

## FINGAL HEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL



### Dates to remember...

#### Religious Education

- ♦ Tuesday, 11.30am

#### Piano & Guitar/Ukulele

- ♦ Wednesday

#### Story Dog Prog.—Meg and Kyah

- ♦ Wednesday

#### Chess Yrs. 3-6 students

- ♦ Wednesday afternoons

#### Library borrowing

- ♦ Friday  
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#### Intensive Swim Program commences .Yrs. K,1,2

- ♦ 12,19, 26 March

#### Athletics Program .Yrs. 3,4,5,6

- ♦ 13, 20 March

#### P & C Annual General Meeting

- ♦ Wednesday, 11 March

#### Ride to School Day

- ♦ Friday, 13 March

#### Harmony Day

- ♦ Friday, 20 March

#### Quest Leadership Training

##### Yrs. 5 & 6

- ♦ Thursday, 26 March

#### Trivia Night

- ♦ Saturday, 28 March

#### S6 Family Fun Day

- ♦ Tuesday, 31 March

#### Easter Hat Parade

- ♦ Thursday, 9 April

#### Last Day of Term 1

- ♦ Thursday, 9 April

#### TERM 2.....

#### Students commence Term 2

- ♦ Tuesday, 28 April

#### FHPS Cross Country

- ♦ Friday, 1 May

#### District Cross Country

- ♦ Thursday, 7 May

### North Coast Swimming Championships

*Congratulations to Cai, Milan, Asia and Israel!*

They competed as members of the Small Schools Swimming Team at the North Coast Championships held at Coffs Harbour last Wednesday.

*They had a fantastic day placing 7th in the PP5 Relay and exceeding their personal best time. The team have decided they will continue to train this year in preparation for next year's competition.*

*Great representation and sportsmanship...well done!*

### Clean up Day.....Thank you

Thank you to Kay from Fingal Coast Care for helping the children with the Clean Up Australia Day activities. *Your support is very much appreciated!*



### AGM and General P & C Meeting

A reminder that our P & C Annual General Meeting will be held at the school this **Wednesday 11 March at 3.00pm.**

We must have a quorum of at least 5 for these meetings.

Everyone is welcome to attend our P & C meetings. So please come along and support your school and share ideas. *No contribution is too small!*

### National Ride2School Day

This Friday, 13 March is National Ride2School Day. Students are invited to ride their bike, scooter or skateboard to school on this day.

The Ride2School Programs encourages safe and active travel, including wearing a properly fitted helmet, regular bike, scooter and skateboard maintenance, ensuring young children are supervised when riding and selecting the shortest safest route.

### Homework Yrs. 3,4,5 & 6

Dear Parents/Carers of students in years 3-6,

Last week I sent home each student's logon for homework hound. This is an online program we are using this year for homework. It is not compulsory.

We are also using studyladder in some of our rotations and the students are able to access this also at home. The rules with studyladder are changing over the next few weeks which requires parents to set up a free account if they wish for their children to use studyladder at home. Studyladder is not compulsory either – just another educational online option.

Please see the letter attached if you want your child to use studyladder at home. They will still be able to access it at school.

Another online tool we are utilising this year is OneNote. Students have only just started to use this in the classroom.

If you have any questions about the online tools we are using, please feel free to contact the school to organise a chat with me.

Many thanks, Ms Dawson

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## Cross Country Training

The children will commence Cross Country training next week in preparation for our School Carnival to be held on Friday, 1 May at Marine Parade Park, Fingal Beachfront.

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

## Murwillumbah Festival of Performing Arts.....Speech and Drama

The Murwillumbah Festival of Performing Arts (Speech and Drama section only) will be held at Murwillumbah Civic Centre from Friday, 19 June to Wednesday, 24 June.

If you would like your child to enter the competition please call the school and we will send home entry forms. Entry forms **MUST** be completed and return to the school prior to **15 March**. We will only be entering children in the Speech and Drama sections so please disregard any additional information on the forms that does not relate to Speech and Drama.

**You will need to provide your child's transport to and from the Murwillumbah Civic Centre and supervision for the appropriate days.**

We would like parents to assist their child in choosing a suitable poem/prose for the competition. This does not have to be finalised by the 15 March but the entry form must be in. If you are having difficulties finding a suitable poem as it nears the competition, we can help with some suggestions.

We will listen to the children's poems and give some suggestions as it nears the competition date, but primarily it is parents responsibility to prepare their child for the competition.

If you require further information please contact the school. **Please note:** Late entries cannot be accepted as they must reach the convenor by the closing date. Thank you.

## Harmony Day

We will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday, 20 March. Harmony Day is about sharing our cultural heritage and promoting inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

The children can dress or decorate themselves in orange on this day as this is the colour for Harmony Day.

