

Allendale East Area School Newsletter

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NAIDOC WEEK

Term 2 Week 10

Each year "NAIDOC" Week is held in July, to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. "NAIDOC" is an acronym or an abbreviation for the "National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee" for which the origins can be traced back to 1938 and the Aboriginal Rights Movement. NAIDOC Week is a perfect time for all Australians to learn more about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The theme for this year is "For Our Elders" and the School will again join in the celebrations of NAIDOC Week from 3- 8 July 2023. The proposed School schedule for NAIDOC Week is as follows:

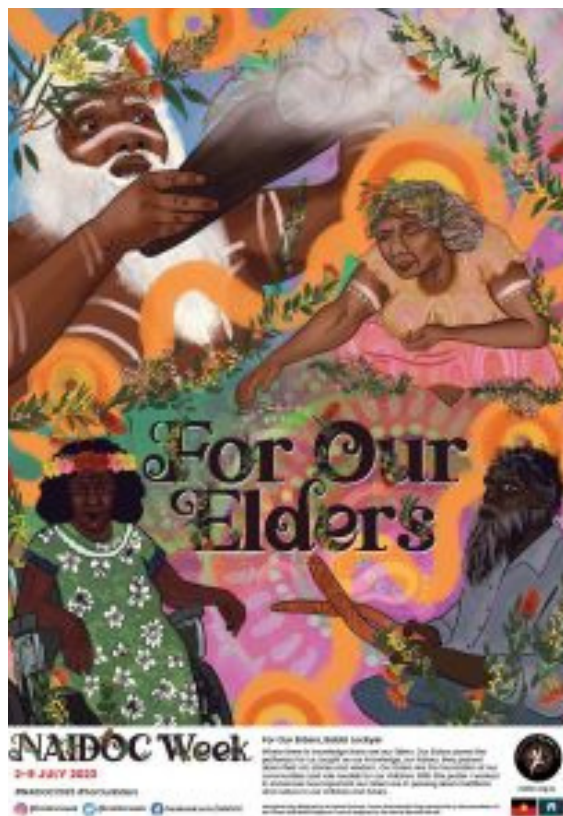
Monday: Acknowledgment of Country, Smoking Ceremony, Collaborative Artwork Unveiling

Tuesday: Stories in the Library with Food Tasting (Foundation, Year 1 and 2, Year 3 class), Movie

Wednesday: Classroom Activities

Thursday: Stories in the Library (Year 4-5 and Year 5-6) with Food Tasting, Movie (Year 7-12)

Friday: "Yellow" Casual day - gold coin donation which will aid a local charity.



The 2023 National NAIDOC Week Poster incorporating the Aboriginal Flag and the Torres Strait Islander Flag (licensed by the Torres Strait Island Council).

IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

- 4 Deb. Ball meeting
- 7 **Early dismissal - 2.15pm**
- 24 **Student Free Day**

AUGUST

- 14-18 National Science Week
- 18 Miniature Debutante Ball
- 21-25 Book Week - "Paws for Books" Book Fair

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COWS CREATE CAREERS



In Week 7, the Pathways Class received two dairy calves to raise for the Cows Create Careers Program. Students are involved in raising the calves by feeding them milk each morning. This complements their work over the semester in the program. Cows Create Careers allows students to engage with the dairy industry in a fun and "hands-on" way, while highlighting the range of career pathways within the industry.



The School calves were kindly donated by local dairy farmers Ben Walker and Michelle Roe. Without the generosity of such farmers, this part of the program would not be as readily available to the students, and the School acknowledges and very much appreciates this support.

Dani Tulak

VISUAL ARTS

Students from Year 5-6 class (pictured below) were proud to display their "Monochromatic Landscapes" at the School's Biggest Morning Tea, which were created as part of the School's Visual Arts study, with teacher Ms Kezia Feast.



Further Visual Art study has included the unit "Graffiti Canvas", where the student's explored the works of artist "Banksy", and had the opportunity of viewing street art, both legal and illegal, prior to responding to various artworks. Some of this artwork is pictured below.



VACATION CARE

Vacation Care - 10 July to 21 July 2023

Out of School Care ("OSCH") hours are Monday to Friday, with a full day 8.00am to 6.00 pm and half days 8.00am to 1.00 pm/or 1.00 pm to 6.00 pm. Children are required to bring a packed lunch, with OSCH offering a morning and afternoon snack. For enquires/bookings: ph: **Sharon 0447 414 652**. For emergency contact during school holidays, please call the School Front Office on: 87 387 218.



