

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE



LEST WE FORGET

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This year marks the 101st anniversary of the landing of the Australian and New Zealand troops on the beaches of Gallipoli, Turkey on 25th April 1915. Our school, like so many other schools, is marking this significant occasion this week. Here at school we will mark ANZAC day with a special Liturgy led by the students. Thank you to Miss Stewart for the preparation of our special service to mark this significant Australian day. Our Year Six leaders will be joining me at the Dawn Service to lay a wreath on behalf of our school.

In the classrooms students have been involved in a variety of ANZAC Day activities and have been sharing stories of family members who have served our nation. I have been fascinated and inspired to hear of and read of those families who have had members of their families as part of the Australian troops in various conflicts. My grandfather's eldest brother, Hercules was one of those amazing young men who gave his life in the First World War. He enlisted as a 19 year old in the Australian Light horse and was killed just a few months before the end of the war in 1918 aged 22. It is my hope that one day I will visit his grave in France as a very proud family member and remember the supreme sacrifice he paid for his family and country.

It is with respect and gratitude that we will remember. I pray that our children and young people will never experience the horrors of war and will support peaceful resolution to any conflict. Lest We Forget.

I look forward to seeing many of you on Monday at the Dawn service. Have a lovely long weekend,

God bless Australia,

Rosie

News from the APRE



Week 2 is here and what a busy week. We started with the formation of our St Joseph's P & F Association, followed by Art workshops, ANZAC Liturgy and assembly. Now we look forward to the first of a few long weekends. Please remember to be safe and we hope to see as many of you as possible at the Dawn Service on Monday.

This is also your last chance to send in any Project Compassion boxes. I am going to be counting and banking the monies next week. Thank you for your donations!

Just a quick reminder also about the other many exciting things happening over the next few weeks:

Mother's Day celebration and morning tea. More information will be sent out as plans progress.

NAPLAN for the Year 3 and 5's.

St Joseph's Official Opening on Tuesday 17th May – invitations for families will be distributed via email in the next few days.

Book Fair

Art show

NAIDOC Week

I would like to say how pleasing it has been to begin our Art workshops this week. Tuesday saw some of us undertaking photography with Mrs Tari Sagigi and what a wonderful learning opportunity. Yesterday we expected about 20 enrolments but actually had about 60 students, staff, parents and grandparents attend. What an amazing afternoon, thank you Mrs Lobley. We cannot wait to see the finished display.

Thank you again for all you do to make St Joseph's a community of not only faith, but one of compassion and friendship.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Amanda



St Joseph's News & Reminders

Student Absences.

Thank you to those families who have remembered to let the office know when their child is going to be away. It is a requirement upon enrolment that if your child is going to be absent for any reason, you must inform the school with either a phone call, email or a note so this can be recorded.

PH: 4069 9500

Email: secretary.weipa@cns.catholic.edu.au



St Joseph's Parish School Website

<http://www.stjosephsweipa.qld.edu.au/>

Now live

School Assembly

Assembly will be held every Friday at 2.30pm



St Joseph's Parents and Friends

We would like to welcome and congratulate the incoming Executive P&F Committee for 2016

President- Donna Macham

Vice President- Louise Stone

Secretary- Nikki Di Costa

Treasurer- Michelle Merkel

Making up the committee members who attended and will be supporting the Executive are Kate Mellner, Rachael Steele, Nik Clegg, Narelle Potter, Sarah Ward, Kath Newman and Chris McInnes

Mother Day Stall

On Wednesday May 4th the P&F will be holding a Mother's Day stall for children to purchase gifts for their much loved mums. Gifts will range from between \$5-\$10. Children are asked to bring money to school and will be given the opportunity to purchase from the store during school hours. The P&F are looking for parent assistance in

- 1) The wrapping of gifts prior to the stall. This can be taken home to do in your own time, or you can come in for a proposed session next Friday April 29 at school at 830am
- 2) The set up and running of the store on Wednesday May 4th between approx. 830am-1130am. Parents can volunteer for the whole time or even give an hour or so of their time
- 3) The donation of a small gift that would be suitable for sale. Whilst the school has already purchased a number of gifts, small donations that you have around the house would be appreciated.

If you can assist to ensure a successful stall for our mums can contact Nikki Di Costa on 0400 884 404 or at info@wholefoodhub.com.au

Bell Times

8.30 School Starts

10.40-11.00am Morning Tea

1pm--1.45 pm Lunch

3.00pm School Ends

Prep Enrolments for 2017

Applications are now being accepted for Prep 2017. Parents are asked to obtain an Enrolment Form from the school office or download from our website. Please inform family or friends if they have children who are eligible to enrol.

Year 4/5/6 News

In prayer this week we shared a Scripture story about how God has given each of us a gift to share with others. The children discussed how everyone is good at some things but not at other things. We talked about how not everyone has all the gifts and that is exactly why we need each other. The Scripture story taught us that God expects us to use our gifts to serve others and when we do this, the gifts God has given us become our gifts to others. The children shared with each other special gifts they have that can help others and I was extremely proud of their honesty and the compassion each child showed. Remember that when we use God's gifts, we can do amazing things and we are better people. I hope to see you all at the Dawn Service on Monday to commemorate Anzac Day. Have a lovely long weekend :-)

Damian Parr for doing his personal best this week and trying to stay on task.

Ava Steele for being a wonderful role model at lunch time and organising activities for younger students.

