

ANZAC: quick facts

- ANZAC is an abbreviation for **Australian and New Zealand Army Corps**.
- April 25 was the day the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula in 1915.
- The Gallipoli Peninsula is in Turkey.
- The ANZACs were on the Gallipoli Peninsula for only **8 months**
- Approximately **8,000** Anzacs died there.
- The ANZACs were all **volunteers**.
- The first dawn service on an ANZAC Day was in 1923
- The ritual of 'standing to' for soldiers is when they take up their assigned posts in readiness for inspection or battle usually before dawn, so that by the time the first dull grey light crept across the battlefield they were awake, alert and manning their weapons.
- The '[Last Post](#)' gave one last warning to any soldiers still at large that it was time to retire for the evening. The 'Last Post' is incorporated into funeral and memorial services as a final farewell and symbolises that the duty of the dead is over and that they can rest in peace.
- Anzac Biscuits were called “Soldier Biscuits” and provided nutrition for the soldiers in World War 1