



# Finley Public School

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## School Calendar

### Key Dates – Week 10, Term 4 2021

<u><b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b></u>	Presentation Day – students only
<u><b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b></u>	Year 6 Farewell Lunch – students only
<u><b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b></u>	Class Fun Days
<u><b>No Canteen</b></u>	
<u><b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b></u>	Last Day for 2021
<u><b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b></u>	First Day of School 2022

## Principal's Report

### Beach to Bush 2021

IPlay was a little different last week with Mrs Rourke donning a lifeguard uniform to help spread the word on beach and inland water safety. Finley Public School participated in "Beach to Bush", a Royal Life Saving funded program that brings the beach into classrooms all across Regional NSW. Students zoomed into presentations that were held live from Curl Curl Beach and learnt about general beach safety, rips and waves, basic first aid, rescues and getting help from a lifeguard. In the classroom, students learnt about dangers and hazards when swimming in rivers, lakes, channels and dams as well as sun safety.

At the conclusion of the lessons, each student received a Beach to Bush sticker and names were randomly drawn out to receive sponsored prizes and giveaways from Surf Lifesaving NSW

## End of the Year Events

Unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions and Department of Education guidelines, there will be some changes to the way in which we usually run things. 2021 has been the year of flexibility for us all. It is certainly disappointing that we can't have our usual celebrations and we thank everyone for their ongoing patience and understanding as we navigate constantly changing restrictions. Our Presentation Day will be held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December and students will receive their awards in front of their peers at school. We will have a professional photographer at school to photograph major award winners. All students will attend the presentation ceremony without parents or visitors present. Parents will receive a letter to advise them if their child/children will be receiving an award at school this year.

A farewell lunch will be held at school for our Year 6 students next Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you to Miss Ackers and Mrs Taig for organising this special event for our students. We will have pizzas from Nikki's Tea Pot Café for lunch, as well as some other yummy goodies. We will have a professional photographer to take pictures of students and some other surprises planned. Unfortunately we haven't been able to organise our traditional Year 6 Farewell, but students will be able to celebrate together and commemorate their final year at school. A very big thank you goes to Bec Matheson from Bec's Laser Engraving for the very generous donation towards our Year 6 gift.

Class fun days will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December with some water fun activities, games and a movie afternoon planned. Again, we are disappointed that our usual plans have had to change, but we are thankful we can still have a chance to enjoy a fun day together before the end of the year!

### **School Hours**

A reminder that no children should be on the school site before 8:30am as there is no supervision available for them. The morning duty teacher comes out at 8.30am to take students out to the playground or supervise under the COLA. If students do arrive just before the bell, they need to sit down on the silver seats around the COLA while they wait for the duty teacher to arrive.

### **2022 School Organisation**

If your child is not returning to Finley Public School in 2022, could you please let our Front Office know as soon as possible? We are in the early stages of planning for 2022 classes and we need to have accurate student numbers to be able to do this. We will be sending out a form where parents can ask for special requests and considerations as we plan for the new school year. We do this at the end of every year, to ensure that we are able to gather as much information as possible before we form classes. We are unable to accommodate all requests, but do our best to incorporate as many requests as possible.

All parents are requested to fill in the Student Friendship Survey on Google Forms. This will assist us with planning for your child. You can fill in the survey here: <https://forms.gle/iGdmRjAb7JkFCLyVA>

### **Annual Parent Survey**

We are requesting that all parents fill in the Annual Parent Survey as part of our data gathering to evaluate our school performance. This information will be used to plan for 2022, as well as assess areas of strength and areas for improvement. You can fill in the survey here: <https://forms.gle/ApBU6ENHswomJCMbA>

### **Book Fair**

Thank you to all our students and families that have supported our Book Fair, we understand it is not the traditional way we like to run but, we hope that everyone was able to buy some books if they wished to. Thank you to Mrs King for creating our catalogue and organising orders.

### **Contacting School Staff**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding something happening at school, please speak to your child's teacher, the school executive (Mrs Taig) or Relieving Principal (Mrs Haynes).

