Grade 2
Home Communication
27th April, 2015

Important Dates

TERM 2

Grade 2 Soccer Clinics will be run during P.E - Classes on Tuesday 14th, 21st and 28th April

5th May
Japanese Day

7th May
Mothers’ Day Stall and Morning Activity

8th June
Queen’s Birthday

9th June
Curriculum Day

11th June
Leadership Day

Anzac Day

Anzac Day is the anniversary of the landing on Gallipoli in 1915. It is the day on which we remember Australians who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations. The spirit of Anzac, with its human qualities of courage, mateship, and sacrifice, continues to have meaning and relevance for our sense of national identity.

The Poppy is for Sacrifice

The red poppy has become a symbol of war remembrance the world over. People in many countries wear the poppy to remember those who died in war or who still serve. Poppies flower in Turkey in early spring - as it did in April 1915 when the ANZACs landed at Gallipoli. A valley south of ANZAC beach got its name Poppy Valley “from the field of brilliant red poppies near its mouth”.

We would like to thank all the students who shared medals, stories and literature to help us remember these amazing Australians.

A special thank-you to Antonio for inviting his father Paul to share information and answer questions about the Army. (Please see pictures on the next page)

This week in Grade 2 the children will be focusing their learning on:

Writing - Narrative and sentence starters
Reading – Texts, features and questioning
Mathematics - Number - Subtraction

Notices Sent Home Last Week

- Entertainment Book Fundraiser
- Mother’s Day Morning Tea

LEST WE FORGET
Congratulations to our Stars of the Week!

2JV— Frankie S for her amazing, 'My Great Success' Recount about finishing her Triathlon.

2C— Amy W for synergising with her class to help raise awareness of others in need. What a champion!

2W— Jenny for her excellent listening skills and Proactive behaviour. You are a star!

2M— Jesse B for Putting First Things First and writing such a detailed and exciting recount about the first soccer game he won. Congratulations, Jesse!

Thank-you to Antonio’s father, Paul for speaking to the children about remembering those who have served for Australia. We are also thankful for those individuals who still continue to dedicate their time for our country.
7 HABITS AT HOME

The Parktone Community has learnt a lot about the 7 Habits and we are learning how to apply these habits at school and in our daily lives. The ideas included here are to help your family use these habits at home.

Pick a chore or task that you have not been asked to do. Do it before you are asked. See if someone noticed. Talk with your family about your choice or the task you chose to do.

PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST:

Work First, Then Play

2015 Premiers’ Reading Challenge...........IT’s not TOO LATE TO REGISTER!
Keep counting down the days and stay motivated throughout the Challenge.
For more information on the Challenge visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Science Fact with Ms Ziogos

Did you know that the three largest oceans on Earth are the Pacific Ocean (largest), the Atlantic Ocean (second largest) and the Indian Ocean (third largest). Found in the Pacific Ocean, the Mariana Trench is the deepest known point in the world’s oceans. Water covers around 70% of the Earth’s surface.

Art Room Resources needed

If any families have wire coat hangers and blocks of wood from building projects the art room would love to take them of your hands.
These will be used across some year levels to create indigenous sculptures over Term 2.
Your donations would be greatly appreciated.
Mrs Poulter - Visual Art