

# 'WINGS' J J Cahill Memorial High School

newsletter



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### COMING EVENTS

25 May	- Discovery Day
26 May	- Athletics Carnival
28 May	- Zone Cross Country Carnival
29 May	- School Vaccinations
1-5 June	- Year 10 Half Yearly Exams
8 June	- Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
9-12 June	- Year 10 Work Experience
18 June	- Zone Athletics Carnival



### AN UPDATE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

### ENCOURAGING RESULTS FROM PREVIOUS NAPLAN TESTS

The NAPLAN assessment program was scheduled for Year 7 and 9 students in Week 4 of Term 2. The school has been very proud of the measured growth our students have been able to record in Reading and Numeracy in recent years. It is a great example of the continual commitment and intensive work our staff demonstrate to the learning and development of our students. This is also a credit to the students and the way they have responded with working with teachers. We look forward to receiving the results of our current Years 7 and 9 students and analyse where our teaching programs can further support their learning.

### COMMEMORATING ANZAC DAY

The school held a commemorative ceremony for ANZAC day on Thursday 23 April. In 2015 we acknowledged the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landing at Anzac Cove, Gallipoli.

Due respect was afforded to all fallen Australian, New Zealand and Turkish soldiers. Adam Burke attended the service and spoke of his service history as a soldier in the Australian Army. Students not only led the service with the laying of the wreath, the Ode and the Last Post but also via prayers and poems in Maori, a Turkish letter as written by Turkish leader, Mustafa Ataturk, and the National Anthems of Australia, New Zealand and Turkey.

It was a very moving and respectful ceremony marking the centenary of the landing at Gallipoli. Photos (below and over page) show elements of the day.





## GREAT THINGS IN STORE WITH THE SCHOOL STRATEGIC PLAN!!

The school has recently published its strategic plan for the next three years.

After much consultation with the community, staff and students and the collation and analysis of surveys, the school decided to have Student Learning, Staff Professional Development and School Promotion and Community Engagement as the three strategic directions. School resources will be allocated appropriately and detailed plans and timelines will be created. The school will connect with experts who will enable us to develop further in the three strategic areas for student and school growth.

Community members can access details of the Strategic plan on the school website. Alternatively they can call the school for a copy.

## DR ANDREW FULLER AND SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY

On Saturday 20 June 2015 commencing at 8am JJCMHS staff will engage in a school development day in the school library. For this event the school has engaged Dr Andrew Fuller, a clinical psychologist, to lead staff in the connection between brain activity and pedagogy as well as looking at resilience and exam preparation. All members of the community are welcome to join staff on this day. Please RSVP to Mr Mifsud by 16 June 2015

John Mifsud,  
Deputy Principal





## ANZAC DAY CEREMONIES AT MASCOT AND ANZAC COVE

On Saturday 19<sup>TH</sup> March, 2015, Mr Drabsch accompanied students in attending the Mascot Anzac Day march, where Yusuf Nayir of Year 12 gave a reading (pictured below).

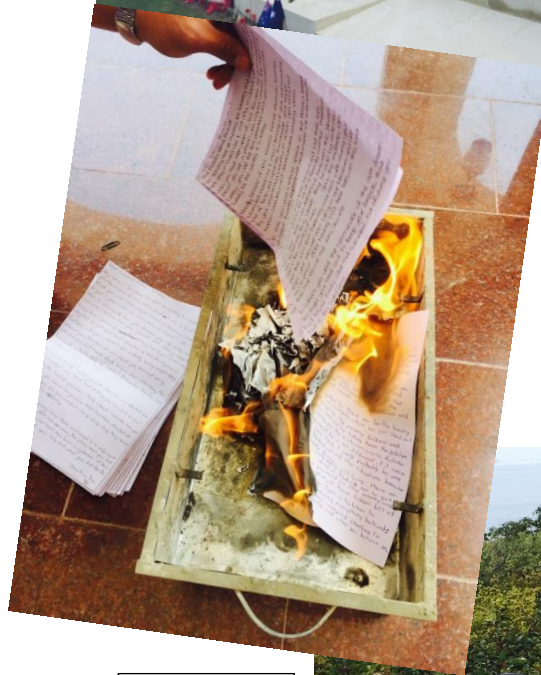


### MR MILLS' VERY SPECIAL VISIT TO ANZAC COVE

Being a returned serviceman and having served for over 20 years in the Australian Army, ANZAC Day has always been a very special day for me personally. This year a ballot for tickets to the Centenary Commemoration was held by the Australian Federal Government and I was fortunate enough to gain a ticket to the service at ANZAC Cove.

