

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

*"No Greater Love Does A Man Have For Another Than To Give His Life For Him."*

I always become a bit teary when watching the final scenes of the great Australian movie, Gallipoli starring Mark Lee and Mel Gibson. The two leading actors who are great friends in the movie, are faced with the choice of being a runner to deliver messages between the trenches and the command tent during fighting or 'going over the top' to face the Turkish soldiers in a battle which meant certain death. Lee's character forgoes the safer of the two 'jobs', dubs in his mate to be the runner and dies in a rain of machine gun fire. It is very dramatic and highlights the ultimate sacrifice Australian service men and women made then and continue to make today.

The legend of ANZAC was born on 25 April 1915, and was reaffirmed in eight months' fighting on Gallipoli. Although there was no military victory, the Australians displayed great courage, endurance, initiative, discipline, and mateship. Such qualities came to be seen as the ANZAC spirit.

Many saw the ANZAC spirit as having been born out of an equality of all and mutual support. According to the stereotype, the ANZAC rejected unnecessary restrictions, possessed a dry sense of humour, was contemptuous of danger and proved himself/herself the equal of anyone on the battlefield.

Australians still invoke the ANZAC spirit in times of conflict, danger and hardship.

So why is this day special to Australians?

When war broke out in 1914 Australia had been a Commonwealth for only 14 years. The new national government was eager to establish its reputation amongst the nations of the world. In 1915 Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the allied expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula to open the way to the Black Sea for the allied navies. The plan was to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul), the capital of the Ottoman Empire and an ally of Germany. They landed at Gallipoli on 25 April, meeting fierce resistance from the Turkish defenders. What had been planned as a bold stroke to knock Turkey out of the war quickly became a stalemate, and the campaign dragged on for eight months. At the end of 1915, the Allied forces were evacuated after both sides had suffered heavy casualties and endured great hardships. Over 8,000 Australian soldiers were killed. News of the landing at Gallipoli made a profound impact on Australians at home and 25 April quickly became the day on which Australians remembered the sacrifice of those who had died in war.

Although the Gallipoli campaign failed in its military objectives of capturing Constantinople and knocking Turkey out of the war, the Australian and New Zealand actions during the campaign formed an intangible but powerful legacy. The creation of what became known as the "ANZAC legend" became an important part of the national identity of both nations. This shaped the ways they viewed both their past and future.

This is how several of our year sevens feel about this most important day in our brief history:

Giving thanks to the ANZAC soldiers for how they fought for our country. It is important that the youth know about the ANZAC story so that we can pass it onto the next generation. They provided us with the freedom we have today. **(Marcie Williams)**

ANZAC Day is a very meaningful one for all Australians and needs to be respected. It is a day when we commemorate the great courage shown by all Australian and New Zealand soldiers both past and present. **(Riley George)**

It is one of the most important days that we remember each year. There is no greater courage shown than risking your life for others and your country. We live a wonderful life in Australia because of our involvement in conflicts and hopefully the countries our soldiers are supporting are better places, too. **(Joshua Brown)**

It is a day when we remember all soldiers who have fought as part of the Australian and New Zealand armed forces, in particular those who have died. It is important for younger people to see the sacrifices people make so we can live safely. **(Isabella Gurney)**

We commemorated this special day by having an assembly presented by Year 7S class. It was extremely reverently and respectfully done. Thank you.

A special mention also goes to our one hundred and six children, the many teachers, staff and parents who marched on Monday this week. The Emerald service was one of the best I have attended with all present showing great respect and admiration for our past and present service men and women.

Well done also to the school captains of Marist College, Casey Yates and Gerrard Brennan who were outstanding in their speeches about the significance of ANZAC Day for them. I was very proud of them both.

