



Blue Gum News—24th April 2015  
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## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 7th May 2015 - Mum's High Tea

### Principal's News

Dear Blue Gum Community

#### "Lest we Forget"

*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;*

*Age shall not weary them, not the years condemn.*

*At the going down of the sun and in the morning*

*We will remember them".*

Thank you to the school community for participating in our Anzac centenary ser-

"Lest we Forget".



vice.

#### Parent Education

##### Montessori Book Club

The next book club will meet on Monday May 4 in Kambarra after drop off. The article we will be discussing is:

Montessori and Optimal Experience Research: Toward Building a Comprehensive Education Reform.

By David Kahn

The article is available from administration.

Please come and join us. We would be happy to consider your suggestions for further book club topics.

#### Before and After School Clubs

The clubs have commenced and we have had a high level of interest in them.

Should you be interested in other club topics please forward them to Shelley [admin@bluegummontessori.wa.edu.au](mailto:admin@bluegummontessori.wa.edu.au)  
Your suggestions will be consider as we plan our future clubs.

We look forward to seeing you next Tuesday after a special Anzac week-end with you family.

#### Signing Junior Primary (LP) children into the classroom

As part of ensuring all children are accounted for at school and that they make safe transition in and out of the school, we ask all parents/guardians to sign their child in and out each day. A sign in book will be left on the table outside your child's classroom. Each child will have the same allocated numbered line for their parents to sign. In the event, you come late or need to take your child to an appointment, you will have to sign in and out at both administration and in the class book.

We appreciate your assistance in maintaining a safe school environment.

With best wishes

Dr Maree G Matthews

Principal

## School Club News

### Morning and Afternoon School Clubs

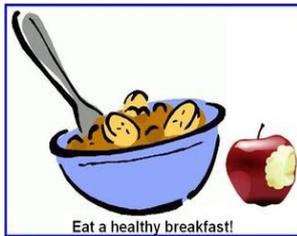
The school is officially open from 8.15 for the commencement of supervision and class begins at 8.45. To ensure our children are supervised before and after school, we have clubs in the morning and afternoon. These clubs will include:

#### Monday – Friday 7.30—8.30

##### **Early Bird Breakfast Club**

Held in Mallee every morning. Children enter through the side gate from the car park.

Children are able to make their own healthy breakfast and engage in practical life activities.



#### Monday 3.00-5.00

##### **Mandarin Club**

The Chinese Programme will allow children to develop a perspective for Chinese language as well as Chinese Culture. Class run by Richard. Enrolment forms at admin. Cost \$150.00 per term.

#### Monday 3.00—5.00

##### **Kidz 'n' Sports**

Programme run by Paul from 3.00—5.00. Paul supplies a fruit snack. Please ensure your child has a water bottle that is able to be refilled prior to sport commencing.

Please discuss fees directly with Paul.

#### Tuesday 3.00—5.00

##### **Kyle Mackin's Tennis Club**

Kyle is Certified and Registered with ATPCA and has attained official accreditation with the Australia Tennis Professional Coaches Association.

Tennis in action



## School Club News

### Tuesday -

#### **Drama Class 3.00—5.00**

Jenny Moyle runs this Club.

Classes include vocal exercise, improvisation, mime, puppet work and movement to music. There will also be some stage performance using scripts.

Enrolment forms at admin. Cost \$150.00 per term.



### Wednesday 3.00—5.00

#### **The Art of Drawing**

Judith runs the art club. Classes are about passing on basic drawing and observational skills to the children, but more importantly these sessions are about encouraging confidence to explore visual expression without judgement.

Enrolment forms at admin. Cost \$150.00 per term.

### Thursday 3.00—5.00

#### **Kidz 'n' Sport—as per Monday**

### Friday 3.00—5.00

#### **Cooking Club**

Cooking class run by Andy Vernie in Mallee.

Children are to supply an apron and a container to take home their wares!

Enrolment forms and a copy of this terms menu available at admin. Cost \$150.00 per term.

### Late Fees

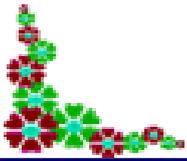
As the 'After School Clubs' are not run by BGMS staff, it is important that children are collected on time. A late fee will be incurred to pay for the relevant staff members time.

## Important Events

### Mum's High Tea

Mums to celebrate Mother's Day, you are cordially invited into your child's classroom from 2.30 – 3.00 on Thursday 7th May, followed by sandwiches and tea from 3.00—3.30.

The cost is \$2.00 per person. Please send payment in the envelope supplied to school, otherwise payment can be made with Shelley at admin.



What a lot of excited, eager learners came bouncing into Wattle class this week!

The children have already got stuck into exploring the new nature table and are bringing in their discoveries from around the school and home. We even had a surprise visitor when a Huntsman spider was found in the Roman Arch job! It was carefully taken out to the garden.

In the outside classroom, the children are practising their flexibility, balance and strength with the yoga job. We have been talking about the importance of using both our body and mind, working hard, but also having time to rest and think.

Welcome back to everyone,

Gwen and Mereio

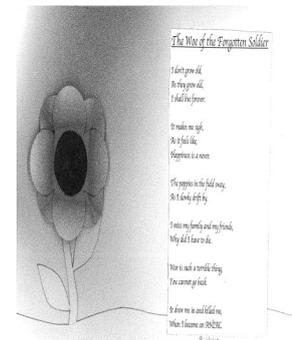
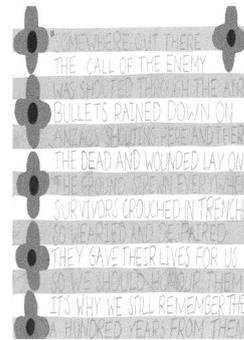
Wattle Class

Dr Maria Montessorz i's book – The Absorbent Mind

"The child's development follows a path of successive stages of independence, and our knowledge of this must guide us in our behaviour towards him. We have to help the child to act, will and think for himself. This is the art of serving the spirit, an art which can be practised to perfection only when working among children." (The Absorbent Mind, p. 257)

### ANZAC DAY

Upper Primary students have been learning about ANZAC Day, the heroes, the stories and the timeline of the historic events during the war at Gallipoli. This has provided the students with an opportunity to develop a deeper understanding of this part of Australia's history. This has also prepared them for their respectful and thoughtful participation during the ceremony this Friday celebrating the Centenary of the ANZACS.



ANZAC Day

Each cycle made a wreath for ANZAC day which was placed at the base of the flagpole.



Elizabeth-Anne played 'The Last Post' for us.

Thank you Elizabeth-Anne!