Wanting to ensure that I was keeping the ANZAC spirit alive and really wanting to promote the centenary, within the school, I approached the English Faculty and asked if they could incorporate a letter writing task into a lesson. A student would write a letter introducing themselves to a fallen ANZAC soldier, who they researched beforehand.

The letters I received were fantastic and really tore at my heartstrings as they were written from the heart and were a true reflection of the students' thoughts and understanding of the task at hand. The letters accompanied me on my pilgrimage to Gallipoli, I burnt the letters and scattered the ashes of those letters at ANZAC Cove, and forevermore the thoughts, prayers and sentiments from our students to the fallen soldiers will be a part of ANZAC Cove, Gallipoli. I was deeply humbled by our students letters and I am proud to know that our students letters are on the shores of ANZAC Cove.



*Mr Rob Mills  
burning and  
scattering  
student letters  
to fallen  
soldiers at  
Anzac Cove,  
Gallipoli*



Rob Mills,  
SRC Co-ordinator

## 2015 CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL RESULTS

Congratulations to the following students for their great performance at the schools Cross Country Carnival. All of the students below are eligible to attend the Zone Cross Country Carnival on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May, and students will receive a formal notice about this soon.

12 Years	
Boys	Girls
1. Louis Martin	1. Lili-Scarlet Furey
2. Con Comminos	2. Paige McGuiness
3. Jadan Youd	3. Georgia De La Torre
4. Darren Chueng	4. Candy Nzomuhaya
	5. Penny Hawel
	6. Daniella Manning-Shlemon

13 Years	
Boys	Girls
1. Jordan Hill	1. Jada Karam
2. Peter Syed	2. Kiana Kifoto
3. Tomy Yousif	3. Kyisha Sue
4. Ricjky Escalona	4. Sila Yildiz
5. Hatchie Luihenue	5. Zeynep Aksoy
6. Lachlan Anlezark-Wright	6. Jesalyn Antonio

14 Years	
Boys	Girls
1. Arnei Te-Hira	NIL
2. Eslam Bakr	
3. Ali Baddour	
4. Dirga Lie	

15 Years	
Boys	Girls
NIL	1. Emily Errington
	2. Amy Errington
	3. Bronte Edwards
	4. Aleyshia Jimenez-Wafer
	5. Cynthia Ngabire

16 Years	
Boys	Girls
1. Haydn Scott	NIL
2. Seiji David	
3. Henry Nancarrow	
4. Jack Manttan	
5. Toby Alesana-Rennie	
6. Rodger Taylor	

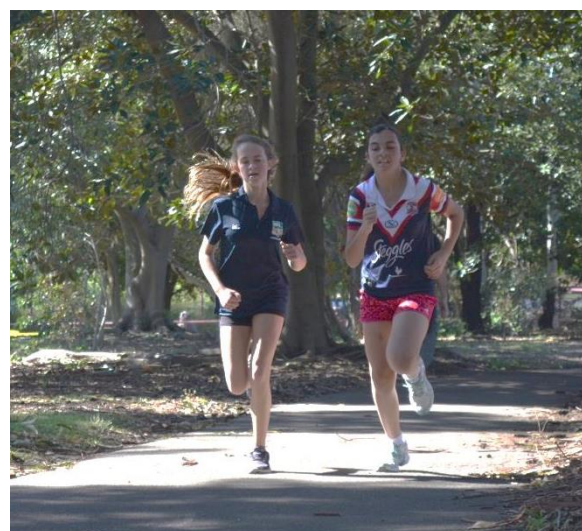
17+ Years	
Boys	Girls
1. Dylon Vieira	1. Pembe Sevgin
2. Spiro Spinoulis	2. Lusa Polamalu
3. Yusuf Nayir	3. Marie Remondos
4. Daniel Alter	4. Kiara De La Torre
5. Anthony Vrontas	
6. Isaac Real	

Bike Race	
Boys	Girls
1. Josh Fares	1. Taylah Sturgeon
2. Dimitri Magklis	2.
3. Arnei Te-Hira	3.
4. Juan Mejia-Gonzalez	4.
5. Kirril Bartenev	3.
6. Tal Izenberg	4.
7. Lachlan Walker	5.
8. Luke Egan (DNF)	6.
9.	7.
10.	8.





