

## FINGAL HEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL



### Dates to remember...

#### Senior Chess

- Monday for 3/4/5/6

#### Library Borrowing

- Monday-K/1/2
- Tuesday-2/3/4 and 5/6

#### Jenny's Piano students

- Wednesday

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#### High School Expression of Interest forms due—Year 7 2019

- Tuesday, 19 March

#### Life Education Visit

- Monday, 1 April

#### School Photos

- Tuesday, 2 April

#### Easter Hat Parade

Thursday, 11 April

#### Amazing Race to Happy day

- Friday, 12 April

#### Last Day of Term 1

- Friday, 12 April

#### TERM 2...

#### First Day of Term 2 for Students

- Tuesday, 30 April

#### FHPS Cross Country (whole school)

- Friday, 3 May

### PB4L Award

#### Congratulations Charli!

Charli received her Bronze Award at last weeks school assembly.

### Our School P & C

Thank you to our parents who nominated for P & C Executive positions at our AGM last Wednesday.

Presidents – Sheree and Mandy

Vice President - Fran

Secretary— Crystal

Treasurer— Shan

Our next P & C meeting is on Wednesday, 8 May. Please come along, and help support the school! No contribution is too small!

### Year 7, 2020..High School Expression of Interest

Our Years 6 students have been given their Expression of Interest Form for moving into Year 7 in 2020.

**Could parents please complete and return these forms to the school tomorrow if you have not already done so.**

### 4/5/6 Class Project

As part of our science unit on Earth and it's surroundings, the students will be working on a model of the solar system.

A couple of suggestions are: dioramas or mobiles. The students will be making their own decisions on how they will present their model.

In order to put these models together, the students will need to bring in items from home that they can use.

Some ideas are :

- foam balls or other balls (tennis ball, mar-

bles etc.various sizes)

- Wool or string
- Box or shoe box

The students have spent time planning and will have an idea of what they need. They will be given plenty of opportunities in class to complete this model, so no work needs to be done at home.

Thank you for your support.

### Life Education Visit

The Life Education unit will visit the school on Monday, 1 April. This program aims to positively promote a healthy lifestyle by observing how the body works, and in doing so foster in children a wonder for the workings of their own body. Each class will participate in age appropriate sessions.

The cost of the visit is \$10 per child.

**Please fill in the attached consent form and return with your payment prior to Friday, 29 March. Thank you.**

### Cross Country Training

The children will begin Cross Country training over the coming weeks. This will be in preparation for our School Carnival which will be held on Friday, 3 May at Marine Parade Park, Fingal Beachfront.

Students will need to wear suitable jogging shoes for both training and the Cross Country day.

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### The Cross Country Distances are as follows:

- 5-7 Years – 800m
- 8-9 Years – 2km
- 10 Years – 2 km
- 11 Years – 3km
- 12-13 Years—3km

**Please note:** The age group the children will be running in relates to the age they will turn this year.

### Trivia Night.....

**Time to book your table or seat** for our major fundraiser for the year. Our Trivia Night..... to be held at the school on Saturday, 18 May.

*The Theme of the night is "Musos", for all the aspiring musicians and groupies!*

This is our Major fundraiser for the year so, please mark this date on your calendar and start inviting friends to make up a table.

We will need prizes and vouchers for the nights activities. If you can help in anyway that would be fantastic!

Please call the school and we can organise a letter of introduction to help you approach businesses.

Thank you.

### Violin & Cello Lessons—Expression of Interest

Barry Singh, accomplished violinist and conductor is seeking expressions of interest for violin and cello lessons, to be held at the school or privately.

Please see the attached information, complete and return the attached form to the school to register your interest.

### Reminders.....

#### Stewart House High Bounce Balls

We have High Bounce Handballs available for purchase from the office.

The High Bounce Handballs are \$3.00 each, The much needed funds from the purchase of these balls, goes directly to Stewart House.

#### Story Dog

The Story Dog Program is a reading program for the junior children. Our Story Dog, Kya and her handler Meg will be coming to the school each week for a 2 hour session.

The children involved in the program have received a consent form to be completed and returned to the school prior to their participation in the program. Children without signed consent **WILL NOT** be included in the program. This is Story Dog requirements.

If you do not receive a form and would like your child included in the program please contact the school.

#### School Website

A reminder....to check our school website for updates. You will find our weekly Newsletter on this also.

Occasionally photographs are taken of individual students or classes and may be included on our School Website. If you DO NOT wish your child's photo to appear on the Website please notify the school.

#### Work books

Our student work book order has been placed and in some cases received. The children will receive either subject books and/or booklet/worksheets throughout the year depending on their class and level. The cost will be \$30 in total.

Please reimburse the school for the cost of these work books as soon as possible.

#### General School Contribution

(Voluntary School Fees)

The School Fees for 2019 school year for Years Kindergarten to 6 has been set at \$40 for the first child, \$40 for the second and \$35 for the third child.

#### Kibera Education Sponsorship

Milan and Shylee are selling ice blocks to raise funds for Irene's 2020 fees. The students can purchase Quelch Fruit Juice Ice blocks for \$1.00 at lunch time each day.