All the very best

Mr Max Martin



# APRE Reflection

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM ONE

### May

Tuesday 3rd – P. and F. meeting 7pm in school staffroom.  
 Wednesday 4th – CH tennis trials  
 Saturday 7th – Marist Race Day  
 Sunday 8th – Mothers' Day  
 Tuesday 10th – Thursday 12th – NAPLAN Testing for Years 3, 5 and 7.  
 Tuesday 10th – School Board meeting 7pm.  
 Wednesday 11th – Dental Van arrives at St Patrick's.  
 Friday 13th – CH athletics carnival at Marist College, Emerald.  
 Thursday 19th/Friday 20th – School Photos.  
 Friday 20th – Emerald Primary Schools' Touch Football trials.  
 Tuesday 24th – Friday 27th – Diocesan Curriculum Conference in Rockhampton. Mrs Brenda Finning attending.  
 Tuesday 24th – Uni of NSW Computer competition.  
 Thursday 26th – CH Touch Football trials in Emerald.  
 Monday 30th – Arts Council performance.  
 Monday 30th – Capricornia Cross Country  
 Tuesday 31st/Wednesday 1st – Capricornia Tennis Trials.

### June

Wednesday 1st – Emerald Show Holiday.  
 Saturday 4th/Sunday 5th – Confirmation ceremonies at 6pm and 8.30am.  
 Monday 6th – Capricornia Athletics  
 Wednesday 8th – Uni of NSW Science exam  
 Wednesday 8th – Prep to Year 3 athletics carnival at St Patrick's.  
 Monday 13th – Queen's Birthday holiday.  
 Tuesday 14th – P. and F. meeting 7pm  
 Wednesday 15th – Friday 17th – APRE meeting in Rockhampton. Miss Sonya Daniels attending.  
 Tuesday 14th/Wednesday 15th – Capricornia Touch Trails in Emerald.  
 Thursday 16th – CH softball trials.  
 Tuesday 21st – Uni of NSW Spelling and Writing exam.  
 Tuesday 21st – School Board meeting 7pm.  
 Thursday 23rd – Children's semester report cards sent home.  
 Friday 24th – Final day of Term 2.  
 Friday 24th – School Thanksgiving liturgy at 12.30pm

## TERM 2 LITURGICAL ROSTER

### Week 2

Assembly 5M  
 6D Liturgy Friday 12:15pm in the Church

### Week 3

Assembly 1S  
 3H Liturgy Friday 12:15pm in the Church

### Week 4

Assembly 6W  
 Prep Green / Gold Forgiveness liturgy Friday 12:15pm in the church.

## TUCKSHOP ROSTER

### Term 2 Week 2

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Labour Day
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	A. Sandilands C. Abraham
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	J. Kiely L. Roberts
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	K. Armstrong K. Smith
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	E. Sloan K. Heinemann

I hope everyone had a lovely Easter break and welcome back to term 2. I should take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Sonya Daniels and I will be the APRE until the end of the year. This is my 5<sup>th</sup> year at St. Patrick's, teaching year 7 for three years and year 3 until now. I am looking forward to the challenge and experience of this new role.

As this is my first APRE reflection I was torn between two topics to reflect on. Therefore, I thought I would touch on both. I recently read an article about Mat Rogers. Now, when I think of Mat Rogers I think of the tattooed Titans rugby league player married to actress, Chloe Maxwell. Reading this article however made me realise that people in the public spotlight do have other sides and are sometimes just like you and me. This article was entitled "Faith fills Rogers' life". This article spoke about Mat Rogers giving a reflection to a congregation during a Church service. It was mentioned in the article about how Mat was never fully fulfilled until he accepted God into his life. Mat said that even with money, cars, boats and anything else he wanted he still felt a hole in his life. This hole was filled when he became a Christian 11 years ago. He did admit that becoming a Christian was challenging for him, as he thought this meant he had to be perfect. Reading this gave me food for thought as I sometimes think we all put pressure on ourselves to **'be perfect'**. It may be the pressure of being a perfect teacher, a perfect mother or father, a perfect husband or wife or even a perfect student. He admitted to walking away from God but also finding his way back. We don't have to be perfect and this is something that we all need to reflect on and realise sometimes. Mat related his faith and life journey to his valued family as well. He places a great amount of emphasis on how his wife and children see him as a husband, father and most importantly a role model. A truly inspiring article with good messages for our lives.

