

2016 POPPY PROJECT

Dear Parents,

Again this year, as part of our Anzac Day commemorations, our school has put our hand up to be involved in the Gosford City Council 'Poppy Project.' The project revolves around the theme of 'Never Forget the Sacrifices' I feel very sure, that you would remember the magnificent display of red poppies that graced the water front in Gosford in 2015. Brisbania made a considerable contribution to the display last year and our effort was remarked upon by the organisers. I'm very sure we will be able to repeat the same this year.

The 2016 display will be centred around the Anzac Memorial in Terrigal with contributions from all around the Gosford area. The children's involvement in the activity gives them a personal attachment to the reasons why we commemorate Anzac Day and also supports the class discussions we hold as a lead up to it. As in 2015, we hope as many families as possible will take the opportunity to share in what is both an impressive and fitting community tribute.



LEST WE FORGET

HOW TO GO ABOUT IT



As in 2015, the Stage 3 students will be constructing their poppies in class at school.

The poppies can be a little tricky in their construction with the younger students bringing there's home for a bit of extra help. Today, the children will have brought home a little package with all that's needed to construct their poppy.

This includes:

- Red cloth (cut 2 petals to make one poppy)
- 1 green bamboo stake
- Instructions which include the template for cutting out the petals
- Black ribbon
- 1 green rubber band



There is also a youtube instructional video that covers all the elements of building the poppy. Well worth looking at before you start.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nvQR12yZNOE>

It probably sounds a bit straight forward, but we did receive a reminder from the organisers that the poppy flower itself goes on the blunt end of the bamboo stake with the pointy end left for sticking in the ground! We will need all poppies finished and returned to school by Wednesday 6th April (last week of term) so that I am able to pass them on to the organisers for display.

With many thanks for your anticipated support
Greg Anderson