

FINGAL HEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

Dates to remember...

Postponed activities until 2022

- ◆ Choir practice
- ◆ Religious Education
- ◆ Story Dog

Sushi Lunch

- ◆ Monday

Library borrowing

- ◆ Thursday

Breakfast at 8.30am

- ◆ Friday

ALL Term 4 activities are pending changes to COVID restrictions, and will be reviewed and adjusted if necessary.

Kindergarten Transition Day

- ◆ Wednesday, 1 December
9.00am–11.30am

Kindergarten Transition Day and Yrs 2 to 3 Transition

- ◆ Thursday, 2 December
9.00am–3.00pm

Kindergarten Transition Day and Yrs 2 to 3 Transition

- ◆ Friday, 3 December
9.00am - 3.00pm

Presentation Morning

- ◆ Wednesday, 8 December

Fitness Kidz

- ◆ Friday, 10 December

Year 6 Luncheon

- ◆ Tuesday, 14 December

Dear Parents

COVID 19 reminders.....

Please wear a mask when entering the school. If you are not able to wear a mask due to medical reasons, please present your exemption to school staff prior to entering the school. You can do this by telephoning the office and a staff member will meet you at the gate. You will only be required to present the exemption once and all staff will be notified.

Please also note that signing in with the QR Code, mask wearing and showing your double vaccination certificate are mandatory requirements upon entering all schools.

Presentation Morning

Our Presentation morning for the students will be held at the school on Wednesday, 8 December commencing at 9.30am and concluding at approximately 11.00am

Unfortunately, restrictions regarding numbers at school have not been lifted sufficiently for parents to be able to attend, but we will be streaming the Presentation morning live on Zoom.

Parents will be able to test their Zoom connection on Monday, 6 December to check for any problems prior to the Presentation day.

The Logon time, Session ID and Password will be included in the newsletters closer to the day.

Fitness Kidz Program

Our end of year party for the students will be held on Friday, 10 December.

Fitness Kidz are a mobile business that will bring their equipment to the school for a morning of fun for the children. Fitness Kidz have previously won The People's Choice for Australia's best kids party entertainer.

We will be choosing a program for the Fitness Kidz fun day. Some of the equipment we can choose from are a: giant parachute, giant inflatable ball activities, octopus tag, pre-filled water balloons for various games, super soaker fun, giant tug war



rope, hula hoops and 3 legged walking/racing.

Our proposed program for the day, depending on the weather:

- ◆ Fitness Kidz activities
- ◆ Barbeque Lunch provided
- ◆ Movie (G rating) TBC

The children can wear mufti dress on the day if they wish.

Things to bring/wear:

- ◆ A change of clothes or Swimmers and Rashie for water activities.
- ◆ Towel, Hat and Sunscreen
- ◆ Recess and Water Bottle

We will be cooking a barbeque lunch for the students. They can choose from a hamburger or sausage sandwich. An order form will be included in our next Newsletter.

There will be no charge for the day.

Year 6 Luncheon

On Tuesday 14 December at 12.30pm, Ms Dawson will be taking our Year 6 students for lunch at The Cubby Café by the river at Chinderah. Ms Dawson will drive the students to and from Chinderah and supervise them for the afternoon. The Year 6 farewell tunnel will be at school at 2.40pm on this day.

Year 6 students can wear casual sun safe clothes to school on this day if they wish.

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Year 2 Transition Day

Our Year 2 students will progress to Year 3 in the Senior class in 2022. To make their transition smooth they will be spending time in the Senior class on 2 and 3 December.

Kindergarten Transition Program

Our Kindergarten 2022 students are invited to participate in our Transition days on December 1, 2 and 3.

Transition Days:

Wednesday, 1 December 9.00am to 11.30am
Thursday, 2 December 9.00am to 3.00pm
Friday, 3 December 9.00am to 3.00pm

On Wednesday, 1 December at 9.00am our new Kinder parents are invited to a 'Meet and Greet' morning tea. Uniforms will be available to purchase or order at this time.

