ANZAC Day

Wreaths of red Flanders poppies are traditionally placed at memorials on ANZAC Day. On 25 April every year, Australians commemorate ANZAC Day. It commemorates the landing of Australian and New Zealand troops at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915. The date, 25 April, was officially named ANZAC Day in 1916.

ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. In 1917, the word ANZAC meant someone who fought at Gallipoli and later it came to mean any Australian or New Zealander who fought or served in the First World War. During the Second World War, ANZAC Day became a day on which the lives of all Australians lost in war time were remembered. The spirit of ANZAC recognises the qualities of courage, mateship and sacrifice which were demonstrated at the Gallipoli landing.

Commemorative services are held at dawn on 25 April, the time of the original landing, across the nation, usually at war memorials. This was initiated by returned soldiers after the First World War in the 1920’s as a common form of remembrance. The first official dawn service was held at the Sydney Cenotaph in 1927, which was also the first year that all states recognised a public holiday on the day. Initially dawn services were only attended by veterans who followed the ritual of 'standing to' before two minutes of silence was observed, broken by the sound of a lone piper playing the 'Last Post'. Later in the day, there were marches in all the major cities and many smaller towns for families and other well wishers. Today it is a day when Australians reflect on the many different meanings of war. Gatherings are held at war memorials across the country.

The Gallipoli Campaign

The ANZACs landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula at dawn on the 25th April and met fierce resistance. Instead of finding the flat beach they expected, they found they had been landed at an incorrect position and faced steep cliffs and constant barrages of enemy fire and shelling. Around 20,000 soldiers landed on the beach over the next two days. They faced a well organised, well armed, large Turkish force determined to defend their country - led by Mustafa Kemal, who later became Atatürk, the leader of modern Turkey.

Fighting on Gallipoli soon settled into a stalemate. The ANZAC's and the Turks dug in - literally - digging kilometres of trenches, and pinned down each other's forces with sniper fire and shelling. Thousands of Australian and New Zealand men died in the hours and days that followed the landing at that beach. The surviving diggers, as the Australians called themselves, hung on waiting for reinforcements. The stalemate ended in retreat with the evacuation of the ANZAC's on 20 December 1915. By then, 8,141 had been killed or died of wounds and more than 18,000 had been wounded.

The ANZAC Legend

The landing at Gallipoli was seen as a story of courage and endurance amongst death and despair, in the face of poor leadership from London, and unsuccessful strategies. War correspondents, such as Charles Bean, hailed the Australians for their dash in attack and doggedness in defense and the ANZAC legend was born.
Dear Parents
Welcome back everyone to Term 2. I hope you all had relaxing time and enjoyed the holidays as much as the staff. I have spoken to quite a few children and it sounds like a great deal of fun was had during the holidays. This term will be a busy one once again with Sacramental programmes, NAPLAN testing and UNSW Spelling and English Competitions to complement our usual learning programmes. We will be looking forward to the parental support that is so crucial to the success of the co-curricular activities that we undertake. We welcome Romane Brantus who has joined us from France for the term into Year 5.

ANZAC Day
Tomorrow at the students will remember the ANZAC’s at an ANZAC Day Liturgy at school.

On Saturday April 25, James Jensen, Grace Carroll, Ella De Marchi and Curren Boyes will represent OLC by taking part in the commemoration march on ANZAC Day. This is a great occasion to come along to show your support for this special day to remember the sacrifice the ANZAC’s gave for us.

Principal Leave
This year commencing June 8, I will be taking Principal Renewal Leave (PRL) and Long Service Leave. After being a principal for 10 years the CEO allows principals the opportunity to strengthen their leadership qualities by undertaking substantial and significant professional development through a course of study or similar experience related to educational, theological, pastoral or administrative responsibilities.

