Once again our students have done us proud by representing the school at the ANZAC ceremony on Saturday by saying a few words, unveiling the plaque to commemorate 100 years of the landing at Gallipoli and laying flowers at the monument. Well Done students.

On Sunday the students had a Mother’s Day stall at the market which was quite successful. All students had a shift to do and they did this with enthusiasm and pride. A special thank you must go to Debbie Dowling who came and helped the students bake Anzac biscuits to sell, which were a big hit. The market committee have asked if the students would be interested in having a stall each month. The general consensus with the students is a yes and as part of a Mathematical project they are going to develop a small business plan with a product that they think will sell at the market. They will have to work out profit and loss margins and develop advertising around this. Students would only be required to attend and man the stall at the market on the day they were selling their products.

The first Apsley Alligators Playgroup was yesterday and it was lovely to see some new faces at school. Keryn Smith from Naracoorte is running this program and there looked to be a lot of happy little faces participating in playdough activities, painting and construction. All children ranging from babies through to school age are more than welcome to attend with their parent/s. Sessions begin at 9.30 and finish around 11.30 on a Thursday. More details can be obtained from the school. A huge thank you needs to go to the parent club who as helped financially to set this up.

On Wednesday 6th May the students in years 3-6 will travel to Balmoral to participate in the Cross country. Mr Bruce will drive the bus and be supervising the students. There will be room for parents to attended as well. Please let me know if you would like to go.

At our recent School Council meeting it was discussed that we have a great deal of jobs to do before the reunion weekend in June. It seems to be quite difficult to co-ordinate a working bee at the moment with various families having sporting commitments. We decided that we would devise a list of what needed to be done and if you have some spare time maybe you could attempt one or two of these at your leisure. It would be greatly appreciated.

Tanya Turner
Parents Club

The Parent Club are now running their Lorraine Lea Linen Raffle. There are great prizes to be won. Check out the photographs and descriptions below. Tickets are $2.00 each or 3 for $5.00. Drawn on Sunday 7th June. (These are attached to newsletter. Please sell both sides)

1st Prize
Quilt Queen Size - Healthy Fibre valued at $180

2nd Prize
Supima Towel Range includes 2 bath towels, handtowel, facewasher and bath mat. Valued at $131.00

3rd Prize
Apron, mitten & pot holder & three tea towels valued at $60

Mother’s Day Luncheon
Sunday 10th May
Mothers Day Lunch at the Border Inn
a la carte menu, special desserts & warm fires.

Lucky ticket prizes given out on arrival - for flowers, chocolates & champagne.

Bookings Essential
Phone: 55861205

Naracoorte Junior Table Tennis 2015
Monday 11th May, 5.00 - 6.00pm.
At the table tennis hall, Price Ave. Next to the Michelle De Garis Kindergarten.

Second term dates 11th May to 29th June.
Third term dates 20th July to 14 September.

Beginners and players with experience are all welcome, players can come when they are able to. Some tuition will be provided.

Parental help is very much appreciated.

More details contact Tracy Westover on 8762 2818 or Derek James on 04 1881 8871

Apsley Primary School Reunion - June long weekend

Next Meeting
Monday 4th May
7 pm at School. All welcome to attend.
We are still seeking old photographs and memorabilia.

Working Bee Jobs List - Needs to be done before June long weekend,

- Outside of Vegie Patch needs weeding, pea straw laid and then bark chips.
- Veggie Patch—compost put on all beds.
- Shelter Shed - Cleaned out / outside cleaned / seating replaced around the outside.
- Ramp - some timber decking needs replacing and then all decking oiled.
- Soft fall put under playground.
- Windows need cleaning inside and out.
- Various painting jobs.
- Student toilets floor needs pressure cleaning.
What does ANZAC mean to you?

ANZAC Day is a day that I can remember those who fought for our country and gave us the freedom we have today. It’s a special day that I can stop and think about how lucky we are to have such a great country and remind us of how we got there on a long hard journey. ANZAC Day is a day that I go to my local service and take one minute silence to remember the soldiers that dedicated there lives to fight for our country.       By Alex Hunn, Year 5

On ANZAC Day I go to the memorial service. At the service we lay poppies and sometimes I lay a wreath. I also do a minute silence and remember the people who have passed away from wars. We celebrate the soldiers who gave their lives to the war. On ANZAC Day we have a march to the hall. After that we have afternoon tea at the RSL hall.

By Hayden Trowbridge, Year 6

On ANZAC Day we go to the ANZAC service and have one-minute silence to remember the people that died in wars. We also listen to ANZAC song and speeches. I feel that there should not be wars in the world. I enjoy making ANZAC biscuits to remember those who fought at war.       By Hamish Braithwaite, Year 4

We all gather together to remember those who fought for our country. We have a minute silence and I think about the people who died to protect our country so we could be here today. I think mostly about the Gallipoli where a great deal of soldiers died and where the poppies grew. I also think about the people that caught bombs for fifty hours straight and those who ran over the firing line. I think about those who saved each other’s lives and those who fought for four years and survived. This year we celebrate 100 years since Gallipoli.       By Eloise Turner, Year 5

People go marching in the streets. Soldiers went to war to fight for Australia. Horses also went to war. Dogs went to war to help the soldiers. We make ANZAC biscuits. We make poppies to wear on our clothes.       By Trinity Mortiz, Year 1

I feel sad thinking about all the soldiers who fought for us and passed away. The ANZAC’s landed at the wrong location, which was ANZAC cove. I also think about the soldiers that lied about their age so they could go to war. I think that it is very sad. I think about all the people who died to protect our country and remember them on ANZAC Day. This year is celebrating a hundred years since Gallipoli.       By Erin Ewer, Year 5

On ANZAC Day 25th of April the soldiers went to Gallipoli to fight for land. People have died to protect our country. I appreciate that people went to war to fight for us. People were shot before they got out of the boat.       By Damon Grigg, Year 3

ANZAC Day is when people wear their medals and march. People make ANZAC biscuits. ANZAC biscuits are what they sent because they would stay fresh. We all gather to remember the people who went to war to keep us safe. It is on the 25th of April. The dawn service is at 6am and is the first service. On ANZAC Day I remember the people who went to war and fought for our country.       By Sam Murphy, Year 6

ANZAC Day is when we remember all the people who went to war. We come together to remember the soldiers in a minute of silence. At the war memorial we lay wreaths and flowers for people who fought. We march and wear badges to remember. We also have Remembrance Day to remember when the war ended; on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. This year is 100 years of ANZAC.       By Darcy Ewer, Year 6
Once again we have had another successful morning in the kitchen this week. The students made fried rice, apple turnovers and apple and cinnamon muffins. Also on the Tuesday as part of our Japanese lesson the students made sushi, which we also had for lunch. Thank you goes to Debbie, Mary and Olivia for their assistance in the kitchen and to Mr Bruce for donating the yummy apples.

Apsley Alligators Playgroup began this Thursday at school with a keen group of children. There was a variety of activities for the children to experiment and play with. This group caters for children ranging from babies right through to school age. They meet on Thursdays 9.30 - 11.30. More details can be obtained from Kerryn Smith on 0427710205.