



# St. John's School & Catholic Community Kindergarten *Silkwood*

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Kindy to  
Year 6

## Term 1 - Week 10 Bulletin

**"Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud!"** *Maya Angelou*

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### 2nd April

- ◆ Holy Thursday
- ◆ Easter Bonnet Parade at assembly (School & Kindy combined)

#### 3rd April

- ◆ Good Friday

#### 20th April

- ◆ Commence Term 2

#### 21st April

- ◆ Kindy recommences

#### 24th April

- ◆ ANZAC Day Ceremony at St John's 10.00am

#### 25th April

- ◆ ANZAC Day
- ◆ Kindy sausage sizzle at King Reef following the ANZAC parade

#### 1st May

- ◆ SMCSA Cross Country

#### 3rd May

- ◆ Feast of the 3 Saints

#### 4th May

- ◆ Pupil Free Day

#### 12th - 14th May

- ◆ NAPLAN assessment

#### 15th May

- ◆ NAPLAN catchup day

#### 18th - 23rd May

- ◆ Book Fair

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

As the term draws to a close I would like to thank our families for the support you have shown to both myself and the staff at St John's throughout the term. I asked all families at the beginning of the year to 'buy in' and work in partnership with us and I have certainly seen this in action. I must praise those families who have brought concerns directly to me or staff and not become involved in carpark gossip. I believe we are tracking well and that our students have laid strong foundations from which to build over the coming three terms.

Term Two is traditionally very busy with many interruptions and events that require parent support. I trust all our families will continue to support the staff and St John's as we strive towards reaching new heights.

Thank you to all families and friends who supported our Cross Country event last week. This was a wonderful chance to celebrate the importance of physical activity and congratulate those with exceptional running stamina. I was most pleased with the support our students showed each other and the way our students and families conducted themselves. I am now looking forward to the Athletics Carnival in Term Three.

I would like to wish all families a safe and holy Easter holiday and I pray that you get plenty of quality family time. I would like to share this prayer with you all as we journey even closer to Easter:

***Merciful and everliving God, Creator of Heaven and Earth, the crucified body of your Son was laid in the tomb and rested on Easter Saturday. Grant that we may await with him the dawning of the third day and rise in newness of life, through Jesus our Redeemer. Amen***

Yours sincerely,

*Scott Whitters* Acting Principal

#### HOLY THURSDAY, 2 APRIL

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm Tully  
Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm Silkwood

#### GOOD FRIDAY, 3 APRIL

Stations of the Cross, 10am Tully  
Stations of the Cross, 10am Mission Beach  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3pm Tully  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3pm Silkwood  
Liturgy of the Word, 3pm Mission Beach  
Liturgy of the Word, 3pm Cardwell



#### EASTER SATURDAY VIGIL, 4 APRIL

Liturgy of the Light and Mass, 6pm Silkwood  
Liturgy of the Light and Mass, 7pm Tully

#### EASTER SUNDAY 5 APRIL

Mass, 7am Mission Beach  
Mass, 9.30am Cardwell

*Always Reaching for New Heights*



## Interhouse Cross Country Age Champions

Congratulations to the following students who competed with merit at last Friday's cross country carnival. Francis won the points trophy while Mackillop took home the War Cry trophy.

	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
5 years	Ella	
6 years	Stevie	Kade
7 years	Evina	Jackiah
8 years	Hannah	
9 years	Wavey	Ryan
10 years	Dimi	Pavel
11 years	Leanne	Arvind
12 years	Liam	



## Pest alert

### Panama Tropical Race 4

*"Biosecurity Queensland is investigating a case of Panama disease (tropical race 4) in Tully. There are four (4) races of Panama disease, with the tropical race 4 strain posing the most serious threat to the commercial banana industry. Panama disease causes yellowing and dying of banana leaves. Plants affected by Panama disease may appear wilted with a skirt of dead leaves. Panama disease, including the tropical race 4 strain, is easily spread by the movement of infected planting material. The disease can also be spread by soil and water. Anything that moves soil, such as contaminated machinery and equipment, vehicles, shoes, can carry the disease."*



*With the school holidays quickly approaching, Biosecurity Queensland is asking parents to remind their children not to play on, or enter banana farms without permission from the property owner. It's important the local community supports banana farmers by respecting their on-farm biosecurity measures.*

*Biosecurity Queensland is issuing regular situation updates about the Panama investigation and is encouraging members of the community to register to receive these updates straight to their inbox. You can register for these updates by registering for 'banana' alerts under the 'subscribe to news' link at the bottom of [www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au](http://www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au), and then clicking on 'subscribe to newsletters'. Or call 13 25 23 to subscribe. For more information about Panama disease, visit [www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au](http://www.biosecurity.qld.gov.au) or call 13 25 23. To keep up-to-date with the investigation in real time, follow Biosecurity Queensland on Facebook and Twitter (@BiosecurityQld)."*

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& ST ANDREW'S CATHOLIC  
COLLEGE INVITES YOU TO

## ANZAC REFLECTIONS

*A commemorative concert of music and verse  
to honour the 2015 ANZAC Centenary*

This is an ecumenical event open to all members of the community

Almost 500 singers, instrumentalists, narrators, poets  
and drama students from Catholic schools

Including a specially commissioned piece of music by  
Australian composer and soloist, Mark Walton OAM  
titled 'Reflections of ANZAC'

Dramatic historical re-enactment focusing on the life  
of a Cairns soldier who died in the ANZAC conflict

Memorial exhibition from Cairns RSL, Cairns  
Historical Society and Monash University.

Australian food and refreshments including spiced  
lamb, prawns and crocodile, ANZAC biscuits,  
cheesecake, fruit, lamingtons, tea & coffee served  
prior to the concert and at interval, \$2 ea.

### DATES

#### Tuesday, 21st April

Displays and Refreshments from 5pm,  
Concert 6.30pm – 8.00pm

#### Wednesday, 22nd April

Displays and Refreshments from 11 am,  
Concert 12.30 pm – 2.00 pm

Displays and Refreshments from 5 pm,  
Concert 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm

Acknowledgement to The Hon. Warren Entsch MP and  
the Australian Government's ANZAC Centenary Local  
Grants Program, and Music staff and volunteers from St  
Andrew's Catholic College.

### VENUE

St Monica's Cathedral – Itself a war memorial, with the front  
stained glass windows depicting the Battle of the Coral Sea.

### TICKETS

\$15 adults, \$10 school aged children & concessions

Proceeds to the Cairns RSL for distribution to war  
veterans and widows, and to Cairns Historical Society

Tickets are available from St Andrew's Catholic College,  
Redlynch Valley or phone the college on 4039 5200.

Payment can be made via credit card over the  
phone and tickets made available for collection at the door.



*"This event provides reflection on the sacrifice of young  
lives, the futility of war, and our shared commitment,  
within our Christian faith, to strive for a peaceful world."*

– Bill Dixon, Executive Director – Catholic Education Services.

