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From the Principal's Desk

PSSA Finley District Football Trials:

Congratulations to James G, Grant-Patrick, Tom S, James B and Lachie L on their selection in the Finley Zone Football Team at the trials at Finley last Thursday. Well done also to Harry Leeds, Joel Brown and Jack Kennett who put in a big effort at the trials. The squad will have a training run on the 19th of March before playing in the Riverina West trials on Monday, 23rd March.

Riverina Cricket Trials:

James Browning, Lachie Leeds and James Gregory attend the Riverina Cricket trials yesterday in Deniliquin. From approximately 50 boys, they have all been successful in gaining a spot in the Riverina Cricket Team squad of 24. The boys will attend several training sessions throughout the year. A final 12 boys will be chosen from this selection process to compete at Lismore in November. Congratulations boys and we look forward to hearing if you make it into the final squad.

Virtual Excursion to Alaska:

Last Friday everyone in the school was lucky enough to go on an excursion to Alaska! Nobody had to climb into an aeroplane...we didn't even need a passport... in fact we didn't even need to leave the school grounds. We went on a *Virtual Excursion*, which is an excursion where a tour guide links with our school via our school's Video Conferencing unit and shows us around their country – in this case, Alsaka, USA! We learnt all about mushing (ask your kids) and an important race across the snow. Our excursion was made possible by our association with the CAP program.

PSSA Zone Records:

Julie Sleigh is currently compiling an updated list of all of the sporting records for the Finley Zone PSSA. If you have any documents at home relating to records broken by family members at any Finley Zone PSSA swimming or athletic carnival, please contact Julie or drop them into the office.

Jeri/Berri Softball and Cricket:

The Berrigan Yr 5/6 students travelled over to Jerilderie yesterday for the Jeri/Berri Cricket and Softball trials. Grant-Patrick, Nick P, Tom S, Lachie L, James G and James B were all selected for the cricket team, while Shayne, Isabella and Molly (reserve) were selected from our school for the softball team. Vic would also like to commend Ellie and Alysha on their effort in the trials. Congratulations to all of these students. The boys will be playing their first game against Corowa soon, with the date yet to be set. Softball, yet to be advised.

Weekly Assembly:

Parents and friends are most welcome to attend our weekly assembly every Wednesday at 2:20pm.

Andrew McEachern – Principal

COMBINED SCHOOLS FETE/AUCTION

WOOD CUTTING

We require as many parents and friends as possible to assist with woodcutting at "Koorungal" this Sunday, 22nd March.

Please contact Andrew Sleigh on 0429 200734 if you are able to come along and help out.

Commencing at 8:00am, a BBQ lunch (BYO refreshments) will follow.

Enjoy a dad's day out!



Splitting of the wood and loading trailers will take place at Anthony's yard on Friday, 3rd April from 10am.

Upcoming Events.....

MARCH

Friday, 20	Year 6 Leadership Day at Deniliquin RSL.
Sunday 22	Woodcutting at Kooringal (29 th as backup).
Sunday 29	P&C Working Bee at 9:30am followed by BBQ lunch.

APRIL

Sunday 5	Combined Schools Fete/Auction at St. Joseph's School.
Tuesday 7	P&C Meeting at 7:00pm.
Friday 10	Good Friday (Public Holiday)
Sat 11 – Sun 26	School Holidays
Monday 27	ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)
Tuesday 28	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 29	Students Return for Term 2

STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE 2009

Please find a Stewart House Donation Drive envelope attached to your newsletter. You could win a \$4,000 holiday for your family to the destination of your choice! Just place a gold coin (\$1 or \$2) in the envelope and return it to school by **Monday, 18th May** to be eligible for the draw.

The winner will be drawn on Friday, 29th May in Sydney.

CATERING – SENIORS WEEK

Yesterday Jerilderie Public School catered for the Seniors Week Lunch put on by the Jerilderie Shire. We have a very successful day, with many compliments about the meal. Thank you to Judy Knight for all the lovely beans she gave us from her garden, and to the various people who donated lemons.

I would like to thank Shelley Barlow, Kellie Thomas, Janine A'Vard, Gaila Smith and Terri Leeds for their help on the day – serving food, waiting tables and washing many, many dishes!

I would like to give a very big thank you to Julie Sleigh and Rozie Kennett for their assistance with planning, organising, preparing and baking for this event, as well as all their hard work on the day.

All in all it was a great team effort.

Thank you – Lisa Knight (Catering Officer)

COMBINED SCHOOLS FETE/AUCTION

SUNDAY, 5TH APRIL 2009 (Palm Sunday) @ Jerilderie St. Joseph's School

Raffle:

All tickets, sold or unsold, will need to be returned by Friday, 3rd April. Thank you to those families who have already returned their tickets/money.

