure to let our school community know what exciting and innovative project will be undertaken, in the next few weeks.

SERVER UPGRADE
The ET4L server upgrade is now complete. Mr Haley, Miss Edwards and Miss Strano spent Monday afternoon in Berrigan undergoing training on the new system. Hopefully we will see even more use of the technology available to our students across the whole day. The server appears to be working quite well.

WESTERN RIVERINA DISTRICT AFL
Congratulations to the boys who attended the Western Riverina District AFL trials on Thursday. Their application, willingness to listen and their team work was a credit to them. The Finley and Districts team went through the day undefeated and had eight players selected over all. The FPS boys selected were Dylan Sibraa, Zec Cuppens, Ben Ashley-Cooper, Jai Taylor and Corey Laver. This is a great effort by the boys and certainly shows the talent that Mr Haley has at his disposal this year!

P&C AGM
Our P&C AGM was held on Monday, last week. Congratulations to Tanya Clarke who was returned as president, Tracie Doohan as vice president, Jodie Lee who is the new secretary and Sharon McLean who is the treasurer. The canteen treasurer's position will now be filled by an accredited book keeper. This is certainly a sign of the times with super, long service leave and a variety of other fiscal intricacies making the position trickier by the year. A huge thank you to all of those parents and carers who made the effort to attend the meeting. Your time is very much appreciated.

ASPIRE ME DRAMA CAMP
Seven of our Year 5 and 6 students will be attending the Oaklands Drama Camp this week. Nominations were made by classroom teachers and submitted to a district panel. All seven of our nominations were accepted. The kids head over to Oaklands by bus on Thursday morning and will be picked up by parents
or carers on Friday afternoon after performing a live show that will be developed over the two days.

**Canteen Renovation Sale**

After our canteen renovation we have a couple of items for sale. The old stove/oven is available for any offers over $50. It was working when the refurbishment began so we assume that it is still in sound condition. There are also the two near new roller doors that pulled down over the servery. They are about five feet across and Ken thinks that they have a drop of about six feet. Any offers will be considered. The proceeds will go directly to our P&C fundraising account.

**Annual School Report**

Our 2012 Annual School Report and Three Year School Plan (2012-2014) are now complete. They were driven by the surveys we conducted last year and the two planning documents for this year that have previously been included in the newsletter. Both documents will be presented at the next P&C for any feedback.

**State Swimming Carnival, Sydney**

Zec Cuppens is competing on a state level today and Ben Ashley-Cooper will swim on Wednesday. Good luck, boys. We are very proud of you.

**ANZAC Day**

Finally a note for your calendar. Once again our school will be marching on ANZAC Day, 25 April. We assemble at True Fruits from 10:00am and march, as a school, down to Memorial Park for the ceremony. Full school uniform is required. We are always very proud of the number of students we have who are willing to represent our school on this very special day and we hope to see lots of you there.

Have a great week.

Todd Potter
Principal

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**FPS Website**

The DEC IT department has informed us that they are experiencing difficulties with our school website at the moment. Please accept our apologies if the site is not completely up to date but we will keep trying!
COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Tocumwal Event**

This Tocumwal event involves two distances, a 4km walk or 8km run. Alternatively, you can come along and support all walkers and runners and join in the entertainment and activity taking place around the course.

**Where:** Tocumwal Recreation Reserve Football Oval

**When:** Sunday 12 May 2013

- Registrations on the day start from 9.00am
- Walk and run start at 10.00am

*Online registrations - opening late March*

- Adults - $20
- Students/Health card holders - $12
- Child - $10
- Family (2 adults & up to 4 children) - $30

The circuit track follows the foreshore track along the picturesque banks of the Murray River. The 8km course crosses the river into the State Park, making it an interstate event!

- Prizes for event winners, spot prizes for participation and for those dressed in PINK for Breast Cancer
- Entertainment, activities and BBQ available throughout the day
- Please note dogs are not allowed at this event

For more information contact Anita Hunter on 0419 550096.

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**Finley Auskick Registration**

**When:** Friday 5 April

**Time:** 4:00pm-5:00pm

**Where:** Finley Rec Reserve

**Cost:** $60 per child

For further information please call Rodger or Sarah on 0409 633745 or 5883 1060

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**Finley Netta Registrations**

**When:** Friday 5 April

**Time:** From 3:30pm

**Where:** Finley Netball Courts

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**Does Cobram need a cinema?**

Cobram Youth Group wants to know! A Facebook page has been set up and petitions are available to be signed at the Finley IGA and The Teapot Café. Show your support and let us know what you think.

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**Finley Farmers’ Market**

**Day:** Saturday 6 April 8:00-12:00

**Location:** Finley Lake Foreshore

New stalls, home baked goodies, bread, great coffee, Devonshire teas, fresh local fruit & veg, free range eggs, honey, citrus, beef & lamb, preserves, handmade jewellery and much more.
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FANTASTIC SAN DIastic

Make beautiful pictures with coloured sands @ 10.30 am

Barooga Library - Wed. 3rd & 10th April
Finley Library - Wed 17th & 24th April
Tocumwal & Berrigan Library - Tues 16th & 23rd April.

- Register your interest @ your local library
Uniform Selling Day - Beat the Price-Rise on Current Stock on Hand!

Anzac Day is around the corner and Winter as well!

Long Sleeved Polos, Tracksuit Pants, Bomber Jackets, Woollen Jumpers & Brown Sweaters

The Uniform Shop will be open Thursday, 4th April, & Tuesday, 9th April, from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm.

Come to the school - (Since the Canteen renovation, Uniforms have been stored next to the Kindergarten rooms) - to see what is available and check out sizing for your children, make your orders, or buy on the day if your required size is in stock AT THE CURRENT PRICE.

We have placed additional uniform orders, however, they will not arrive until approximately Term 2, Week 2.

ALL PRICES ON ALL GARMENTS WILL GO UP IN TERM 2

Sadly, there has been significant price rises over the past 2 years, that the P & C can no longer absorb – particularly on Woollen Jumpers.

Please support our school and the P & C Committee, and keep your children smartly dressed and warm for Anzac Day, with our cosy winter gear.

Cheques or cash on the day, to take your orders, would be great.
FINLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL
UNIFORM ORDER

NAME: ________________________________
PHONE: ______________________________

- Please return order to Canteen.
Order to be: ☐ collected from Canteen
☐ child to take home.

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- Please note that all Polo Shirts and Jackets have the School Emblem printed on them.
- School trousers, shorts and sport shorts are available at Murray Hut Clothing.
- Cash or cheque (made out to Finley Public School P & C) must be presented with every order please.
- For details and information please contact Jacqui O’Bryan 58 823192 or contact the Canteen.
Thank you to everyone who dressed up and a big thanks to everyone who donated chocolates for the raffle!