

## FINGAL HEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL



### Dates to remember...

#### Postponed activities—

- ♦ Religious Education
- ♦ Piano & Guitar
- ♦ Story Dog Program
- ♦ Friday Breakfast
- ♦ Chess program
- ♦ Monday Sushi orders and Friday Breakfast and Lunch Orders

#### Library borrowing

- ♦ Friday

#### Last Day of Term 2

- ♦ Friday, 3 July

#### TERM 3

#### First Day of Term 3 for Students

- ♦ Tuesday, 21 July

Dear parents

A short Newsletter once again this week....

Many thanks to everyone for understanding with distancing and keeping the children at home when they are sick or a little unwell.

A reminder that this Monday, 8 June is the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday.

### National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week

Last Friday the students participated in Art and Craft activities and wore colours in recognition of Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week.

They had a good day painting their canvas, making paperweights and enjoyed a Sausage Sizzle Lunch cooked by John. *Many thanks John!*

### Sporting School Program

Our Sporting Schools grant for this Term has been reduced due to contact sports restrictions. This resulted in an inability to run our usual Sporting Schools programs. We will use our small grant to purchase Tennis equipment for our students to practise their skills this Term.

When restrictions have been lifted we will once again apply to engage a Tennis Coach to run our in-school program for the students. This may not be until Term 4.

### 2021 Enrolments

If you know of any parents considering enrolling their children in 2021, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.

Out of Zone Enrolment Forms are available from the school and applications for next year will be considered by 18 September and parents contacted soon after.

Reminders.....

### 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.

### 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.

### School Travel

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

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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.

Parents 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 and a Certificate of Exemption is supplied on approval of leave. An exemption should be applied for prior to leave of absence. If this is not possible an application must be completed on return.

### 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 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 2 will be Friday, 3 July for students and staff.

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