On Saturday, 28th March we will be selling raffle tickets outside Jerilderie IGA. We need one volunteer in each of the following timeslots:

8:30am – 10:00am	Lisa Knight
10:00am – 11:30am
11:30am – 1:00pm

A volunteer from St Joseph's Catholic School will be rostered on at the same time. Could you please ring Vic/Judy in the office if you are able to assist.

Wood Cutting:

This a major fundraiser for our Combined School Fete. We require as many parents as possible to assist with woodcutting at "Kooringal" on Sunday, 22nd March, commencing at 8:00am. Please contact Andrew Sleigh on 0429 200734 if you are able to help out. A BBQ lunch will follow.

Grandparent's Stall:

This year there will be a Grandparents Stall, where craft, lollies, cakes, hand made toys or even produce from their own garden made/grown by grandparents will be sold

Cakes & Produce Stall:

Donations such as cakes, slices, fruit, eggs and vegetables will be needed for the Cake and Produce Stall.

Trash & Treasure:

Clean out your cupboards for the Trash & Treasure Stall. Remember.....one persons trash is another's treasurer!

Food for Fete & Roster:

Could we please have volunteers to make the following:

1 x Tossed Salad, 5 x Lasagne, 4 x Curry, 4 x Fried Rice, 3 x Scalloped Potatoes, 3 x Garlic Bread (2 sticks) and 1 x Fruit Salad (4 litre)

Foil trays will be available from the office. On the day of the fete, the food will need to arrive **HOT** preferably by 11:00am. **A roster is attached for the fete stalls, setting/packing up & supervising children's stalls. Please fill out and return with your preferred time ASAP.**

Housekeeping Reminders.....

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

The school contributions have remained at **\$35.00** per child this year. This will help cover the cost of school resources that are regularly used in the classroom. This is the only major contribution we ask from families apart from school excursions later in the year. **Could this please be paid before the end of Term 1.** Please feel free to come and see me if you have any concerns with payment.

CANTEEN NEWS

Families are responsible for arranging their own swaps if unable to attend their rostered day.

	<u>Supervisor</u>	<u>Helper</u>
MARCH		
Monday 23	Julie Sleigh	Robyn Marshall
Monday 30	Lisa Knight	Carmen Lawton
APRIL		
Monday 6	Rozie Kennett	Kellie Thomas

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR PLACEMENT IN YR 7 AT A NSW GOVERNMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL IN '10

All Year 6 students received a High School placement form last week. Please complete the information and return to JPS on or before Friday, 27th March. It is important that these forms be returned on time.

IGA SHOPPING DOCKETS

Thank you to all the families who send in their Jerilderie IGA shopping docket every month. Dockets for March need to be handed in by Thursday, 9th April.

PLEASE KEEP COLLECTING!!

P&C SCHOOL WORKING BEE

The P&C will be holding a working bee at Jerilderie Public School on **Sunday, 29th March** commencing at 9:30am. This will be followed by an informal BBQ lunch. It is anticipated we will carry out general maintenance jobs such as gardening, painting etc.

EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION:

The Easter Colouring Competition that was attached to your newsletter last week needs to be handed into the Jerilderie Newsagency or to the school office by Friday, 3rd April for judging.

AUSTRALASIAN SCHOOL COMPETITIONS

The annual Australasian Schools Competitions in Science, Spelling, Writing, Mathematics, English and Computer Skills are being held again this year. An entry fee applies for each of these competitions.

This year, all students in Years 3 – 6 will be entered into the Mathematics and English competitions, with their entry fee being covered by the school. If you would like your child to participate in one or more of these competitions please send the entry fee for each competition by the closing date. Only Years 3-6 are eligible to enter.

Science:	\$6.00
Entries Close:	Wednesday, 13th May
Competition Date:	Wednesday, 10th June
<i>Spelling:</i>	<i>\$8.00</i>
<i>Entries Close:</i>	<i>Tuesday, 26th May</i>
<i>Competition Date:</i>	<i>Tuesday, 23rd June</i>
Writing:	\$11.00
Entries Close:	Tuesday, 26th May
Competition Date:	Tuesday, 23rd June
<i>Mathematics:</i>	<i>\$6.00</i>
<i>Entries Close:</i>	<i>Wednesday, 22nd July</i>
<i>Competition Date:</i>	<i>Wednesday, 19th August</i>
English:	\$6.00
Entries Close:	Tuesday, 7th July
Competition Date:	Tuesday, 4th August
<i>Computer Skills:</i>	<i>\$6.00</i>
<i>Entries Close:</i>	<i>Wednesday, 29th April</i>
<i>Competition Date:</i>	<i>Wednesday, 27th May</i>

NEWSLETTER DELIVERED BY EMAIL

Thank you to the many families who have already indicated that they would like their newsletter delivered by email. This process should be able to take place over the next few weeks. Those of you who have not yet indicated how you would like your newsletter delivered, please fill in the attached form and return to school asap.

