**Principal’s Note**

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

**ANZAC Day Ceremony 2015**
Our Annandale ANZAC Day ceremony is on Friday 24 April at 10:30am in the Shed. I understand some defence families are purchasing medals for students whose parents have endured an operational deployment within the military forces. Some families have requested these be presented at our ANZAC ceremony. Please let myself or our DSTAs Tanya Hurditch or Karen Mitchell know if you have a medal for this ceremony.

**PREMIER’S ANZAC DAY PRIZE**
This year 70 high school students from across the state have been selected to visit Gallipoli and the western front battlefields in April. These students come from both state high school and private / independent high schools. All these students were selected from their entry of a multimedia presentation on ANZAC and what it means, both to them and to our country.

I have been fortunate to be selected as one of 10 chaperones to accompany these students on this tour. As part of our preparation for the tour, we have all been required to research the service of at least two service personnel and to research a place or battle.

While I am away with the tour, for the first three weeks of Term 2, Mrs Kerry Finn will be acting Principal of Annandale S.S. Mr Hull will be backfilling Mrs Finn’s Deputy Principal’s position for the same period. Mrs Schinkel will be backfilling Mr Hull’s PE role for the 3 weeks.

**This term in review**
This term seems to have been an extraordinarily busy term. There have been no new events added to the calendar or change in the teaching and learning demands on our teacher and students.

What seems to have changed is the need to address issues and policies at short notice and the uncertainty regarding employment for many families. I thank everyone for their willingness to attempt to maintain a calm and supportive environment for our students. Despite all the demands adults have, our focus must still be to provide a relaxed and enjoyable environment which supports student learning.

**WHOOPING COUGH, MEASLES**
Recently we have been advised of a couple of confirmed cases of whooping cough and measles.

Whooping cough and milder respiratory infections frequently spread in communities such as schools. If your child develops a troublesome and persistent cough, take him/her to your doctor promptly (even if they are fully immunised) and mention he/she may have contact with someone with whooping cough. Whooping cough can only spread through coughing, and those in the first few weeks of the illness should stay away from school until they have completed at least 5 days of antibiotics. This is important to prevent the illness from spreading.

Measles is also transmitted through discharges from the respiratory membranes. A case of measles is infectious 5 days before, to 4 days after the appearance of the rash. It is recommended that the person with measles remains in isolation from work, daycare or school from the onset of the symptoms until 4 days after the onset of the rash.

**Enjoy the Easter Break and school holidays**

Jan Cooper
Principal
EVENTS/ACTIVITIES PAYMENTS

OUR CASH COLLECTION WINDOW IS NOW OPEN FOR ALL PAYMENTS.
Online Banking (direct debit) is our preferred method of payment.

BSB : 064823 (CBA Aitkenvale)
Bank Acc: 10263935 (Annandale SS General A/c)

When paying online, please follow these simple guidelines:
1. Reference Details—Child’s Surname (up to 12 letters), First Initial, Reference Code as below:
   eg “SMITH & A 5 DIARY”
2. Separate deposits for each child & each activity;
3. Funds must be transferred from your account at least FIVE (5) DAYS BEFORE the event/activity closing date indicated by the school to ensure payment is received by us in time for receipting.

Payments may also be made by cash, cheque, credit card at the cash collection window in the administration building from 8.15-9.00 am or 2.15-2.45 pm.

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5 KEYS TO SUCCESS — YOU CAN DO IT!

The framework of Annandale State School’s Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students

**Behaviour Focus Keys**

**Confidence:** Means trying something new and not being afraid of making mistakes.

**Persistence:** Means sticking to work that seems very hard or impossible to do and not giving up.

**Getting Along:** Means helping others with their school work, working nicely in small groups, and managing your temper when someone is mean to you or doesn’t do what you want.

**Resilience:** Means you are good at staying calm (you don’t get nervous, down or angry), calming down when you get upset and bouncing back to do your work and play with others.

**Organisation:** Means having all your school supplies with you at school and home, placing your past work into folders with dividers, having the goal to be successful and do your personal best, planning your time so that you do not rush your work.

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YEARS IN SCHOOL

- Year 1: Students have sung Ickle Ockle.
- Year 2: Students have sung Star Light Star Bright.
- Year 3: Students have sung John Kanaka.
- Year 4: Students have sung Let us chase the squirrel.
- Year 5: Students have begun preparing for their Recorder Tests.
- Year 6: Students are practicing Let us chase the squirrel for Thursday, 2 April.

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**SPORTS TALK**

**FUN RUN**

Our School Fun Run will be held on Tuesday, May 5. This is a major fundraising activity for our school P and C Association. All students will receive their sponsorship forms and information letters with this week’s newsletter. Students will be training during PE and Smart Moves times for this great annual school event. The event will also be used as a selection trial for our older Cross Country runners to go to district trials. Keep up your training over the holidays!