The next topic I decided to reflect upon is the Royal Wedding. It has definitely been Royal Wedding fever this week. You all could agree that every time you change the TV channel or turn on the radio, there is some type of discussion about the Royal Wedding. What dress will Katherine wear? What will the cake look like? What floral arrangements will they have? Who is on the guest list or more importantly, **who isn't?** Planning a wedding myself, I can only imagine the attention to detail required for a wedding of this importance, one that is going to be watched by millions of people. I then started to think about wedding etiquette and while researching found an etiquette guide entitled 'Royal Wedding Etiquette 101'. I would like to share this finding, just in case you are ever on a guest list such as this.

**As with everything else when it comes to royal families, they take "normal" etiquette and protocol and times it by 1000 to create super posh and very intricately designed proper affairs. Below is a list of how royal weddings differ and yet are still similar to our weddings:**



- *Where the 'normal' bride has a wedding planner and/or friends or family members to help her decide what she wants, the royal wedding is planned completely by experts (the bride and groom do get to give their consent). This is truly a massive event and each tiny little matter will be given the utmost attention.*
- *All pertinent information for a royal wedding (location, date, dress code) will still be included on the invitation. Make sure you fit the dress code to a tee and do some research if it is one you have never heard of. For example, for Edward and Sophie's wedding, the dress code was "morning dress". No, they did not mean wear your pyjamas and robe.*
- *Although we do not want to dress up like harlots for any wedding, it is an opportunity for our style to shine. For a royal wedding though, it is conservative all the way. At Princess Diana and Prince Charles' wedding, quite a few guests were snapped wearing ultra fancy hats. Hats are okay, but, as with any wedding; don't try to outdo the bride.*
- *Receiving lines are a dying trend for normal weddings, but, royal tradition means that when William and Kate marry, they, Prince Charles and Kate's parents will greet each guest as they enter the reception.*
- *Normally, the bride and groom love for you to bring your camera to help capture their big day. Not so for the royals where every photo needs to be scrutinized by a PR rep before it is released to the public. Leave your camera at home.*
- *At a normal wedding, a chance meeting with the Queen is incredibly unlikely. At a royal wedding, it probably is just a matter of time. If you do meet her: men, bob lightly at the neck; women, bob lightly at the knee. The key here is subtlety.*
- *Surprisingly, the common trend of wearing a white dress started with royalty. Queen Victoria started that fashion in 1840 with her marriage to Prince Albert. Prior to that, wedding dresses were in colour.*

(Source: [Etiquette Guide](http://etiquette-guide.com/royal-wedding-etiquette-101) The Online Magazine About Etiquette <http://etiquette-guide.com/royal-wedding-etiquette-101>)

Have a great weekend and enjoy the Royal Wedding buzz as next week it will be over.  
 Sonya Daniels APRE

## YEAR 7 FUNDRAISING FRIDAY 6TH MAY 2PM IN THE STAFFROOM

### WELCOME TO NEW YEAR THREE TEACHER

Welcome to Mrs Jane Leef and her family; husband, Robert and their children, Caelisz in Prep Blue and Haimz in year 1S. Jane has come to St Patrick's from Sacred Heart Catholic School in Yeppoon. She is originally from New Zealand and has been teaching for eight years. She enjoys spending time with your family, swimming and camping. Her favourite music is Katy Perry and she enjoys eating Indian. We wish her all the very best at St Patrick's.



# Sports News

## Marist Race Day

7th May  
Chicken & Champagne tickets  
on sale now.  
Contact Marist – 49823400

### ANZAC DAY MARCH

Thank you to the one hundred and six St Patrick's children who marched with the school on ANZAC Day on Monday this week. It was an outstanding turn out considering the extra long weekend.

To all our staff and parents who also marched, thank you as well.

### NEW FAMILIES

Welcome to several new families to St Patrick's:

Annette and Rickard Luck and their children, Sabrina in year 2M and Alexandra in year 5M.

Troy and Claire Theimann and their children, Keely in 2H and Ava in Prep Gold.

Graeme and Danielle Pope and their daughter, Kiara in year 6K.

Sean and Melissa Chick and their son, Samuel in year 1M.