We welcome all feedback, and work with families to work towards solutions in the best interests of our students. Please phone the Front Office on 03 5883 1135 to organise to speak with staff members. Please do not contact the parents of another child regarding school issues. The school and its staff are best equipped to work towards solutions when problems arise between students at school. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this matter.

### **Too Sick for School?**

If your child is too sick for school and they need to stay at home, please let us know by phoning our Front Office on 03 5883 1135 or by sending us an email: [finley-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:finley-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Students who have any COVID-19 like symptoms must stay at home until they are well and symptom free. If your child has had a COVID test, please email through the results to our school email address.

### **COVID-19 Updates**

The latest advice regarding COVID-19 for families is always available on this website: [Advice for families \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/advice-for-families) The Term 4 roadmap was released on 5<sup>th</sup> November.

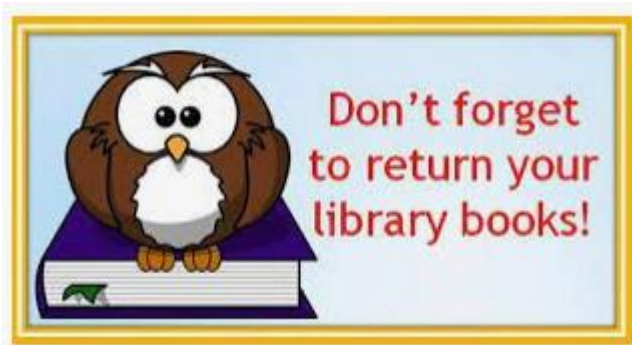
Have a great week  
Ruth Haynes  
Relieving Principal



## Library News

Borrowing has now finished for the 2021 school year.

Please return any borrowed library books. Our annual library stocktake will commence in Week 11.



## Book Fair

A massive thank you to all our families that have supported this years Book Fair, we will hopefully be back to running our normal book fair in 2022. Each year we run the book fair to support us with purchasing resources for our school library.

## Canteen News

This Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December will be the last day for lunch orders for 2022.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the canteen staff and volunteers at Finley High School who have provided us with lunches in 2021.



## Online Lunch Ordering

Finley High School are investigating the possibility of moving to online ordering for canteen orders in 2022. This service would be provided by QuickCliq.

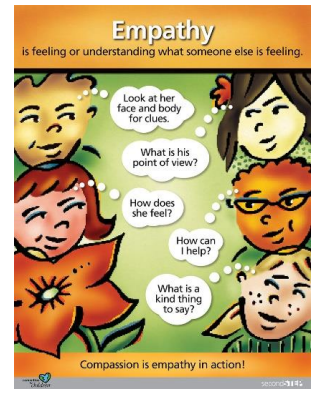
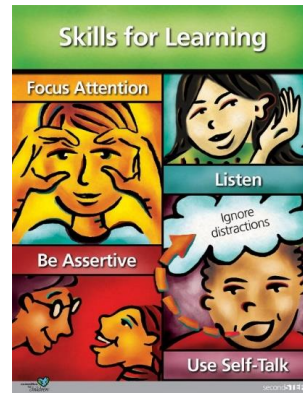
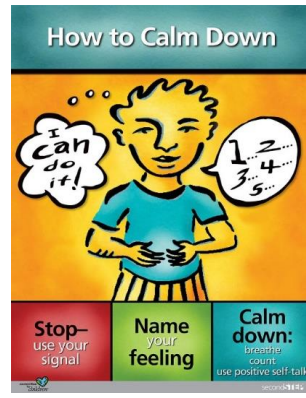
Lunch orders would be lodged electronically by the parent/caregiver or the student ready to be downloaded by the High school canteen

Parents/caregivers would be required to set up an account with QuickCliq, transfer money to their account and keep it in credit to enable them to use the service.

If you have nay queries in regards to this service please contact the Finley High School on 5883 1344.



Judd C	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Lilly-Ann C	11 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Michael R	12 <sup>th</sup> Dec



## REVIEWING SECOND STEP SKILLS

Second Step is a whole school program which teaches the skills needed for social and academic success. At times, we may revise certain lessons to help reinforce the content.

This week's lesson will review what students have learned throughout the year. When students are given the opportunity to reflect on their individual growth and learning, they are more likely to retain and apply the skills and concepts they have learned.