Last week, we had a guest speaker come and talk about a community event- Run Townsville. This event will be held on Sunday May 31. Last year, Townsville raised over $200,000 for the Children’s Hospital.

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**MUSIC NOTES ♪♫♪♫**

**Music Tests**

Year 5 students have begun preparing for their Recorder Tests. All year 5 students are to practice their recorder songs at home ready for their test on Thursday, 2 April.

**Singing Tests** are underway for various grades. Parents please ask your students to practice singing their songs in the bath, shower anywhere around the home or car.

**Year 4 students** are practicing Let us chase the squirrel for Thursday, 2 April.

Already this week, Yr 6 students have sung John Kanaka, Yr 1 students have sung Star Light Star Bright, and Yr 2 students have sung Ickle Ockle.

It is lovely to hear the children sing so enthusiastically. Keep on singing.

Karen O’Donnell
Music Coordinator

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Look after our school.
If you see any suspicious activity in the school during the holidays, please call
SCHOOLWATCH 131788

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Felicity Leo PA1
Peyton Weddel 2C4
Annabelle Nunn 2C4
Jasmine Finch 2C4
Amy Knight 2K1

Class of the week was PA1
**ANZAC ASSEMBLY 2015 - INVITATION**

We would like to extend an invitation to all our parents and carers to attend our ANZAC Assembly on Friday 24th April. The Assembly will commence promptly at 10:30am in “The Shed”. The ANZAC Assembly will be followed by a morning tea in J Block (next to “The Shed”) from 11am - 11:45am for all our parents and carers. Please join us for this special commemorative occasion. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Gallipoli campaign of the First World War.

*Lest we forget*

**THE ANNANDALE STATE SCHOOL HERO TREES**

We would like to update you on the progress of our Hero Trees. They are now on display at the RSL Club, Hermit Park. They will be on display at the RSL until 23rd April. All the Hero Trees placed in various locations in the community will then be relocated to Jezzine Barracks in readiness for Anzac day. If you are attending the Anzac day March and Commemoration Service, perhaps you would like to take the opportunity to see the “forest” of Hero Trees while you are there.

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**P & C NEWS**

All Parents, Friends and Citizens are invited to a Special Meeting of the P&C Association which will be held at 7pm Monday 20th April at the Admin Block. The Special Meeting will be followed by the scheduled General Meeting. The Special Meeting is being held to seek approval from members to adopt the new Model Constitution.

Michaela Tantillo
P & C Committee.

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**Monday 20th April**

**Queensland School Term dates - 2015**

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**TUCKSHOP NEWS**

*** New Menu Coming soon ***

Our new menu will be released next term. 

**Tuckshop helpers still required for new term**

Helpers are still required for the new term. Can you help? There are still quite a few days, when there are no helpers at all. If you can help, please ring Raelene on 4729 5191 or come to the tuckshop during school hours.

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**DEFENCE NEWS**

There will be no Thursday Morning Tea Week 1 of next term however, please join us for the ANZAC Assembly Friday 24th April and then attend the school community morning tea held in J block from 11am following the Assembly. We look forward to seeing you then.

**Defence Parents Afternoon Tea**

In Term 1 we held weekly morning teas however we will now hold these periodically throughout the year. During Term 2 we would like to offer parents the opportunity to attend AFTERNOON TEAS. Our first Afternoon Tea will be held in May. Please check the newsletter’s next term for dates and times.

Thankyou.

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**ANZAC DAY**

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**CHAPPY NEWS**

Next term, I will be recommencing the craft group. It will meet on Thursdays first break in the Games Room. Craft will run each term from week 2 to week 9. Students, if you would like to be part of the craft group, please see me in Week 1 for more information.

This term we will feature crafts that recycle objects, starting with buttons. Parents, If you have old buttons that you don’t need and would be willing to donate, please contact me. We would appreciate your donation.

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**P & C NEWS**

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**Defence School Transition Aides — J Block**

thurd2@eq.edu.au and kmitc181@eq.edu.au

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**THANK YOU!**
Easter School Holiday Program
Art Escape  7-17 April 2015
@ Pinnacles Gallery

Tues 7 April  Custom Skate Decks
Wed 8 April  Bionic Building
Thur 9 April  Steampunk Solar System
Fri 10 April  Steampunk Trinkets
@ Perc Tucker Regional Gallery

Mon 13 April  Gone Potty
Tues 14 April  Fun Folding
Wed 15 April  Flower Pot Mosaics
Thur 16 April  Porcelain Painting
Fri 17 April  Funky Frames

All materials will be provided, please bring a snack for break time.
Bookings are essential – spaces are limited
Costs per session $15 ($10 Friends of the Gallery)

To Register Phone  for more details or check website:
Perc Tucker Gallery on 4727 9011 or email ptrg@townsville.qld.gov.au
Pinnacles Gallery on 4773 8871 or email pinnacles@townsville.qld.gov.au

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