Robert and Jane Leef and their children, Caelisz in Prep Blue and Haimz in year 1S.

Welcome into our St Patrick's family.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to David Parlato who recently won Best American Original Chrysler trophy at the Rockhampton Car Show. Well done, Mr Parlato.



### NEW PASTORAL SUPPORT OFFICER/COUNSELLOR

With wonderful support for our diocesan office in Rockhampton and the State Government, St Patrick's has employed a new counsellor to work two days a week to complement the great work being done by our current counsellor, Miss Paula Scanlan. Ms Collette Curtis has accepted this position and will be working with our children in this role.

The process to access counselling at St Patrick's is through a written referral from parents/carers which can be obtained from our office. This service is available to all our children who are perhaps experiencing problems at school or home.

### COOLER SCHOOL UNIFORMS

With the cooler weather approaching, our children are wearing jumpers to school. The school jumper is navy blue in colour. A school jumper with the school emblem is available for purchase from Eaglesham's Menswear.

I ask that other coloured jumpers not be worn. We look great in our blue uniforms.



### St Joseph's Cathedral Gift & Bookstore

Communion and Confirmation gifts and cards now in stock. Come in and browse through our store or visit us online at [www.cathedralbooks.com.au](http://www.cathedralbooks.com.au)

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### CENTRAL HIGHLANDS TENNIS TRIALS

The Central Highlands Tennis trials will be held next Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May at the Emerald Tennis courts. If your child is turning 10, 11 or 12 this year and would like to participate in this tournament, please see Mr Rose for a permission slip. From this trial, a team of 4 boys and 4 girls will be selected to attend the Cap tennis tournament in Emerald on 30<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June.



### JUNIOR TOUCH FOOTBALL

Junior Touch football will be starting on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> May (week 3). If your child is interested in playing junior touch football for the school, they will need to return a permission form by this Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> April. All players then need to sign-on at the Touch Fields on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May. Cost is \$60.00 for the season.

There will be a yr 4/5 comp and a yr 6/7 comp. Parents please note that there will be no ball skills for year 1-3 students this year. We are also looking for several parents to volunteer as coaches for teams, so if you are interested, please contact me. *Wes Rose*

### CENTRAL HIGHLAND ATHLETICS CARNIVAL CANTEEN

The CH Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May at Marist College. As a fundraiser for the Yr 7 camp, St Pat's is running the canteen. We need many parent helpers to assist on the day. If you are available to help, if only for a short time, please contact Sam Schwarz on 0417741757.

### EMERALD PRIMARY SCHOOLS' TOUCH FOOTBALL TRIALS

These will be held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May at the Emerald Touch Football grounds. The Central Highland's trials will also be held in Emerald on 26<sup>th</sup> May. St Patrick's trials for both boys and girls will be held early this term.

### DEVELOPMENT CUP

On the last week of school, St Patrick's played Emerald North State School in the Development Cup. St Patrick's team played quite well defeating their opponents convincingly.

Well done to William Kleinschafer, Joe Gallagher, Dylan Johnson, Chaise Tisdell, Blake Bateup, Jack Brown, Tane Costar, Harry Wills, Campbell McCoy, Joe Fabish, Tom Colwell, Darcy Schwarz, Luke Abraham, James Ross, Tom Lewis, Tristan Browne, Brayden Turner and Tom Latham on their games.

Next week St Patrick's plays Blackwater North in Blackwater at 4.30pm on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and then Blackwater Combined at 4pm at McIndoe Park on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

Training will be held this Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 5pm at the Ag College fields.



# CURRICULUM NEWS

### YEAR 3, 5, 7, 9 NAPLAN TEST PREPARATION

On the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of May, all children in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 will sit a National test for Literacy and Numeracy. Students will have their skills assessed in numeracy, reading, writing, spelling, punctuation and grammar. The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life.