School Reports

The students will receive their reports Week 10, (the second last week of Term). If you would like to discuss any aspect of your child's report, please contact the school for an appointment time with your child's classroom teacher.

Outstanding Amounts

If you have outstanding amounts for workbooks and uniforms please send this into the school as soon as possible.. School fees are voluntary.

We would like to finalise all outstanding amounts as soon as possible. If your amount owing is substantial and you would like to make payments please contact the office to arrange a payment plan. Thank you.

2022 Enrolments

If you know of any parents considering enrolling their children in 2022, 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 upon application.

Reminders.....

Term 4 Sports

Our junior and senior classes will be participating in an in-school sports program each week using our vast range of sporting equipment we have just purchased from Rebel Sports with our Community Program points.

The teachers will coordinate and deliver the sports program each week. Many thanks Rebel sports.....

Sushi Lunch

If you would like to order the Sushi lunch for Monday, please complete and return your order and payment by this Thursday (See the attached order form or order via the School Stream App.)

Orders **MUST** be returned in an envelope with payment to school by Thursday.

Friday Breakfast

Don't forget breakfast this Friday at 8.30 am for our students. *Many thanks to our local sponsor for funding this program!*

Fingal Head PS Bumper Stickers

Our P & C have designed and are selling our Fingal Head Public School stickers. Stickers can be proudly placed on your car as a bumper sticker if you wish!

Bumper stickers can be purchased from the school by completing the attached order form and returning it to the school with payment.

Stickers are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00

School Website

A reminder to check our school website for updates. You will find our 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.

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.

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

◆ Domestic Necessary or 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.

School Travel

Applications for 2022 school travel are available via 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.

New bus passes will be mailed to the school within the 2 weeks of applying.

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 a category called 'Other' to cover items not covered in the previous headings.

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.

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 & Staff Development Days

The last day of Term 4 for students is Thursday, 16 December. Friday 17 December is a Staff Development day. Students do not attend school on these days.

Term 1, 2022

Our Years 1 to 6 students will commence Term 1 2022 on Tuesday, 1 February and our Kindergarten students on Wednesday, 2 February.

Friday, 28 and Monday 31 January are Staff Development Days. The office will be open if you require uniforms etc.

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A Message from the Commonwealth Bank.....

Student Banking update

For 90 years, our School Banking program has helped children learn about money, reinforced the importance of regular savings and provided structure for parents to support their children to save.

Though the program continues to have strong support from schools, parents and teachers, recent decisions by some state and territory governments because of a review by the corporate regulator mean we are unable to continue providing programs in schools, and we have had to make a difficult decision to close our School Banking program for all government and non-government schools across the country.

Our School Banking program was established in 1931 at a time when having a bank account was not commonplace, and since then we have helped more than 15 million Australians take their first financial steps. This would not have been possible without the wonderful support we have received from schools like yours, including all the parents and volunteers, and for this we are deeply grateful. Thank you.

Even though this is a sad time, School Banking has taught so many young Australians, past and present, the value of money and we believe this should be celebrated. We have created a place for you to share your stories, fondest memories and lessons learnt through the program. To share your story and access our financial education resources, please visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Even though the CommBank School Banking program will not be returning to your school after this year, you can continue to make deposits into your child's Youthsaver account through online transfers or at any CommBank branch. If you need further information please phone 132 221 or visit your local CommBank branch.

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Name _____

I would like to purchase _____ Fingal Head Public School Stickers.

I have enclosed \$_____ payment.



P & C News

Our next P & C meeting has been postponed, with a new date to later be confirmed pending COVID restrictions.

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 Tuesday morning prior to Wednesday's P & C Meeting)

Signed _____ Date _____

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FINGAL HEAD PUBLIC SCHOOL – SUSHI ORDER

Order for Monday, 22 November

Form & payment to be returned to school by Thursday, 18 November

Please enter the quantity of sushi 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):-- _____