I have been fortunate enough to be accepted in Kansas State University and Michigan State University. I will be studying Educational Technology and Curriculum Leadership for 5 weeks at Kansas and then 5 weeks at Michigan where I will commence studying a Graduate Certificate in Educational Technology course. I will complete this course ‘online’ when I return home during my long service leave. I will be on leave commencing Monday, June 8 through to Friday, December 18, 2015.

OLC OPEN DAY
The OLC Open Day is scheduled for Tuesday 19th May 2015, 9:30am. This is an important date on the OLC school calendar as it gives the school an opportunity to showcase to the wider community what we currently have on offer, and what our vision is for the future.

So please, if you know of any families who have recently moved to town, or others who you know may be seeking a ‘school sea-change’ then please let them know about the Open Day, or to contact the office or visit the OLC website (www.ladyofcape.wa.edu.au) for further information regarding enrollments.

Kindergarten 2016
Applications for Enrolment are now being accepted for Kindergarten 2016. Children eligible for Kindergarten 2016 turn 4 years old on or between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016. Information regarding the school, enrolment criteria and procedures may be obtained from the office.

Enrolments
Please be aware that siblings are NOT automatically enrolled in the school. You must enrol siblings. If you have children who may be starting Kindergarten in 2016 please obtain an Enrolment Application from the office and return as soon as possible.

Mother’s Day Raffle
A big thank you to Summa for her generous donation of a cake to be used by the P&F to raffle for Mother’s Day. It was decided at the P&F meeting to place all the student’s names into a hat and draw out a winner. Many thanks for this kind offer. This raffle will be held on Friday 8 May after the morning assembly.
Carpark
Please be very careful when entering, parking and leaving the bottom carpark of the school. There have been a few concerns raised about care and safety in this carpark. Please be patient and LOOK for students and other cars.

NAPLAN
Students in Year 3, 5 and will participate in NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) on 12, 13, 14 May. These standardized tests assess students' reading, writing, language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy and are administered by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority [ACARA]. Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html

Medication in School Bags
No children are to have any type of medication in their school bags (the only exception is ventolin for students in the upper grades). If your child needs medication a Medication Form MUST be completed and handed to the front office.

Uniform Reminder
A reminder that all students must be in full winter uniform by Monday, May 4. At OLC we have always enjoyed a high standard of uniform presentation and it is important to ensure that the students are correctly attired at all times:

- The school jumper **must** be worn under the black school jacket, the jacket does not replace the jumper.
- Rugby tops are to be worn with sports uniform only.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Parents will be contacted by their classroom teacher regarding the timing and format of their parent/teacher interviews. This is an important part of our reporting process to parents.

Burnoff
There will be a burn off near the school next Wednesday, please refer to attached documentation.

2015 School Climate Survey
Next week we will be handing out to 60 parents within the school the InSight School Climate Survey. This survey was conducted 2 years ago. If you receive a survey could you please complete it and return to the office in the provided sealed envelope to the front office by Friday May 8.

Sun Sunday Gospel Reflection
Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year B)
Sunday's Gospel, John 10:11-18

Gospel Summary
Jesus tells us in today’s gospel that he is the Good Shepherd. He makes a distinction between good shepherds, hired hands, and wolves. As a good shepherd, Jesus knows his sheep and his sheep know him. He is so devoted to his sheep that he is willing to die for them. Not only is this image fitting for Jesus and God’s people, but it helps explain the love of God for his son

Reflection for Families
When we consider the people in our children’s lives, we find most of them represented in this scripture. There are the good shepherds. Mostly they are parents and grandparents or other relatives who significantly take care in our children’s upbringing. In this group we go to the limits for our children. Then there are hired hands who help us because they benefit in some way – usually monetarily. But when push comes to shove, how much of themselves will they invest? It even happens that sometimes the people we thought were shepherds turn out to be hired hands. Finally there are the wolves – all the things that distract the shepherds or lead the sheep away. As parents we need to be aware of who these people are in our children’s lives. We even need to look into our own hearts and desires and be certain that there are no wolves luring us from our precious sheep.
Have a great week

Alan Morrison
Principal

Our new school website is live. It can be accessed on the same web address:

www.ladyofcape.wa.edu.au

The latest Term 2 planner can be found in the calendar under quick links. Let us know what you think!