Teachers have been preparing children for the NAPLAN test and as part of this preparation children will sit practice tests next week on the 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> May. This will help children become familiar with test instructions and common forms of questions in the NAPLAN test. Children will be completing the following practice tests on the days shown below;

**Tuesday** – Language Conventions (grammar, punctuation, spelling) and Writing

**Wednesday** – Reading

**Thursday** – Numeracy (mathematics)

If you would like any further information regarding the NAPLAN tests for Year 3, 5, 7 and 9, please come and see me or visit the NAPLAN website at [www.naplan.edu.au](http://www.naplan.edu.au)

*Brenda Finning APC*

### MS READATHON

The MS Readathon is a 30 day reading and fundraising program to help raise money in support of Australians living with MS. Multiple Sclerosis is an unpredictable and mysterious disease of the central nervous system and affects over 16, 000 Australians.

Children who wish to take part in the MS Readathon can register online at [www.msreadathon.org.au](http://www.msreadathon.org.au) Reading can be for any 30 days between June and July. Every child who completes the MS Readathon receives a certificate and reading rewards.

Schools that register 5% of student participation and raise a minimum of \$10 go in the draw to win an Apple iPad. One Apple iPad will be given away every school day in the month of June. In addition to this, schools will be given 10% of the funds raised by students in the form of Target Gift Vouchers.

*Brenda Finning APC*



### FAREWELL

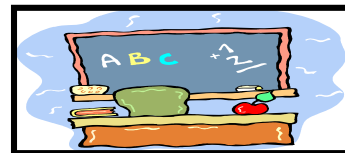
To Mrs Renee Holmes, one of our teacher assistants who leaves us today. Renee, her husband, Mark and children Anna in year 7 and Will in year 3 are leaving Emerald to live in Broome.

We wish them all the very best and thank Renee for all her wonderful work at St Patrick's over the past four years. All the very best for the future.



# Classroom Comments

## Years 6 - 7



### Year 6D

This term will be very busy with lots of exciting events like the Show Holiday and School Photos. We are all looking forward to learning more about Space and Ancient Egypt in our Integrated Studies units. In Religion this term we are learning more about the Bible, when it was written and who by. Here are some of the things we are looking forward to this term:

I want to learn more about Cleopatra – Bridget Young

I am looking forward to CH Cross Country this Friday – Finn Keogh-Byrne

I am looking forward to Emerald District Athletics Carnival – Phoebe Murphy

I am looking forward to learning everything about Space – Tori Rouse

I am looking forward to learning about how they built the pyramids – Monique Lloyd

Learning about Ancient Egypt and the lifestyles of Ancient Egyptians – Paulene Roflo and Max Schultz.

As a reminder, Library is still on Tuesday as well as Physical Education with Miss Young. Music is also on Fridays and we will have time with Mr Martin every second week starting in Week 2. Parents, if you wish to discuss your child's progress throughout Term 1, feel free to make an appointment to come in and view their work or just have a chat! We are all looking forward to an exciting and busy term!

**Miss Doughty and 6D**



### Year 6K

It has been fantastic to return back to school and listen to all the stories the children have about their holidays. To start the term we have been looking at the Ancient Egypt civilisation. The students have found this excitable and are looking forward to learning so much about the topic. Here are some comments from the students.

I love learning about Tutankhamen and looking at the biggest pyramids ever made. **Elise**

I enjoyed watching the documentary about Tutankhamen and how they used DNA to find the name of his father. **Alice**

I find learning about Tutankhamen interesting especially when the sarcophagus was opened and pictures of the mummy was revealed.

**Luke**

I enjoyed learning about the Nile River and how important it was for the existence of the Egyptian civilisation.

**Miss Klintstrom and 6K**



### Year 6W

We have begun our 'Walk like an Egyptian' unit, which integrates the outcomes of Science, SOSE, English, Religion, The Arts and Mathematics where possible to expose the children to the exciting society of the Ancient Egyptians. The children will be able to draw parallels, between this advanced, for their time, civilisation with modern life and our society. Through this unit, we will lead the children to draw conclusions about the impact the Ancient Egyptian Civilisation has had on our lives.

**Important days for term two:**

Tuesday – P.E. and library borrowing

Wednesday – Computers, music and library viewing

Thursday – Library borrowing

**Miss Woltmann and 6W**

### Year 7D

We hope you have all returned from a happy and holy Easter Break. Term two is going to be another busy term filled with lots of learning experiences and a number of public holidays.

