Dear Families,

MATERNITY LEAVE

Mrs Christina Krajinovic begins her maternity leave today. We wish her all the best as she awaits the birth of her second child.

ANZAC DAY (TOMORROW)

ANZAC Day - 25th April - is probably Australia’s most important national occasion. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces quickly became known as ANZACS and the pride that they took in that name endures to this day.

WHY IS THIS DAY SPECIAL TO AUSTRALIANS?

When war broke out in 1914 Australia had been a federal commonwealth for only 14 years. The new national government was eager to establish its reputation among 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 25th April, meeting fierce resistance from the Turkish defenders. What had been planned as a bold strike 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 25th 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 bequeathed 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. The spirit of Anzac is an integral part of our Australian heritage. The ideals of our ANZACS encompass comradeship, courage and sacrifice as well as laughter, pride and love of life. This is the heritage of every Australian. This spirit extends beyond the battlefields to our schools, our sporting fields, our communities. Gallipoli was a terrible loss, yet in its sacrifice were sown our seeds of national identity and pride.

We take this opportunity to give thanks for those who have given their lives that we might live in peace and pray that their sacrifices might inspire us to continue to work for peace in our world.

“God our Father, we give thanks for the freedom and opportunity of choice that we have available to us in our nation. We express our gratitude and thanks for those who sacrificed much, if not all, on our behalf. May they be at peace with you.

REMINDER ANZAC DAY IS A PUBLIC HOLIDAY – NO SCHOOL TOMORROW

RESURRECTION DAY

Thanks to all the families who supported Resurrection Day. We began with Mass, which allowed us time to pray, celebrate and reflect on the fact that we are all ‘Resurrection people’.

After lunch the whole school gathered for a school concert led by Miss Jacinta Carauna who sang many of the latest hits. The children enjoyed the music and joined in by dancing and clapping along to the songs!

After the concert the children enjoyed a great range of stalls (as can be seen in the photos). Overall, everyone had a fantastic day due to the planning and coordination of staff assisted by and the support of families.
This weekend we welcome the following children who will come fully to the table of the Lord as they celebrate their First Communion:

**Saturday 27th April 6.00 pm**
- Mom Daw
- Vincent Dinh
- Riak Daw
- Natalie Tormey
- Mekayla Tapuala-Unasa
- Kon Daw
- Jayden Korparic
- Christian Doganieri
- Arop Ayuel

**Sunday 28th April 9.00 am**
- Simon Le
- Richard Mai
- Alakiir Deng
- Julie Nguyen
- Noel Tesaluna
- Jade Nguyen
- Jennifer Do

**Sunday 28th April 10.30 am**
- Patrick Mendoza
- Rhea Salalila
- Caleb Way
- Aro Malang
- Timmy Vo
- Richmonn Alejandrino
- Dan Ho
- Tammy Truong
- Tristan Daa
- Kayla Le

*May they continue to be nourished through the Eucharist and their belonging within our Parish community.*

**PREP ENROLMENTS 2014**

2014 Prep Enrolments open on Monday 22nd April. Application forms can be obtained from the school office from that day. Please complete and return the enrolment application form together with Birth, Baptism, Visa (if born overseas) and Immunisation Certificates as soon as possible. Your child needs to be 5 years old by 30th April 2014 to begin Prep in 2014. Applications close on 14th June.

**RESURRECTION SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS for PREP 2014 FAMILIES**

Open Mornings: On Thursday 9th May and Monday 13th May at 9.15am and we will have school tours. If you know someone with a child starting in Prep next year (and they are a Parishioner) please ask them to come along and see our school in action!

**MOTHERS’ DAY STALL GIFT WRAPPING**

If you are able to help wrap gifts for the Mother’s Day stall on Tuesday 30th April at 9.00am and Wednesday 8th May at 2.15pm please leave your name at the office, even if you are only able to help for an hour it would be really appreciated.

**MOTHERS’ DAY STALL: FRIDAY 10TH MAY**

If you are able to help on the Mother’s Day Stall on Friday 10th May from 9 am please leave your name in the office. **All gifts are $5.00 each.** Please send a plastic bag with your child to bring their gift home.
**IN-SERVICE DAYS**

On **Monday 6th May** and **Tuesday 7th May** there will be no school for children on these days as the staff will be participating in a two day in-service.

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**SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

The first Wednesday of each month all parish groups meet for prayer (7.15pm) and then break off into their groups. The School Advisory Council meets in the school (7.30pm-8.30pm) and its aims are to:

**At our meeting next Wednesday 1st May we plan to:**

Prepare Supper for the other groups (**reminder to please bring a plate**)

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**CHANGE OF TIMETABLE**

Due to the Year 5/6 Camp next week, there will be a change to the specialist program. Students in **Years 1 and 2** will have specialist lessons on **Wednesday** next week. Students in **Years 5 and 6** will have specialist lessons on **Thursday** next week.

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**PRAYER**

*God our Father, we give thanks for the freedom and opportunity of choice that we have available to us in our nation. We express our gratitude and thanks for those who sacrificed much, if not all, on our behalf.

