

# GOOD COUNSEL PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

20/04/15 Term 2 Week 1



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## POINTS OF INTEREST

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### **DIARY DATES**

TERM 2 (10 WEEKS) MON 20TH APR-FRI 26TH JUNE

FRI 24 APR ANZAC PRAYER ASSEMBLY

TUE 28 APR
ORAL REPORTING
YR 1 - 6
LIBRARY/THEATRETTE

WED 29 APR FEAST DAY MASS 10AM—11AM

SAUSAGE SIZZLE ORDER FLYER MON 27

MICHAEL MANGAN CONCERT 1.40PM

FRI 1 MAY DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

5, 6 & 7 MAY
ORAL REPORTING
PREP C
BOARD ROOM & PREP
ROOM

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ORAL REPORTING
PREP FD
BOARD ROOM & PREP
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### Principal's Column

Dear Parents,

ANZAC Day occurs on April 25 each year. This Saturday April 25, is the 100 year Anniversary of the infamous landing at Gallipoli in 1915.

The initials ANZAC, stood for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps and in 1915, those men together with British, Indian and French soldiers were sent to fight in the part of Turkey known as Gallipoli Peninsula. It was because of the way those Australians and New Zealanders fought, and the way they faced the hardships and dangers that confronted them, that the initials became a word - ANZAC - which is respected around the world today.

On ANZAC Day we pay tribute to all current and former members of the Australian Defence Force, and those lost in training, on operations, the wounded, injured and ill. There are currently thousands of ADF Personnel based around the world. In many locations, Australians are working with other nations such as New Zealand, France, Canada and the USA to maintain peace and stability. Peacekeeping is a major role of the ADF.

The ANZAC spirit represents a sense of purpose and direction. The original ANZACs knew what they had to do, despite the difficulties and dangers, they followed their orders. The campaign was not a success but they stayed until their leaders called to withdraw.

Today we can apply this spirit to our everyday lives - when we think things are difficult or challenging, think of the ANZACs and others who have followed them and push the difficulties aside to accomplish your task.

Every student last term put their name and a message on Reflection Plaques which have been placed in Bishop Foley's front yard beside the Cathedral in Cairns. Over 10000 plaques have been arranged by the staff of St Andrews School Cairns to represent our Catholic School students. You may see pictures

of the plaques in the local media this week as ANZAC Day ceremonies are featured.

This year, the 100th Anniversary of ANZAC Day it is expected that 100 000 people will attend ANZAC Day Dawn Services in Gallipoli, Turkey. Saturday the Innisfail Dawn Service will take place at 4.10am. The ANZAC Mass will be at Mother of Good Counsel Church at 7am and the parade will begin at 8.30am leaving from the Esplanade outside the RSL and returning to the Cenotaph. Please make a special effort to attend the march this year. Students are asked to wear their school uniform, black shoes and school hat. Students are also encouraged to march with their local community groups - Scouts, Guides, Pony Club and Cadets to bolster their numbers. If medals are worn by students they are to be pinned on the right hand side of their uniform. Let us make a huge effort to attend this year.

"LEST WE FORGET"

Many thanks to Miss Bowie and her willing helpers for organising a great Cross Country event late last term. Congratulations to Clancy house who won the overall event. Well done to all students for participating. Clancy Captains Ryan Pedrola and Ashlee Travers with the trophy. Those running in



District Cross Country keep training.

All parents interested in Oral Reporting will have received confirmation of their appointment time.

Regards Liam



Good Friday's Stations of the Cross Prayer Assembly during last term's Holy Week was brought to us by the students of 5GH and Mrs Hurney. Thank you everyone in the audience for your reverence at this solemn occasion.

#### Easter...

The seven Sundays of Easter and the fifty days of Easter Time-up to and including Pentecost Sunday- are an unbroken celebration of the victory of the risen Lord. The Easter candle, symbol of the light of the risen Christ, shines in a special place in our parish church.

### Project Compassion...

Sincere thanks to all staff for promoting the Food For Life each week in the classroom. Thank you parents and students for your generosity which has allowed us to contribute approx. \$900 to this worthy cause.

### ANZAC...

Holy God, in this season of Easter we rejoice in the New Life your Son the Risen Jesus gives us. You offer us hope. You offer us peace. We thank you for this treasured land of ours, Australia. As wremember the ANZAC soldiers who fought to protect our country, help us to strive for peace in all we do. We make our prayer in the name of our Risen Lord. All: Amen



#### The Ode...

They shall grow not old, As we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, Nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the mornina We will remember them.



#### ANZAC Prayer Assembly this Friday 8:40am.

Yours in Catholic Education Maria Caltabiano-Mrs C. Assistant Principal Religious Education & Administration



## MOTHER OF GOOD **COUNSEL FEAST** DAY

Wednesday 29 April

Good Counsel Primary School will celebrate with a Eucharistic Liturgy and a concert on this special day.

10:00am—Mother of Good Counsel Church

1:40pm—Michael Mangan in Concert Blue Area

Parents and extended family invited to celebrate with us by attending mass and/ or the concert.

Lunch will be at 12:45pm. Usual Tuckshop will be available with the additional option of a Sausage Sizzle for \$1.50. Children are asked to place Sausage Sizzle orders (brown paper bag with money) into Tuckshop Tubs Wednesday 29th.