#### Friday Breakfast

All students and families are invited to breakfast at the school each Friday morning from 8.15am to 8.50am.

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*Many thanks John for organising the Friday breakfasts once again this year!*

### School Travel

Applications for 2019 school travel are now open via [www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students)

A new application is required if you are applying for a travel pass for the first time; enrolling in Kindergarten or requesting an additional entitlement as a result of a shared parental responsibility situation.

An Updated application is required if the student has a current school travel pass and is progressing from Year 2 to year 3 or Year 6 to Year 7. It is also required if you change address or school.

### Certificate of Exemption from Attendance at School

The Department implemented a new policy in 2008 regarding student's exemption from attendance for periods in excess of 10 days.

Parent can apply for an exemption from attendance at school or the child under the following conditions.

- ◆ Domestic Necessary
- ◆ Health of a Child

Forms are available from the school. An exemption should be applied for prior to leave of absence. If this is not possible an application must be completed on return.

### Working with Children Check

We greatly value our parent and community volunteers who assist with classroom activities, fundraising events and transporting children to sports carnivals etc.

To ensure a safe environment for the children we require our volunteers to apply for a Working with Children Check and present the school with their clearance number.

A Working with Children Check is a prerequisite for anyone in paid or voluntary child-related work in NSW.

Previously, school volunteers were required to complete multiple forms and present 100 points identification to the school. This process has now been simplified.

Fill in an online application form, at [www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/check](http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/check)

When you have completed the application form, you will receive an Application number (APP) by email.

Take this application number and proof of identity (drivers licence) to the NSW Motor registry. If you are helping at school on a volunteer basis there is no fee to pay.

Once approved you will receive a Working with Children Check number (WWC) by email or post.

Please present this certificate (WWC) to the school for registration with the NSW Education Department.

There is a brochure attached to this Newsletter for further information. Thank you.

### Online Payments

Parents can make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard, credit or debit card, and can be made via computer, tablet or mobile phone.

The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting [\\$ Make a payment](#).

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities. There is also a category called 'Other' this to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the [\\$ Make a payment](#) you must enter:

- ◆ the students name, and class and reference number

OR

- ◆ the students name, and date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. **There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields OR there is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number these are not used at our school, please leave blank.**

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are

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not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.

### Term Dates and Staff Development Days

The last day of Term 1 will be 12 April for students and staff.

Staff Development Days—The first day of Term for Terms 2, and 3 and the last 2 days of Term 4. Students do not attend school on Staff Development Days.

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## P & C Meeting

**Our next P & C will be held at the school on Wednesday, 8 May.**

P & C meetings are held at the school on the second Wednesday of each month at 3.00pm. (2 meetings per Term).

We must have 5 members attending each meeting for the quorum or it is not a legal meeting, so please attend even if you can only make the occasional meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend our P & C meetings. There is a yearly \$1.00 membership fee.

### Items for P & C Agenda

Name \_\_\_\_\_

I would like the following item/s included on the Agenda for the P & C Meeting to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ at the school.

Agenda items/s \_\_\_\_\_

(Please submit Monday morning prior to Wednesday's P & C Meeting)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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### Life Education Visit

I give permission for my child/children \_\_\_\_\_ to attend Life Education on Monday, 1 April 2019.

I understand that the sessions will be held at school at a cost of \$10 per child.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_.

Parent/Carer

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### Violin & Cello Lessons—Expression of Interest

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a violin or cello to practice on? YES/NO

Have you had violin or cello lessons before? YES/NO

If so, for how long and to what level? \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name of parent/carers \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

I would like my child to learn Violin or Cello. YES/NO

Or I would like more information. YES/NO

## General Permission Note 2019–2025

Please complete, date and sign these permission notes to enable your child/children to participate in the following activities throughout 2019-2025.

I give permission for my child/children \_\_\_\_\_ to  
(First Name/s) (Last Name)

- ◆ Participate in school activities supervised by staff, in an area in close proximity to the school grounds but beyond the normal confines of the school enclosure.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent/Guardian signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

- ◆ Be named, photographed or filmed for publication in the School Newsletter, Local Media, School or DE Website or social media. (Please cross/delete any media you do not want your child's name or photograph to be seen on.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent/Guardian signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

- ◆ Use the Internet under teacher supervision for activities with their own username and password, that is set by the Department of Education.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent/Guardian signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

- ◆ Watch PG rated Movies that have been carefully assessed by staff for suitability for student viewing.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent/Guardian signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

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## FINGAL HEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL – SUSHI ORDER

Order for Monday, 25 March February.

**Form & payment to be returned to school by Friday, 22 March.**

Please enter the amount of sushi's you would like in the box next to the sushi & complete the details below

**\$2.50 per roll**

Chicken Teriyaki Roll

Chicken & Avocado Roll

Tuna Roll G/F

Tuna & Avocado Roll G/F

Salmon & Avocado Roll G/F

Avocado Roll G/F

Popper **\$1 per popper**

Name of Child: --

Amount Enclosed (CASH ONLY):--