**AMEN.**

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**Thought for the Week**

*It isn’t strength most people lack it is perseverance*

Anon

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**Best Wishes**

**John Kremers**

Principal

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**WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS**

Resurrection will be running a variety of parent workshops.

When?  Monday’s 2:30-3:15

Where?  Magdalene Room

Starting Date- Monday 13th May

Would you like to teach your child how to:

*Cope with life’s ups and downs?  *Develop independence and persistence?  *Be more resilient?  
*Develop lifelong skills to deal with anxiety?  *Use problem solving skills to cope in life?  

For further information contact Helen Belden
Following the success of the Earn and Learn program last year, from which we were able to purchase a number of resources for our school, we are participating in this program again.

**It’s simple to participate:** From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, when you shop at Woolworths you will be given a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent. Please bring your points to school and place them in the collection box. We will then send the completed sticker cards back Woolworths and be able to purchase some great resources for our school.

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**RUN AROUND AUSTRALIA WITH BRIMBANK CENTRAL**

Our school is participating in Run Around Australia with Brimbank Central Shopping Centre!

Run Around Australia is part the ‘Lets Live Better’ initiative. Last year the promotion was themed as “Canteen Rescue”.

The Run Around Australia Campaign is designed to positively influence children’s (and their parents’) food and lifestyle choices while offering school communities a great way to obtain additional funding.

The campaign commences on **Monday 15th April** and continues until **26th May 2012**, for a 5 week period. Each dollar spent at Brimbank Central Shopping Centre by your school supporters will help our school to earn kilometres on our ‘Run Around Australia.’

Winning cash and prizes for our school is really simple:
**One dollar = one kilometre**

Please bring your receipts to school.

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**MATHS PROBLEM SOLVING**

Congratulations to the following students who submitted answers to last week’s problem:

Anthony Galea, Rohan Bangera (Room 1), Isabela Macapolo (Room 5), Kyle Silverstre (Room 1), Vincent Dinh (Room 11), Sophia Oenning (Room 13), Sacreana Sapa’u (Room 2), Audrey Moody (Room 3), Ethan Apap (Room 4), Marcus Strmota (Room 6).

Points awarded this week:

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We invite all students to have a go at answering the questions for Week 2. Please remember to write your **first name and last name** on the entry 😊
Each entry will earn 5 points for your house colour. We ask students to have a go and do their best (and they may choose to answer from another level if too difficult or too easy) and points are awarded for trying, not for having the correct answer. Students who enter will also have their names published in the school newsletter and there will be occasional small prizes awarded. Good luck!

Entries are due by Monday mornings at 9am. You may write your entry on the space provided, cut it out and give it to your teacher to place in your classroom office tub by Monday. Thank you 😊

### Week 2 questions

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**PARISH NEWS**

**Special Ministers of Communion**
There is an expectation that parishioners who commit to the Ministry of Special Minister of Communion will undertake on-going formation to deepen their understanding of the Eucharist.

At the meeting for Special Ministers last month it was decided to watch the movie “Babette’s Feast” as a group and then reflect on the self-giving shown in the movie with the self-giving of the Risen Jesus in the Eucharist. The movie will be shown in the hall on Friday 26 April at 7pm. By way of preparation the author’s introduction to a book called Eucharist has been photocopied. All Special Ministers of Communion are requested to (1) attend the movie and (2) pick up their copy and read it beforehand.

**Anzac Day**
There will be a special Mass celebrated at 10am on Anzac Day. The Mass will be offered for family members of Resurrection parishioners who fought for their country.

**Can We Proclaim Better?**
Of course we can.
How might this come about? It simply just will not happen; it requires action.
If you are a Proclaimer of God’s Word there are three opportunities coming up for you to do as the Liturgical documents insist; participate in on-going formation.
On Tuesday 28 May and Tuesday 4 June there are liturgical formation workshops for “Readers of God’s Word” to be held in the Cathedral Room of the Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne.
Fr Gary Walker has offered to come over and drive four parishioners committed to this ministry into the city for either of these workshops. Fr Noel will also take four parishioners on the second night as he has our R.C.I.A. Enquiry Night on the 28 May. That is twelve Proclaimers. Please reserve your place by contacting the Parish Office.
On Thursday 13 June after our 7pm Mass we will have our own workshop and will hopefully all benefit from the experience of those who attended the workshops in the city.
In the meantime there is no substitute to careful and prayerful preparation.

**Annual Mass Count**
During the four weekends of May the Archdiocese requests that all parishes take a Mass count at each Mass.
We do have “clickers” to assist in this process but for it to be done properly we a person at each door. It would require coming about 25 minutes before Mass commences.
Should you be able to help please leave your name at the Welcome Desk of Parish Office. This is a great idea for some of our younger parishioners to “get involved”.

**Maltese Celebration**
For several years some of our Maltese parishioners have organized a special celebration at a 10.30am Mass during August. During the Mass costumes, hymns, and Maltese tradition have been recognized. After Mass Maltese singing, dancing and food have been shared. The parishioners who have organized this annual event are no longer able to continue; therefore there will be a meeting for any Maltese parishioners interested in organizing this event on Saturday 4 May in the Parish Office at 11am.
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