Prep News

Preps have been preparing for and learning about Anzac Day. They have learnt about Gallipoli and why we celebrate Anzac Day in Australia and New Zealand. The Preps learnt that life was not easy for the Anzacs or other troops at war and people in Australia sent food. Together with Year 1, the Preps sat on rugs outside to share Anzac biscuits. Preps listened to stories and prepared poppies to wear as a sign of remembrance. Prep also learnt it is an important time to value our country and pray for peace.

Award — Mya Ward

Year One News

This week in Year One we went to a Crocodile awareness presentation in the flexible learning space. We began using the iPads this week to further enhance our learning in numeracy and literacy. We participated in a whole school ANZAC Day Liturgy. Throughout the week we have been learning about ANZAC day. We learnt what the letters ANZAC stand for, Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. We looked at where Australia, New Zealand and Gallipoli are on the world map and learnt about the significance of Poppy flowers. We made some Poppy flowers out of paper and these were used to decorate a cross and placed on a wall display. Students listened to the story of Simpson and his donkey. Each child got to eat an ANZAC biscuit as we sat outside on a picnic mat alongside the Prep class. During show and tell, some students spoke about ANZAC Commemorations of the past.

Class awards this week are Brendan Ward and Amy Stone.

Year two News

Our focus in Maths this week has been place value and ordering numbers. We played The number is? and had to get closest to the Target number. This has helped us understand the different value of numbers and using strategies to reach the target. We have been busy researching about an animal for our Information Report. This was challenging because we had to write sentences from dot point information and format it into a report. We have really enjoyed reading Anzac stories and listening to everyone's own stories and connections.

Student Award Mia McLeish —Mia is outstanding in the way she cares for things in our room and her positive attitude towards her learning.

Sam McNamara-Sam has worked consistently with his handwriting and setting out of work. He always is a team player and has a positive and cheerful attitude always!

Year 3 News

This week the students have been learning about the oceans and continents of our world and have also learned about climate zones including the Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn. They've begun their persuasive unit in English and have been practising their use of high modality verbs to emphasise their points of view. In Science we've been learning about sources of heat and in History we've been reading different perspectives about Gallipoli and ANZAC Day including skyping with a real-life soldier! We've been revising our greetings, days of the week, months of the year and have added colours to our new list of French vocabulary. The superheroes of the week are Kate Merkel and Isaac Morton!

THIS WEEKS STAR STUDENTS

PREP... Mya Ward

YEAR ONE.... Amy Stone & Brendan Ward

YEAR TWO.... Mia McLeish & Sam McNamara

YEAR THREE.... Kate Merkel & Isaac Morton

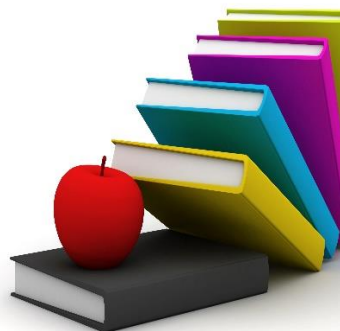
YEAR 4/5/6.... Ava Steele & Damian Parr



St Joseph's is a Nut Aware School

All parents and carers are reminded that we are a Nut Aware school.

We have 3 students and a staff member who have severe food or nut allergies and liable to have an anaphylactic reaction. We ask the cooperation of all families to ensure children are not sent to school with nut products in their lunch boxes – in particular peanut butter & Nutella.



HELP

LIBRARY BOOKS

In need of covers

If you can help please see

Karen

Banking

Please have bank books in by **Tuesday** to your child's teacher. They will be collected early Wednesday morning and returned to your child on Thursday by their teacher. School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for students to learn about money and develop good savings habits.



PE Timetable – Sports Uniforms

Class PE timetable has now been finalised. Sports uniforms are to be worn on the following days:

☐ Years Prep, 1, 2 & 3 Wednesday

☐ Years 4, 5 & 6 Thursday

Should you have any queries, please contact the school office.



School Fees

School Fees will be generated next week and will be emailed by Friday 29th.

Please be mindful that your booklists will be included on this invoice.

For future school fee payments could you please pay all amounts into the following account using your 10-digit reference number located on the bottom of the remittance slip (no names needed).

BSB 084-352

Acc-00001-8854

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Please refer to our recent email with Flexi Schools registration information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

EVERY DAY

PLEASE CALL SUSANNE

0429 698 254



**Laurel Eden
School Counsellor
Next Visit
Mon 16/5-19/5**

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Mother's Day Stall
TBA**

**School Opening
17th May**

Morcombe Visit

24th May

Book Fair

25th May

Art Show

1st June



Uniforms

Our uniform shipment has finally arrived, for those wanting to purchase extra uniforms you may now do so.

We would love some Volunteers to help organise our uniform stock



Please call Jenni On 4069 9500
WE now have EFTPOS for your convenience.

Parent Info – Kiss n Ride Rules

Kiss n Ride and No Parking zones operate under the same conditions- parents may stop to drop off or pick up children for a maximum of 2 minutes. If you need longer time, please park elsewhere.

The Driver must remain within 3 metres of the vehicle

Rules apply only within hours displayed.

Under no circumstances are you to overtake another vehicle in this zone.

Kiss n Ride zone is for your child's safety, your convenience, and to minimise congestion and confusion.

Please Remember

- Do not leave your vehicle!
- Be timely!
- Stay in Sequence!
- Child Safety- ensure your child gets in or out of the vehicle on the kerb side. Safety guidelines state that children under 13 years must travel in the back seat.

Thank you for your cooperation!



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