Please discuss this week's lesson with your children at home and help them to practise honesty, belly breathing and taking responsibility for mistakes or silly behaviour. Use the posters above to remind students how to deal with certain situations and problem solving ability.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher via the school office

## THANKS

Thank you to Donna, Pip, Tommy, Mitchell and Lachie Bain for their generous donation to our Kindergaten class. The students love their new Christmas countdown board.





## **Royal Lifesaving NSW**

### **Holiday Swim Program at Finley Swimming Pool**

**2 x 5 day sessions.**

**Week 1 or Week 2.**

**Times will be 2pm to 4pm and 4pm to 6pm**

**WEEK 1 Monday 10/1/21 to Friday 14/1/21**

**WEEK 2 Monday 17/1/21 to Friday 21/1/21**

**All enquiries to email or check out the  
website**

**Email: [swimandsurvive@royalnsw.com.au](mailto:swimandsurvive@royalnsw.com.au)**

**Website: [drowningprevention.org.au/swimvac](http://drowningprevention.org.au/swimvac)**

**All enquiries please contact Bruce Ferry  
on 0429 400 085**

# BIRALEE SUMMER VACATION CARE DEC 2021/JAN 2022

Please pack morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea, unless stated on the program. Please pack spare clothes for any day as water play is a must in summer!

**MONDAY**

**20/12/21**

Christmas Salt  
Painting + Christmas  
Tree Slime



**MONDAY**

**10/1/22**

Ice Cream Cone Pom  
Poms



**MONDAY**

**17/1/22**

Messy/Water Day  
Please bring spare  
clothes and a towel



**MONDAY**

**24/1/22**

DIY Pom Pom Letters

**TUESDAY**

**21/12/21**

POOL EXCURSION +  
BBQ  
Lunch provided



**Tuesday**

**11/1/22**

Mexican Fiesta



**TUESDAY**

**18/1/22**

Pendulum Painting



**TUESDAY**

**25/1/22**

Clay Echidna's +  
Koala Biscuits

**WEDNESDAY**

**22/12/21**

Grinch Toss +  
Gingerbread Houses



**WEDNESDAY**

**12/1/22**

Tocumwal Splash  
Park  
Additional Costs

**WEDNESDAY**

**19/1/22**

Frozen Yogurt Bites +  
Interactive Spanish  
Lessons

**WEDNESDAY**

**26/1/22**

**PUBLIC  
HOLIDAY**

**THURSDAY**



**23/12/21**

Christmas Roast  
followed by a  
Christmas movie  
Lunch provided

**THURSDAY**

**13/1/22**



DIY Bird Baths



**THURSDAY**

**20/1/22**

Mini Pancake  
Stackers + Little  
Engineers

Morning tea  
provided



**THURSDAY**

**27/1/22**

POOL PARTY + BBQ  
Lunch provided

**THIS IS GONNA BE FUN!**

**FRIDAY**

**24/12/21**

**CLOSED**

**FRIDAY**

**14/1/22**

Face Painting  
+ Circus Tricks

**FRIDAY**

**21/2/22**

Create your own  
Music video



**FRIDAY**

**28/1/22**

**CLOSED**



**Biralee  
OOSH**



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# **BIRALEE OUTSIDE OF HOURS CARE (OOSH)**

OOSH provides fun, stimulating and safe care for primary school aged children as well as preschool aged children.

At OOSH the children have the opportunity to participate in cooking, sport, music, art, dance, personal interests, homework station and so much more.

The children from both the primary school's in Finley are collected via the bus with an educator from OOSH and delivered to Biralee.



Afternoon tea is prepared each afternoon for the children and is waiting for them when they get off the bus. A menu is prepared a week ahead and is on display for families.

Vacation Care during the school holidays is available for all ages from preschool to school aged children. All different types of experiences are provided during Vacation Care, we also provide excursions for the children to attend, that can be anything from pool visits to movie excursions.

## **OPENING TIMES**

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE 3PM TO 6PM**

**VACATION CARE 8AM TO 6PM**

**GIVE US A CALL ON 03 5883 1609  
TO DISCUSS ANYTHING FURTHER**