

A SPECIAL ANZAC DAY FOR THE GASK'S IN SUTTON VENY

The 25th of April is always a big day for the Gask's as the ANZAC service takes place for the school. All the children are involved as well as Australian High Commission involvement and a terrific turnout from the local villagers to the Australian War Cemetery where 142 soldiers and 2 sisters are buried in the largest ANZAC cemetery in England.

The fact our children sit in class not more than 20 metres from the graves of these great ANZACS gives us great pride and everyday they are reminded of their history. The fact the school classes are named Auckland, Brisbane, Canberra, Darwin, Elliston, Geraldton and Nelson and regularly sing the Australian and New Zealand National Anthems, as they did today, may add to this also however. The service today was visited by a number of Australians on an ANZAC tour as well as members of the Australian High Commission, not to mention the ABC Australia who filmed the service and beamed it back home! The village also holds a major service on the Sunday following the school service.

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