



110th Anzac-Day-Speech-for-Primary-Schools- Remembering-Heroes-and-Embracing-the Anzac-Spirit

Hello everyone,

This morning, we gather on [Gadigal] Country, and we acknowledge and pay our respects to their Elders past, present, and emerging.

I also wish to honour the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women who have served in the defence of Australia, both in times of peace and war. Today, we recognise and thank all current and former members of the Australian Defence Force, as well as the families who support them.

Today, we gather to mark 110 years of Anzac Day, a day when we remember the brave men and women who have served and protected Australia.

The word "Anzac" stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The Anzacs were everyday people – just like us – who showed great courage and kindness in difficult times. They looked after each other, worked as a team, and never gave up.

One of the most important battles we remember on Anzac Day happened a long time ago at a place called Gallipoli. The Anzacs faced many challenges, but they supported one another, showing the values of bravery, mateship, and teamwork.

But Anzac Day is not just about remembering battles. It is about remembering the Anzac Spirit – helping others, standing together, and being kind.

The Anzacs didn't just fight for themselves; they fought for each other and for their communities back home. Even in difficult times, they looked after their mates and showed respect for everyone.

And that's something we can all do too.

We don't have to be soldiers to show the Anzac Spirit. We can:

- Be kind to our friends and classmates.
- Look after each other if someone is feeling sad or left out.
- Help our families at home.
- Show respect to our teachers and community.

By doing these small things, we help make our school and community a better, safer, and more caring place for everyone – just like the Anzacs did for our country.

We also take this time to remember the families of our soldiers, sailors, and airmen. They made sacrifices too – waiting, worrying, and supporting their loved ones. Their strength and kindness remind us that every act of support makes a difference.

Now, as we take a moment of silence, let's think about how we can carry the Anzac Spirit forward – by being brave, kind, and looking after one another in our own community.

On this 110th anniversary of Anzac Day, let's promise to always remember the Anzacs, not just by honouring their bravery, but by living their values every day.

Lest we forget.