## S6 Family Fun Day—All Welcome!

On Tuesday, 31 March our S6 schools will be coming together for a Family Fun Day.

The aim of the day is to raise funds for our Adopt-A-School partner school—Bemboka Public School. (For more information see the attached flyer)

### Details:

9.15 am	Leave from Fingal PS
10.00am	Arrive at Burringbar PS
1.15pm	Leave from Burringbar PS
2.00pm	Arrive at Fingal PS

Cost: \$10 per person or \$15 per family (Sausage sizzle included)

Drinks and other items will be available for purchase on the day.

We will require parents/carers to transport children on the day.

Please complete the attached consent form and return with payment to the school by Friday, 20 March.

## Easter Hat Parade

The children will be having an Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 9 April at 11.30am. Parents are invited to come along to the parade and view the fabulous hats!

We would like all students to bring to school a cardboard hat (already made and sized for their head) that they can decorate in class. The cardboard hat can take the form of a band, crown, bunny ears, cone, thick paper plate.....they can use their imagination.

They will need to bring some craft materials for decorating their hat. If everyone brings a few items they can be combined and shared among their classmates, e.g. stickers, coloured paper, Easter pictures, streamers, ribbons, trinkets, feathers, cotton wool.

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As the children will be decorating their hats prior to the day, we would like all children to bring their hats and materials to school in a marked bag by Monday 6 April. .

### Reminders.....

#### Intensive Swimming—Years K,1,2

Our Intensive Swimming Program is each Thursday on the dates listed below:

**Venue** Casuarina Recreation Club  
**Dates** 12, 19, 26 March.  
**Leave School** 1.00pm  
**Swim Program** 1.30pm to 2.15pm  
**Leave to return to school** 2.20pm  
**Transport** Parents and Juraki Bus

**Bring/Wear**— Swimmers, Towel, Swim Cap, Sun-screen, Water Bottle -all in a small carry bag please.

**Many thanks to our parents** who have assisted with transport to and from the Casuarina Pools and to Mary and Joel for the use of the Juraki bus.

#### Sushi Lunch

Don't forget to put your Sushi order in this Thursday for next **Monday** . An order form is attached to this Newsletter. Please send in 1 order form per child with correct money.

Orders **MUST** be returned with payment to school by Thursday each week for your child to receive their order the following week.

#### Friday Breakfast

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

**Many thanks to John for cooking Breakfast each Friday!**

#### General School Contribution and Work Book fees

The Voluntary School Fees for 2020 school year for Years K to 6 has been set at \$40 for the first child, \$40 for the second and \$35 for the third child. These can be paid when convenient.

Student workbooks and IT programs fees are \$30 in total for the year. Please reimburse the school for the cost of student work books and IT program cost as soon as possible.

#### Late Arrivals and Early Departures

It is Department Policy that all students arriving late or leaving early **MUST** present at the office to be marked in the roll.

We have received a directive from the Department that absences such as sleeping in, traffic conditions etc. must be marked as unjustified in the roll. For other reasons such as sickness, family concerns and appointments, please present a note marked with the date and reason for lateness or early leaving.

If your child presents at the office without a parent or a note we must mark the absence as unjustified. Thank you.

#### Kibera Education Sponsorship

The students can purchase Quelch Fruit Juice Ice blocks for \$1.00 at lunch time each day. All Proceeds go towards Irene's school fees for 2020.

#### 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. To apply—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.

#### Term Dates and Staff Development Days

The last day of Term 1 will be Thursday, 9 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.

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Students do not attend school on Staff Development Days.

## *Fingal P & C*

Our next P & C Meeting will be held at the school on **Wednesday, 11 March at 3.00pm.**

This will be our **Annual General Meeting** and will be followed by a *General Meeting*.

We must have a quorum of at least 5 for these meetings. Everyone is welcome to attend our P & C meetings. So please come along and share your ideas. 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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### S6 Family Fun Day

I give my consent for my child/children \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the S6 Family Fun Day on Tuesday, 31 March at Burringbar Public School. I understand that transport will be by private vehicle and supervision by school staff.

I understand that there will be a cost of \$10 per individual or \$15 per family.

I will be transporting my child/children to and from Burringbar Public School.  
and

I can assist by transporting \_\_\_\_\_ additional children.

Or

I need assistance organising transport for my child/children.

<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Carer

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## FINGAL HEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL – SUSHI ORDER

**Order for Monday, 16 March**

**Form & payment to be returned to school by Thursday, 12 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

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Chicken & Avocado Roll

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Tuna Roll G/F

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Tuna & Avocado Roll G/F

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Salmon & Avocado Roll G/F

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Avocado Roll G/F

☐

Popper \$1 per popper

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Name of Child: --

Amount Enclosed (CASH ONLY):--