## 2015 CROSS COUNTRY – WHAT A GREAT DAY!



Nathan Potter,  
Sports Co-ordinator

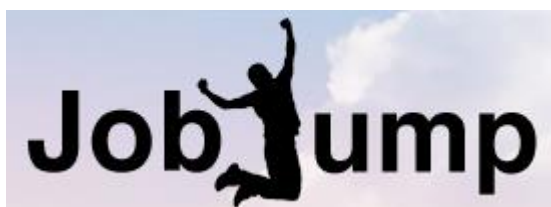


## AN EXCITING TIME AHEAD FOR YEAR 2015!

### Year 10 Work Experience

Year 10 will be commencing work experience during Week 8 this term (Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November - 2<sup>nd</sup> December). Students need to ensure that they hand in all completed forms including the **Student Placement Record** otherwise the work experience cannot take place as these forms are necessary for insurance coverage to take effect. The **Parents and Carers Guide to Workplace Learning** was distributed to all students to give to their parents or carers. If you did not receive this please ask your child for this copy or alternatively go to [www.det.nsw.edu.au/vetinschools/worklearn/worklearnpolicy.html](http://www.det.nsw.edu.au/vetinschools/worklearn/worklearnpolicy.html) and download this document.

Year 10, please keep those work experience forms coming in!!!



Recently the school was lucky to have Gary Grant, the creator of JobJump, present to students and staff about this online careers tool that the school has subscribed to. Students, parents and staff can register to receive personalised career information and support, and caregivers can see what opportunities there are for the student, to help support them. Below you can find instructions in 3 easy steps on how to access this.

1. Go to <https://jobjump.com.au/> and in the "school" box type in "j.j" and the schools full name will appear.
2. Provide your **email address** that you check the most into the "email address" box and remember that you can access this web site until Year 13 (one year after finishing Year 12) only if you use your personal email **not your school one**.
3. The first time you register you will be asked for a "one off" password that you will never need again which is; **jjc**

Nathan Potter,  
Careers Teacher

**Parents Talking Careers Choices** is a publication to inform parents about how and what to discuss with their child relating to making career choices.

This publication can be found at <http://www.jobguide.thegoodguides.com.au/> and is also available in 30 different languages.

### ANNUAL WOMENS' LEADERSHIP SEMINAR – SRC

On Friday 6th March, we had the opportunity to attend the annual Women's Leadership Seminar at NSW Parliament House. We arrived to school early and caught a taxi with Mr Mills to Parliament House. On our arrival we went through security and made our way to a theatre like room where we received an introduction on women in politics.



A member of the parliamentary staff spoke to us about her past careers and how she ended up in politics. After our brief, we were taken to the lower house, or Legislative Assembly. We were given a brief history on the architecture of the "green room" and the role of the Lower House. We then proceeded to the Upper House or Legislative Council, we were given a brief history on the room and its role, which is to review bills being

passed.

The day concluded with three guest speakers discussing their views on women in politics. It was a great day shared with many other schools and we learnt a lot about the role of women in leadership. We are very grateful to have been given this opportunity.

Louisa De Angeli,  
Tamara Soto.  
Year 11 SRC Representatives

## MRS PRASAD'S SUPPORT CLASS PREPARES SOME DELICIOUS FOOD!

Students from the Support Unit thoroughly enjoyed preparing and eating some healthy food this term. On the menu was a yummy and nutritious chicken stir fry with noodles! Looks delicious!



Bhagwati Prasad,  
Home Economics Teacher



## ONLINE PAYMENTS

### DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN MAKE PAYMENTS TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL ONLINE?

We have launched a new online payment portal linked to the school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

#### What expenses can be paid online?

- Subject Contributions
- Voluntary School Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport
- Sales to Students
- Other

#### When?

24 hours a day, seven days a week.

#### How?

Log onto School site at [www.jjcahill-h.school](http://www.jjcahill-h.school)  
Click on "\$ Make a payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or MasterCard.

When you access the \$ Make a payment you must enter:

- the student's name, and
- class and reference number
- OR
- the student's name, and
- date of birth.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact me on 9669 5118 ext 106.

Amalia Prelec,  
School Administration Manager



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**Parenting skills for resolving teenage behaviour problems**

Maintaining positive and constructive channels of communication is one of the most important skills that adults must have when living with teenagers. This workshop aims to provide parents with effective tools and strategies in the following:

- Identifying normal and acceptable teenage behaviour
- Family life with teenagers and how to build positive and respectful relationships
- How to manage challenging behaviour from your teenager

**WHEN:** Saturday 27 June 2015  
**TIME:** Please arrive at 9.15am for registration.  
 The course runs from 9.30am to 3.30pm  
**WHERE:** Pagewood Central Library,  
 Westfield Eastgardens Shopping Centre  
 Banks Ave, Eastgardens NSW 2035  
**COST:** *FREE GROUP. Workbook, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided.*  
**BOOKINGS:** Please contact Patrick or Yasmin on 9366 3889 or  
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