



# NEWSLETTER

23 April 2015 Term 2, Week 1

## Dates Claimer

### Term 2 2015

24 April—ANZAC Service at school

30 April—YUMI Deadly Maths Parent session

28 & 29 April – Magnetic Island Camp Year 4 (4E4, 4E3, 4D4)

30 April & 1 May—Magnetic Island Camp Year 4 (4D1, 4D2)

5 May – Fun Run

7 May - Mother's Day stall

8 May - Chinese speaking competition 9-12 –WRSHS

11 May- P&C meeting

12-14 May- NAPLAN

18-25 May - Chappy Week & Education Week

### Term 4 2015

9 Dec -Year 6 Graduation

## Spotlight



Wreaths made by each class for the ANZAC Day ceremony.

### Next P & C meeting :

Date: 11 May 2015

General meeting

Time : At 7pm

Where: Admin Block

### Acting Principal's Note

#### Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after the Easter break. Ms Jan Cooper is on Leave for the next 3 weeks and I am Acting Principal while she is away. Brett Hull will be Acting Deputy Principal (Year 3 to 6) during this time and Mrs Schinkel will be our PE teacher for the next 3 weeks.

#### ANZAC DAY Memorial Service

This Friday 24 April is the school's annual ANZAC Day memorial service.

The whole school will attend and each class will lay a wreath they have made for this ceremony.

This year the school is fortunate to have Sergeant Ben Strutynski as our official guest who will address the school ceremony.

This day is important to us a nation and Annandale has a special reason to remember as it has approximately 23% of our students from Defence families.

The service on Friday will be followed by a morning tea hosted by our valued Defence Transition Aides, Tanya Hurditch and Karen Mitchell.

#### Marching in the Townsville City Council ANZAC Day Parade

Each year students from Years 5 and Year 6 are offered the opportunity to represent the school by marching in the city's ANZAC Day parade as a school group. I thank those students for taking part of their time to mark this important day. A letter has been given to students interested in marching in this ceremony with details about the parade.

Thank you to all those staff who also give their time to represent the school and march with the students.

#### FUN RUN

Our annual Annandale Fun Run will be held on 5 May from 9 am to 11am (week 3). This date allows a team to be selected for the Townsville Primary Schools' Cross Country team and does not conflict with any other school activities.



#### YUMI Deadly Maths Parent Sessions

For the last 2 ½ years Annandale teachers have been training in, and using Yumi Deadly Maths teaching methods in their classrooms under the guidance of our QUT mentor Robyn Anderson. Next week, Robyn will visit us for the last time before leaving us to continue this excellent program using the skills we have been equipped with. **Parents are invited to attend information sessions next Thursday 30 April** which are aimed at helping you support your children's maths development.

**Session Times: Thursday 2.00pm - 3.00pm  
Thursday 5.00pm - 6.00pm**

We hope to see you at one of these sessions

#### NAPLAN (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy)

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN tests are not pass/fail tests. NAPLAN tests provide very valuable information, but there are no consequences for individual students for poor or good performance. At the classroom level it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress.

The NAPLAN program is as follows:

Tues 12 May	Wed 13 May	Thurs 14 May	Fri 15 May
Language conventions Yr 3 & 5 40 mins	Reading Yr 3:45 mins Yr 5 :50 mins	Numeracy Yr 3: 45 mins Yr 5: 50 mins	Catch up tests permitted
Writing Yr 3 & 5 40 mins			
Catch up tests permitted	Catch up tests permitted	Catch up tests permitted	Catch up tests permitted

#### Preparation for NAPLAN:

- Ensure a good night's sleep prior to testing days
  - Ensure a good breakfast on testing day
  - Support students by encouraging them to:
    - do their best
    - answer ALL questions, even if they are unsure of their answer, give it a try
    - take time to re-read questions and answers
- Remind students that they will each be required to complete the assessments **without** any assistance.

**Yours in Education  
Kerry Finn  
Acting Principal**





## MUSIC NOTES

### Instrumental Music

The **School Band** has started rehearsals at 8am on Wednesdays in the music room.

Please arrive on time to get the most out of the rehearsals.

### Classroom Music

All **year 4** students should have acquired a recorder by now ready to start in week 3.

**Year 5** students should be practicing their recorders for the recorder test on Thursday.

### Choir

After ANZAC Day the choir will return to one rehearsal on Tuesdays in first break.



**Karen O'Donnell**  
Music Coordinator

## THE ANNANDALE STATE SCHOOL HERO TREES

Our Hero Trees on display at the RSL have now been relocated to Jezzine Barracks in readiness for ANZAC day. If you are attending the ANZAC day March and Commemoration Ceremony, perhaps you would like to take the opportunity to see the "forest" of Hero Trees while you are there.



## P & C NEWS

ANNANDALE STATE SCHOOL  
P & C ASSOCIATION  
MOTHER DAY STALL 2015

HAPPY  
MOTHER'S  
DAY!

Dear Parents and Guardians

With the growing popularity of the Mothers Day Stall the P&C will again be offering gifts for purchase on:  
**THURSDAY 7TH MAY at U BLOCK**

Students will be given the opportunity to attend the stall for a "LOOK ONLY" on **WEDNESDAY 6th May** from 8.30-8.50am and 3.00-3.20pm.

As we would like the gifts the students choose to be a **SURPRISE** for Mum we encourage them to come and view what is on offer so they can bring a suitable amount of money to get mum that special gift.....

On **THURSDAY 7th May** please send your child with suitable amount of money preferably in a purse/wallet, ziplock bag or envelope.

The gifts are priced at **\$2.00, \$3.00, \$5.00 and \$7.00** each.

Students may purchase a total of two (2) items.

If two items are purchased 1 must be from the \$2/\$3 range and 1 from \$5/\$7 range.

A small amount of Mothers Day cards will be available for \$1.00.

Please do not send in any money until the day of the stall. Students will be supervised by teachers and escorted to the stall via a roster.

**FRIDAY 8th May** the stall will be open from 8.30-8.50am for those students who were absent on Thursday or for students who wish to buy something more!

Syahn Farr & Rebecca Moore  
Fundraising Committee



### Help required

Seeking volunteers on Thursday 7th May to assist on the Mother's Day Stall. Please leave your name at the office .

**Syahn Farr**  
for Fundraising Committee

## 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***

**ANZAC  
DAY** 

## TUCKSHOP NEWS

\*\*\* **New Menu Coming soon** \*\*\*

Our new menu will be released soon

### Tuckshop helpers still required

Helpers are still required for this 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.

**Raelene Featherstone**  
Tuckshop Coordinator



## DEFENCE NEWS

### Defence Parents Afternoon Tea

If you have been unable to come to morning teas, perhaps you may be able to join us for Afternoon Tea. Come and get a car park early and join us for an informal get-together. We look forward to seeing you then.

Where: J Block – Near basketball courts.

When: **Thursday 14th May**

Time: 2:00pm



**Tanya Hurditch & Karen Mitchell**  
Defence School Transition Aides — J Block  
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### Townsville PCYC Primary School Age Disco

24<sup>th</sup> April 6:00pm-8:30pm,  
at Wellington Street Aitkenvale.  
\$5 entry

The event is fully supervised;  
there will be games and prizes  
on the night as well as lots of  
dancing. This is a great  
community event which provides  
children with a safe environment  
to have fun and make friends.

For further information please  
phone 4781 9100.

### South Pacific Taekwondo Tigers classes

For ages 2 ½ - 5 years  
Term 2 classes start 20 April  
at 5.00pm.

Classes are conducted on  
Mondays and Wednesdays at  
5.00pm at our head office  
which is located on 330  
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