This term we will be learning about Sustainability and we will be endeavouring to develop the children's awareness of their environment, encourage positive practices for sustainability and look at current sustainable technologies.

As you would be aware NAPLAN testing is coming up in week three. We have been doing a lot of preparation in class to give the students the best opportunity to succeed. We have been writing expositions and practicing our time management skills.

Once again this term our class will have the opportunity to meet with N.E.T. and run through some workshops for a whole day. The students enjoyed this time last term and are all looking forward to the next

experience.

Last term the students completed a few assessment tasks and exams, if you would like to have a look at your child's work please organise a time.

We are looking forward to another jam packed term.

**Mrs Dyne and 7D**

### Year 7W

After a long and enjoyable first term in Year 7W the students have had a nice Easter break and are looking forward to what is in store for term 2. Here is what some of them have to say about learning they enjoyed last term and what they are looking forward to this term.

**Brontie Winson-** My favourite activity that we did last term was the science experiment. I enjoyed mixing all the chemicals together to create an outcome. This term I am looking forward to writing a Narrative. I like the idea of taking my mind into another world and creating a fantasy story.

**Grady O'Loughlin-** I enjoyed doing buddying with the Prep Blue class in the computer room this term. I also enjoyed the sports at the athletics carnival. This term I am looking forward to using a microscope to look at micro-organisms. I am also looking forward to learning how to save energy and to learn about land use.

**Pepe-J Holzwart-** I enjoyed the swimming carnival and athletics carnival. We had so much fun and my team Kennedy won the spirit award and we won the athletics. It was awesome. I also enjoyed the science experiments our class did as it was funny to watch the balloon expand. I am looking forward to doing SOSE this term and learning about sustainable futures and micro-organisms in science.

**Isabella Gurney-** Last term I enjoyed learning about the Australian History and completing our interesting science experiments in class. I also enjoyed competing in the school sports carnival because it was great fun and there was a lot of team spirit. Another activity I enjoyed was when we got to learn different styles of dance. Some things I am looking forward to this term is learning about the different forms of energy. I am also looking forward to writing our adventure or fantasy narrative because I love to write and use my imagination.

**Miss Wall and 7W**



### Year 7S

We hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break and is ready to get back into the busy term ahead. In 7S we have hit the ground running and we are straight back into things. This term we will be learning about sustainability and creating our own narratives. We will also be presenting speeches to the class in a couple of weeks. The NAPLAN testing is only two weeks away so we are also preparing for these. Our focus has been on the exposition text type and ensuring we can clearly communicate convincing arguments.

We are all looking forward to a busy but enjoyable term ahead.

**7S and Miss Smith**

### Year 7M

In 7M we are looking forward to what term two has in store for us.

I am looking forward to playing lots of sport in PE. - **Blake Pyle**

I would like to see how coal becomes a form of energy. - **Nikolas Liosatos**

I can't wait for excursions to explore what's there. It would be good to see where coal comes from and how it is dug out of the ground. - **Bradleigh Bisaro**

I am looking forward to all the excursions and stuff, because they sound good and fun to do. - **Kendra Latham**

I am looking forward to learning about the primary and secondary colours, as well as the artworks that will be shown. - **Lena Stockwell**

I am looking forward to making stuff with yeast in science, because it is a really hands on experience. - **Tim Otto**

This term I am looking forward to learning about our SOSE unit as it sounds very interesting. - **Campbell McCoy**

Looking forward to a fantastic term.

**Mrs Mikolajski and 7M**

### CONFIRMATION PROGRAM – MEETING REMINDER

All families, who celebrated Reconciliation at the end of 2010, are invited to join together with the St Patrick's



Sacramental Team, in continuing their child's faith journey by preparing their child for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a very special and exciting time for both the children and their families. Please come to an – Information and Sign-on:

**When: Tuesday 3rd May 2011**

**Where: St Patrick's Church**

**Time: 1.15p.m. OR 7.15 pm**

**The cost for the program is \$30. It would be greatly appreciated for this amount to be paid at the enrolment meeting. Thanks**

**Please note: this will be the only opportunity for families to enrol in the program.**

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

### **QUEENSLAND AND NATIONAL WAKEBOARDING TITLES**

Over the holidays, the Swift family took part in both the State and National Wakeboarding Championships in Brisbane and on the Gold Coast respectively. Alanna who is in Year 7S, came third at the State in the 10 to 14 girls and 11th at the Nationals. Joshua in Year 6K came 1st at the Queensland Titles and 2nd at the National titles. Lachlan came 2nd at the Queensland Titles and 3rd at the National Titles.