LIONS MAD MINUTE "FINAL "CHALLENGE

Following on from the Lions Mad Minute competition held internally at the School, the School's Challenge team has ventured to Mt Gambier High School to compete alongside 16 other schools, in the Lower Limestone Coast Grand Challenge Final (Division 2). With Madison Carlin unavailable (illness), Mya Coutts stepped up to join the original team members Jace Smith and Eliza Lannigan. The speaking order of each school was chosen randomly by the adjudicators, with each student required to make a "blind" selection from the "Super Challenge" (SC) or "Challenge" question box.



Pictured: L-R: Jace, Mya and Eliza

Each speaker was required to present for 1 Minute on the chosen topic, with Jace drawing (SC) "Why Trampolines are Dangerous", Mya (C) "On the weekend" and Eliza (SC) - "We should have more Art at school". Each member of the School team spoke confidently for the full minute, including their ideas and personal stories in support of their opinion on their topic, and represented the School admirably. Compton Primary School were the eventual Lower Limestone Coast Grand Challenge Final (Division 2) winners, however many schools were very evenly matched.

YOUTH WORKER SUPPORT

The School's Youth Worker **Carla Doody**, will be available for student and family support over the Term 2 School Holidays. Carla will be available on each **Tuesday, Wednesday** and **Thursday** between the hours of **10am - 12.00 noon**. To ensure adequate time is allocated, please book an appointment through the Front Office. Services which may be accessed are: support around mental health, Foodbank Vouchers, Four Reasons Why Clothing and referrals to additional support services. If you have any further queries on these services or support during normal school times, please do not hesitate to contact Carla Doody or Sarah Stratford at the School.

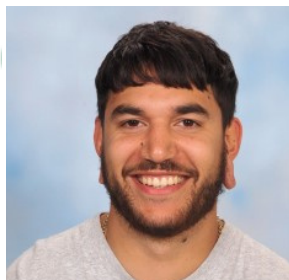


WINTER LUNCH TIME ACTIVITIES



The School is currently exploring indoor "active mind" activities for students to enjoy during lunch times in unfavourable weather. At this stage, activities may include "Mine Craft" (1-2 days per week), Craft Club and board games. It is planned that the Library, gymnasium, and Interception spaces will be opened for students to engage in activities or to "chill" (or warm, given it is winter), with all areas to be supervised. As this initiative is in its infancy, Year 1 and Year 2 students will be able to access the designated spaces once per week, until a time that will be advised. If you have any queries regarding the activities, please do not hesitate to call the Front Office.

SCHOOL DEPARTURES



The School Community farewelled School SSO and Aboriginal Support Worker **Marcus Wanganeen** (pictured left) at the end of Week 9, with Marcus having accepted a role with White Lion Youth, an organisation that provides support to disengaged youth, via flexible learning options. Marcus has been with School for four years and as he takes on this new challenge, we wish Marcus all the best with his future endeavours.

The School also farwelled students Eliza and Zaria Shephard and Reegan Pelkonen who have left to relocate to Port Lincoln. We wish our former students and their family all the best with the relocation.



FRIDAY FAIRY

On Monday Laila Martlew was playing with board games in the Library at Lunch. When the bell went 3 other students ran off without packing up their games. Laila packed up her game and then said she would stay back and help the support person Helene on duty pack up other student's games.



NUT AWARENESS

Following a meeting with the School's Governing Council, it was resolved that it is appropriate for the School to become a "**Nut Aware School**", in lieu of a "Nut Free School". We currently do not have any record of students who have notified of a "nut allergy", and with this in mind we move cautiously forward with this change. **Please note: Food sharing is still not permitted, regardless of this change.** The School Canteen will continue to refrain from stocking any nut-based products, however it is at the parent/caregiver discretion as to the nature of food packed for recess and lunch. Principal Kylie Smith is also not encouraging the addition of nut-based products for "brain-breaks".



This information has also been distributed to all school community members via the School Governing Council Facebook . In the event you do have a student that **does have a nut allergy** and you **have not notified the School**, please ensure you **contact the School urgently**.

DEBUTANTE BALL



As you may have noticed listed in the **Important Dates** in a previous newsletter, the School has a Miniature Debutante Ball planned on Friday 18 August 2023 in the School gymnasium. Open to students from Foundation to Year 6, the Expressions of Interest date has now closed. For those parents/caregivers that have nominated a student or expressed interest in assisting on the organising committee, a meeting is planned for **5.00 pm this Tuesday, 4 July 2023**, at the School. For further information or queries regarding this event, please call Mel Reed on 87 387 218.