JUNIOR TENNIS

Times for Junior Tennis on a Wednesday afternoon have changed.

K – 4	-	3:45 – 4:30pm
Yr 5 & Up	-	4:30 – 5:30pm

Jamie Haynes will be available for tennis coaching on Sunday, 29th March. For further information ring Jamie on 0439 778860.

Classifieds.....

SWIMMING CLUB PRESENTATION NIGHT

AND
GENERAL MEETING
Monday, 30th March
5:00pm
Jerilderie Sport Club
BBQ Dinner Provided

SOCCER

The Cobram Junior Soccer Competition is commencing on the 9th May 2009. This year will be a little different with smaller numbers in each team and we have sponsored uniforms, so the kids all look like the pro's.

If you are between the ages of 5 – 14 as at the 1.1.09 and would like to play Soccer, we are holding **two registration days**, for the Finley Teams, for both boys and girls, at: **St Joseph's School Finley** on the oval on both **Friday, 20th March, from 3 – 5pm & Wednesday, 25th March, from 3 – 5pm.**

Payment will be required at the time of registration with a parent's signature. The cost for this year's competition will be \$60 per child, plus a \$20 bond for a uniform. Bond will be refunded at the end of the season when uniforms are returned. If you can't make the day or need info then please call John & Anne Bergmans on 58856249 by Friday, 27th March, to place your registration. No late registrations will be accepted.

FINLEY HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS

COMMUNITY GOLF DAY

2 PERSON AMBROSE EVENT



Finley Golf Course

Sunday, 29th March 2009

MEN'S, LADIES, MIXED & JUNIORS (12-18)

Non-Handicappers Welcomed

Cost: \$10.00 per player

Shotgun Start: 12pm for 12:30pm

BBQ available (Included)

Come along and have a fun day!

N.T.P., Raffles, Novelty Events

Entries close: Thursday, 26th March

Any enquiries contact: Finley Golf Club 58831360
or Finley High School 58831344

STUDENT PROFILE

NAME: Zander.
AGE: 5.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Apples.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Cordial.
FAV. TV SHOW: Sesame Street.
FAVOURITE MOVIE: Finding Nemo.
FAV. HOLIDAY DEST: Tasmania.
PET HATE: I don't like crocodiles!
FAVOURITE SMELL: Cake.

THREE FAMOUS PEOPLE (real or make-believe)
YOU WOULD LIKE TO INVITE TO YOUR BIRTHDAY
PARTY:

Ernie, Cookie Monster and Big Bird.

FAV. PASTIME: Playing with cars.

WHEN I LEAVE SCHOOL:

Football Player for Geelong.



Building the Education Revolution

Nominations for the Federal Government's *Building the Education Revolution* stimulus package closed yesterday. After consultation with staff, the P&C, District Office and Departmental Asset Management representatives, our school has nominated four building and school improvement projects:

1. Refurbish the administration block to incorporate a staffroom, improved sickbay facilities and building a new classroom in the space where the weather-shed now lies.

2. Refurbish the existing art room to include an improved wet area and shelving with an additional shed built off the current 3/4 room to house a ceramic kiln and shelving for ceramic storage.

3. Refurbishment and upgrade of the cricket and tennis facilities across the road from the school, including pitch, turf and court renovation, nets, and shelter.

4. Erect a new large shade structure over the concrete in front of the flag in the playground.

Hopefully we will be successful in having these projects approved.

Year 6 Leadership Day

This Friday, our Year Six students, supervised by Mr Hanns, will be joining with other Year 6 leaders from across the Deniliquin District Schools for an intensive Leadership Day.

The students will participate in a number of dynamic and interactive activities aimed at empowering and equipping them with the ability to realise their own potential and use their gifts and energies to serve others and make a difference in their school, families and community. Students will leave the program with the following skills and attributes:

- Enhanced understanding of leadership and tools to apply these learning's in their school, family and community to be agents of change
- Sound decision making, goal setting and creative thinking
- Robust team development, interaction and the ability to build healthy relationships and resolve conflict
- A vision on how to further impact Australia and strengthen their local communities
- Improved skills in communication, conflict resolution and goal setting



Our Finley Zone Football Team representatives:

Lachie, James, James, Tom and Grant-Patrick.



Jeri/Berri Cricket and Softball Representatives:

Grant-Patrick, Tom, Nick, Lachie, James, James, Shayne, Isabella and Molly.