The back roll, front roll, the 360s, 180s and wake to wake are the signature tricks of the Swift children.

Congratulations and well done to Alanna, Joshua and Lachlan. A wonderful achievement.



### **NEXT PARENTS' AND FRIENDS' MEETING**

This will be held this coming Tuesday 3rd May at 7pm in the staffroom. Looking forward to seeing a good roll up at this meeting. One representative from each year level would be appreciated. The meetings only go for one hour at the most.

### **Farming for the Future by Hendy Raynes**

Everybody knows that feeding your family is more important than some trees. We need to cut down trees to teach our community how to plant crops. Planting crops will feed us and the community in the future.

Firstly, my family is hungry, we have little money to buy our food. I need to feed my family from the land, so that we always have food. The rainforest is important, but the survival of my family is more important.

Secondly, all the families in the community will work together to provide crops for each other. Farming will teach us new skills for the future and for now. Once we have taught the community how to plant crops they will have the skills to continue.

In conclusion, feeding my family by farming the rainforest is more important than some trees. Teaching the community will provide food and jobs. We will become skilled and healthy, and still be able to live in our rainforest.



### **YOU CAN DO IT. AWARDS – Sponsored by McDonald's Family Restaurant, Wendy's and Sportspower**

**Jamie Purkis (1S)**- for showing great getting along skills by helping a new student.

**Elijah Arnold (1S)**- for showing great getting along skills by helping a new student.

**Hayley Sullivan (1S)**- for always being so organised and knowing which books to have ready.

**Lily Gauld (Prep Blue)** - for the confident way you shared about your holiday in front of your peers.

**Phoebe Doolan (10)** for being helpful in tying up Harry's shoelaces.

**Luke Abrahams (6K)** for being so cheerful and polite when greeting people each morning.

**Tharang Addepalli (6K)** for being so thoughtful towards others and playing so well each morning before school.

**Ella Scutt (1M)** – for being so friendly and helping others at play time.

**Caiden Sandilands (7D)** – for displaying great maturity when playing at lunch times.

**Jack Phelan (7W)** – for displaying good leadership skills at the ANZAC Day march.

**Rafael Mendoza 6D** – for being so helpful and friendly towards others.

**Mae Howard (3D)** – for being so polite and thoughtful of others.

### **WORKERS OF THE WEEK**

**Prep Blue Caelisz Leef** For settling into Prep Blue so confidently.

**Prep Green Joshua Williamson** For being so confident with your speaking this week and the super star effort you have put into your literacy activities. Keep it up!

**Prep Maroon Christopher Robinson** For the great detail and pride you put into all aspects of your work.

**Prep Gold Kata Girdpra** For taking your time to produce excellent work during classroom tasks. Your work is always neat and organised. Great job Kata.

**Year 1M Samuel Chick** For the kindness and consideration you have shown your classmates in 1M. Thank you and keep it up!

**Year 1O Lachlan MacDonald** For the outstanding effort you have put into your literacy activities this week, especially your Easter holiday writing. I am so impressed by your enthusiasm Lachlan!

**Year 1R Tess Winten** For the excellent effort you put in to learning about groups of items in Maths. Well done!

**Year 1S Jamie Purkis** For being a considerate and courteous class member who always tries their best at everything. Keep it up.

**Year 2D Kareisha Keighley** For the lovely way you have been working to the best of your ability in class. It is great to see you getting along well with your classmates. Well done Kareisha.

**Year 2H Harry Hoyes** Your holiday reflection was neat and very entertaining. Thank you for working so hard straight after the holidays. Well done.

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