Great thanks to the staff, parents and students who assisted in the planning for our new site.

Our school value theme for this term is Appreciation. Over the term we will discuss with students our school expectations of Appreciation and how we show this at OLC. Please refer to our student expectations document (on the website) for your discussions at home as well as discussing with your children why and what we can appreciate in our lives.

Staff Professional Development Day - the OLC teaching staff had a productive PD yesterday. We learnt about and explored the AITSL Professional Teaching Standards (http://www.aitsl.edu.au/) as well as the highly influential and global work by Professor John Hattie. There are some great videos on youtube with John Hattie, particularly a terrific TED talk that can be accessed if you would like to know more. John Hattie’s research is guiding and supporting our teaching and learning practice. Our wonderful Educational Assistants worked with our wonderful ICT Technician, Janine Johnson, on utilising digital learning tools to support the learning in classroom.

Flexible Learning Spaces in Years 4-6. Feel free to visit these classes and see our exciting new furniture and class designs. Similar furniture is being purchased for Years 1-3.
Please also see attached latest Parenting Ideas Insights by Michael Grose – 10 Common Discipline Mistakes.

Looking forward to a great term.

Adrian Torrese
Assistant Principal

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School Fees

Term Statements will be issued to all families today. **It would appreciated if payment can be made promptly.** These payments go towards providing vital resources for your children’s education. Thank you for your support.
Naturaliste Community Centre
Sport, Fitness and Fun Activities for Kids and Adults
A range of sport, fitness and fun activities will be offered at the Naturaliste Community Centre, Dunsborough Lakes Drive, Dunsborough, for children and adults starting Term 2 on 20th April.

Junior Soccer - "Just for Kicks" - 6 to 12 year olds, Tuesdays from 3.45pm. Skills and matchplay.
Junior Netball - "Newbie Netball" - 5 - 9 year olds, Thursdays from 3.45pm. Skills and matchplay.
BootCamp Indoors - Mon & Wed 6am sharp - fun program to suit your own level, but no excuses.
Senior Basketball - Mondays from 6.30pm to 9pm team registrations are open until April 24th.
Group Fitness, great classes with qualified instructors - mornings and evenings - BodyPump, RPM - indoor cycling to music, BodyStep, Cross Training, Thump Boxing, Kettlercise - kettlebell weights.
Badminton - Tuesday, Fridays 10 am and Monday evenings 7pm
Table Tennis - Tuesday and Thursdays 1pm to 3pm
Call 9755 3966 or email ncc@busselton.wa.gov.au for further details.

Custom Kids Cakes
DIY Cupcake Parties
Themed Kids Party Catering
Contact Summa 0411 438 639
eatcake@sweetstylin.com.au
Have you ever looked at your children’s lunch boxes and needed inspiration for healthy foods that they will actually eat and enjoy?

On Wednesday the 29th of April at 7.30pm Gems Prep School will be holding a healthy lunch box information evening. Sarah Breheny will be talking about real whole foods and sharing easy to prepare, realistic alternatives to replace the standard bread and packet foods. The evening will include healthy lunch box ideas including snacks for morning and afternoon tea, the sugar content in pre packaged foods and how to read labels. Sarah will also be providing recipes and ideas that you can use. This event is free but please RSVP to Gems office@gemsprepschool.com.au or on 9755 3899.

Our run is offering a $200 prize to a local school for showing outstanding ‘School Spirit’ in entering the fun run as a school team. Nominations close Friday 5th June and there will be NO RACE DAY NOMINATIONS.

Booking Travel
For any OLC Family or Staff Member who makes a new booking from 1 March to 31 December 2015, the Team at helloworld Dunsborough will donate 1% of the booking value (excluding taxes) to the OLC P&F.