Term 1 Overall—MacKillop

### \*\*\*\*\*\* 2015 TERM DATES...TERM 2 Thu 23.04 Prep Parents Reading Meeting 3:30pm Theatrette Sat 25.04 7:00am ANZAC Day Mass 8:15am ANZAC March 6:30pm SVDP Mass (Mini Vinnies) Tue 28.04 Oral Reporting 3:10-5:30pm Wed 29.04 Mother of Good Counsel Feast Day Mass10:00am, Sausage Sizzle available Michael Mangan Concert 1:40pm Fri 01.05 Mini Vinnies Buddies Assembly **District Cross Country** Fri 08.05 Mothers' Day Morning Tea Mon 11.05 Fr Kerry 9:00am 1G, PFD, PC Tue 12.05 Yr 3,5 NAPLAN Language Conventions P & F Meeting 7:30pm Wed 13.05 Yr 3, 5 NAPLAN Reading Thu 14.05 Yr 3, 5 NAPLAN Numeracy Fri 15.05 Ascension Prayer Assembly Tue 19.05 ICAS Digital Technologies Wed 20.05 Math Olympiad #1 6H Class Mass 11:00am Fri 22.05 Confirmation Prayer Assembly Peninsula Cross Country Sat 23.05 6:30pm SVDP Mass (Mini Vinnies) Mon 25.05 6B Class Mass 11:00am Wed 27.05 State of Origin Dress Day Thu 28.05 6H Biggest Morning Tea Fri 29.05 1G & 1S Pentecost Assembly Young Performers Tue 02.06 P & F Meeting Wed 03.06 ICAS Science Comp Sacrament of Confirmation St Rita's Thu 04.06 Sacrament of Confirmation MoGC Fri 05.06 Choric Speaking Presentations Mon 08.06 Queen's Birthday Holiday Wed 10.06 Math Olympiad #2 3Y Class Liturgy 11:00am 12.06 Preps Prayer Assembly Mon 15.06 ICAS Writing Tue 16.06 ICAS Spelling Wed 17.06 5GH Reconciliation 18.06 Colour Captains Prayer Assembly 26.06 INTER-HOUSE SPORTS DAY TERM 3 Fri 10.07 INNISFAIL SHOW Mon 13 July - Fri 18 Sept (10 weeks) Fri 24.07 GCPS Grandparents Day Sun 26.07—Sat 01.08 Catholic Ed. Week Sun 30.08 Yr 6 Outback Camp TERM 4 Mon 5 Oct Labour Day Tue 06.10 Maggie Dent 7:30pm Theatrette

Tue 6 Oct - Fri 4 Dec (9 weeks)

### Mini Vinnies Easter Raffle Winners...



1st Prize: Large Bunny Eggs-Hanna Vale 2nd Prize: Scrabble Set & Bunny-Jesse Catelan 3rd Prize Drawing Folder & Bunny-Pacey Jenkins 4th Drawing

Folder & Bunny-Mrs Debbi Dodds who kept the chocolate bunny and redrew the Drawing Folder-won by Alana Puccini. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to the supporters and ticket sellers.



## tuckshop



## LINDA IS LOOKING FOR HELPERS FROM 9AM-11.00AM

### PLEASE SIGN IN AT FRONT OFFICE

WED 22APR HELP NEEDED
FRI 24APR AMANDA FERGUSON
MON 27 APR HELP NEEDED

If you can help out at any time even for an hour during the busy time please let the tuckshop know.

Regular times for sale of uniforms are MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY

8.00-8.30am and 11.00am -12.30pm

Congratulations to Logan Lizzio 4PM who was recently awarded the 69th Barbara Sisley Award who achieved the highest pass in Queensland for Speech and Drama examinations conducted by the Australian Music Examinations Board in 2014.

These awards will be presented at Parliament House in Brisbane in May. Well done Logan.

If your child needs medication administered during school, please complete a medication form supplied at the office. Medication should be in a plastic bag clearly marked with child's name with the medication form then taken to class teacher.

### **TERM FEES**

Term 2 fees will be issued shortly.

Those families seeking a remission for 2015

must make an appointment to see the

Principal ASAP.

As we are now operating with the new system, your Term Fee invoice will be emailed to you each term.

For direct deposits please use your Reference No 973...... (ask at office or note on bottom of invoice) to ensure that monies are paid against correct family.



PAYMENTS OVER THE INTERNET
NEED TO ENSURE USE OF FAMILY
CODE AND EMAIL/FAX
CONFIRMATION OF PAYMENT TO OUR
OFFICE ON 40612271.

### **CHANGES TO BOOKCLUB**

CASH & CHEQUES WILL <u>NO</u> LONGER BE ACCEPTED AS PAYMENT FOR BOOK CLUB.

PAYMENT IS BY CREDIT CARD ONLY.
Orders are entered online at
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

You do not need to return order slips to your child's teacher.

Orders processed after the closing date will be delivered to your home address rather that the school and incur a postage and handling fee.

# REMINDER

### Nikki is coming to Good Counsel Primary School

to talk to **parents** about the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** 

between 8.15am and 9.30am in the blue covered area.

The School Banking program includes an exciting and exclusive Rewards Program that encourages students to get into the habit of saving regularly.

Don't forget that Wednesday 29th April will be our first School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected

10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. For enquires contact Kelly-

Anne Rhodes at kelrhodes@icloud.com or on 0439 655564

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Good Counsel Primary School.