Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome to Week 5

I hope that everyone had a wonderful weekend.

**Book Fair**

This week sees our annual Book Fair. The Library will be a hive of activity throughout the week! Mrs Almond has a range of beautiful books available for students, parents or family to purchase during Lunch-time and after school from Monday to Thursday. As part of the Book Fair we will hold our annual Book Character Parade on Thursday after lunch. Students can come to school on Thursday dressed as a favourite character from a book. There will be prizes for the best dressed from each class.

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### Calendar – What’s On?

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District Athletics Carnival

On Friday we are hosting the District Athletics Carnival. We have several students competing in track and field events on Friday and wish them all the best for their events. Due to the number of students attending the carnival there will be no Whole School Assembly this week.

District Public Speaking

On Sunday, Larshya will be competing in the District final of the Lions Club Public Speaking Competition. It is an excellent achievement for Larshya to reach this stage of competition. We wish her good luck as she competes against finalists from surrounding districts.

Finley Bowling Club End of the Month Friday Raffle

The Finley Bowling Club will again generously donate the proceeds of the August ‘End of the Month’ Friday raffle. The Bowling Club has supported not only our school, but also many organisations in town, over the last few years with this wonderful initiative. We are asking our families to please donate items that can be used to create prize packs. There is more information about this included in this newsletter. Please send any donations into the office by Wednesday 26th August.

Performance

Classes are busy now preparing for our biennial School Performance. This year we will be presenting a play called Cinderella & Rockerfella. Students are in the process of auditioning for parts in the play and each class will be presenting a musical item. To avoid any clashes with other planned or regular events that occur for families at the end of this term, our Performance will be presented on Thursday 29th October, times and venues TBA. The Performance team will be asking for parents to help with costuming and creating props and backdrops for the play. They will be holding an information meeting on August 17th at 7pm about how you can help.

Reminders

Just a couple of reminders that we would like your assistance with please. If students are bringing iPods, phones or other electronic items to school our current policy is that these are to be left at the office when students arrive at school and picked up at home-time. This helps to ensure the safety of your child’s belongings rather than having them sit in their school bag and risk damage or loss.

During the last few weeks staff have had to speak to children who have been playing in the school grounds after school hours or on the weekend. We ask that you please support us by ensuring your children understand that they are not permitted to come and play on or with equipment at school outside of school hours.

I hope everyone has a wonderful week.

Regards
Amanda Lyons (Relieving Principal).
Canteen News

Volunteers
Volunteers are needed from 10am til 2pm

Mon 10th Aug    Sara Macleod
Wed 12th Aug    Jody John
Fri 14th Aug    Marcia Pyle
                   Renee Burke

A reminder to parents/carer to check that when students are writing out their own lunch orders, please make sure they are written neatly and clearly with class, name, lunch and price, thankyou.

The new menu has been sent home, if you didn’t receive one there are copies at the front office.

Meal Deal Wednesday 5th August
Sausage Roll
Jelly Cup
Flavoured Milk
$5.50

Major Merit Awards

Science Awards

Library Awards

MKG Awards

Playground Awards
Amy V, Jack O, Charlotte R, James M, Suna S.
Happy Birthday

Shannae T  11th August
Jasmine B  15th August
Sienna B  15th August

Book Fair and Parade

The Book Fair is here again. It will start Monday 10th August, Week 5. Mrs Almond will be selling books at lunchtime on Monday 10th until 4pm, Tuesday 11th at lunchtime, and Thursday from 11.30am-4pm. We encourage parents/carers to come and have a look at the books at these times. Thursday we will hold our Book Character Parade from 2pm -3pm. Please come dressed as your favourite book character and be in the running to receive a $10 voucher for the best dressed in each class.

Stage 3 Excursion Reminder

Just a friendly reminder that deposits are overdue. To secure our bookings all payments will need to be finalised before 12th August. Your child’s deposit must be paid in order to confirm their place on the excursion.
Stage 3 Team.

MKG News

The Kitchen Garden would appreciate donations of exterior paint. Left over or new cans or tins of paint would be greatly appreciated for painting pallets and decorations for the garden.

A big thank you to Joey, Jaxson and Stevie Bateman for building and delivering our new garden arch and bench seat for the garden.

PSSA District Athletics Carnival

The District Carnival is on this Friday the 14th August. We would greatly appreciate parents/carers who could assist in helping on the day. Thankyou.
School Football Raffle

School Football Jumpers
The school is holding a raffle to raise money for the purchase of a new set of school football jumpers, which will be used by our girls and boys students for many years to come. The prize is a **Richmond jumper signed by Tigers captain Trent Cotchin**! The jumper was kindly donated by AFL NSW/ACT. Tickets can be purchased at the office for $2 each or 3 for $5. Tickets will also be sold at FFNC training sessions on Thursday nights for the next couple of weeks. The raffle will be drawn at our whole school assembly on Friday the 18th of September.

School Banking

Nearly record banking numbers last week. Fantastic job everyone.

Lots of rewards last week, with a lot more this week. Great to see some students getting their first certificate and reward. We have our first gold certificate coming up this week. That's 30 bankings. Great effort.

Thanks
Debbie
Woolworths Earn & Learn
This year we are participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school. We are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Woolworths sticker sheets are available at the checkout when you shop at one of their stores. Please place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto the Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at Cobram Woolworths.

Community Announcements

Finley Cricket Club
Finley Cricket Club are looking for boys and girls interested in playing cricket this coming season, commencing in October. The club requires names now so that the appropriate teams can be entered into the MVCA Competition. Please contact Terri-Lea Anderson on 0418 503259 or Russell Stockdale on 0457 404522.
Finley Bowling Club
End of Month Raffles

The Finley Bowling Club's August 'End of Month Raffle' is set to benefit Finley Public School. At these monthly raffles, the Bowling Club donates 100% of the proceeds of the raffle to local schools, clubs and charities and identified causes. Over the last 3 years Finley Public School has received over $3000 in donations!

As part of the raffle, the recipients of the proceeds are asked to organise prizes to add to the regular meat and vegie trays and voucher prizes that the Bowling Club raffles each Friday.

We are asking our families for donations of suitable items that could be used as prizes. These could include vouchers, lollies, home cooking, a bottle of wine, children's toys, scented candles, crockery, chocolates, hand creams, bathroom accessories etc. that can be used to make prize packs. All donations will be very gratefully appreciated.

Can you please send your donations into the office by Wednesday 26th August, to allow us time to put the prize packs together.

The Bowling Club will have meals available from 6pm on August 28th. It would be great to see lots of families at the Bowling Club on this night, to support both our school and the Finley Bowling Club.

If you have any questions please contact Amanda Lyons.
It’s Performance time!

In Term 4, we will be performing the play

Cinderella & Rock ersella

This year’s performance is different to how we have previously displayed the amazing talent from Finley Public School. Cinderella and Rockersella is a play. Students from 6/5 have been trying out for the cast and 4/3 will have an opportunity to also try out this week. Each class will be responsible for a song that is directly linked to the play. Some classes will be singing, others dancing.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

On Monday 17th August, we will be holding a short parent meeting at 7pm in Mrs Umback/ Mrs Rourke’s room. We are seeking assistance with costume making, set and prop design as well as back drop painting. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would love to help, please contact the front office.

We can’t wait to display the amazing talent we have here at Finley public School!