

## Newsletter

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### From the Principal's Desk

Last week we held a cultural celebration 'For our Elders' celebrating the learning of indigenous culture in our classrooms. Petiola welcomed us to country and held a smoking ceremony. The feedback from our visitors was so positive and the students did a wonderful job of sharing. If you have not seen the footage, follow the link below.



[https://youtu.be/fa\\_TKt8KcyQ](https://youtu.be/fa_TKt8KcyQ)

#### Reception Enrolments 2024

Please contact the front office and fill in an expression of interest form if you have a child (sibling) who will be starting school next year. We are beginning the process for enrolments of our new reception cohort for 2024. Next year there will be 2 intakes, one at the start of year and one mid-year. Please follow the link to find when your child is eligible to start.

<https://www.preschool/school-enrolment/starting-school>

#### Pupil free day term 3

Early next term on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August we have a Pupil Free Day for staff to continue our literacy improvement strategy. We will be working on a whole school approach to spelling and word work.

#### Food ladder

Food ladder is a not for profit organization helping communities develop sustainable food systems. Food Ladder projects address health, education and economic development outcomes through a multi-disciplinary approach in partnership with the local community. Programs include vocational training, STEM education and nutrition workshops. Early next term we will be building a greenhouse equipped with a hydroponic growing system. Food ladder are donating the green house and we will require volunteers to help us build it from 14<sup>th</sup> August. Please contact Russell if you are able to donate some time to help with construction, we will have Food Ladder staff here for 3 weeks building the green house and then training staff and students how to use it.

Wishing everyone a safe a restful break, we will see you next term on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July.

*Marg Clark*

<b>Term 3, 2023</b>		<b>24<sup>th</sup> July – 19<sup>th</sup> September</b>
<b>July</b>	7 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term 2 <b>2.15pm dismissal</b>
	24 <sup>th</sup>	First day of Term 3
<b>August</b>	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b>
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Governing Council Meeting
	21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>	Book Week



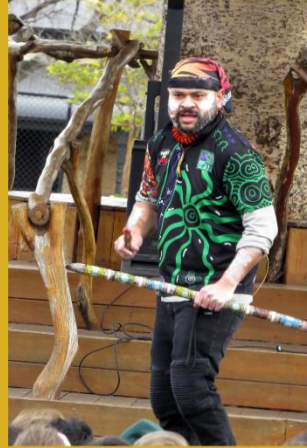
# FOR OUR ELDERS

## Our Cultural Journey: NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC  
WEEK  
2023



A Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony by our AEW Petiola opened the afternoon of cultural journey.



Let's pay respect to elders past, present, and emerging. May we honor them by learning from the wisdom they impart.



Room 7 students shared an ochre presentation where visitors added their thumb print using synthetic ochre to our community banner. They also shared their research on traditional foods, and how to make some traditional dishes.

T15 & T16 students shared their journey towards understanding the rich culture of Australian Indigenous People and their struggle for self-determination. This will include artwork that symbolises the impact of the Stolen Generations and reflections on the importance of elders roles and responsibilities in leading indigenous communities.



T17 & T18 have listened to music from Indigenous Artists. We have been having conversations and discussions about the lyrics and what those lyrics might mean to Indigenous People.

Room T17 & T18 also presented how Aboriginal people used astronomy. This includes navigation, constellations, and story time stories.



Upstairs, **Studios 10, 11 & 12** displayed their Year 1/2 class family's learning journey of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history. This included their experiences of country, dancing, exploring the Dreaming (Munaintya), native foods and animals, painting and more.



**A3 and A4** called their investigation 'The Makarrata Project. They started with an excursion to the Aboriginal Galleries at the SA Museum and the following two questions.'

1. Aboriginal Peoples have lived here for at least 60 000 years. Other people have lived here for less than 246 years. **WHAT ARE YOU WONDERING?**

2. Makarrata is a word in the Yolngu Language meaning a coming together after a struggle, facing the facts of wrongs, and living again in peace. **WHAT ARE YOU WONDERING?**



**Rooms 5, 8 & 9** have been learning about different aspects of Aboriginal culture, such as the significance of ochre and traditional art symbols which we have combined to create stories on decorative shields. Classes have also followed up with exciting individual projects



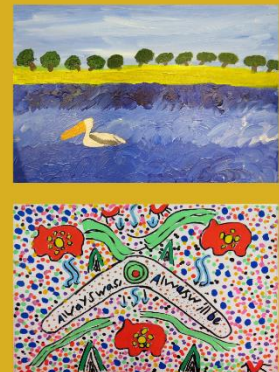
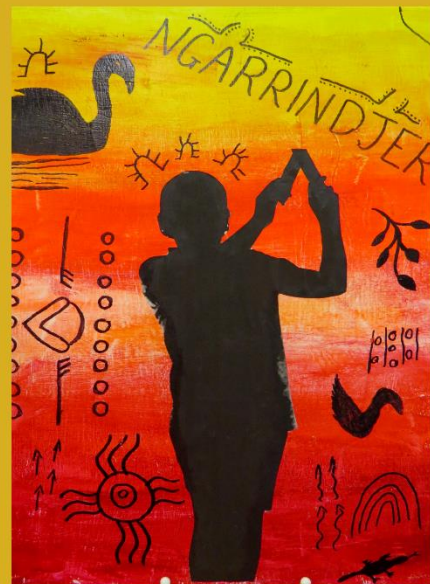
**Rooms A0, A1 and A2** showed their learning about special places, which they linked to the Indigenous sacred grounds around Australia





In the **ART ROOM** some of our ATSI students showcased some of their work completed during our weekly Paint and Chat sessions. These sessions are specifically for our First Nations students. This program is unique to our school. It's a nurturing group where students support each other and connect with each other's lives. It's a supportive, fun team. It's like a family. These sessions give our ATSI students a chance to share and gain knowledge and have conversations that help build relationships in a safe place.

There was also a Paint and Chat display on the boards in the Regency Building by the stairs.



# Swimming



This week, students from years R-5 have enjoyed taking part in swimming lessons at ARC Campbelltown.

Students have used a variety of flotation devices, learnt about water safety and rescuing others, improved their swimming techniques and gained water confidence.

There was also time for some fun at the end of the week!

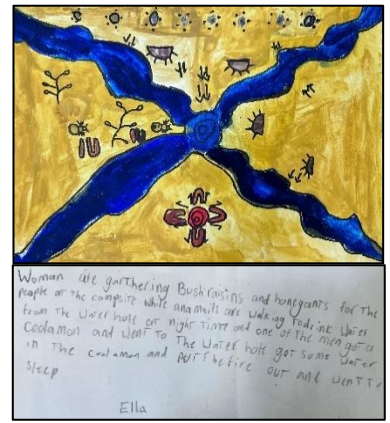
More photos are available to view on our website





## Painting Dreamtime Stories in A3 and A4

A3 and A4 have been learning about Aboriginal symbols and that they are symbols of the Dreamtime. We looked at examples of Aboriginal artists' paintings that told a Dreamtime story. Students then drew their own design, painted it and wrote their own Dreamtime story about it



Bradley Lam  
Kangaroos, possums and Echidnas are going to the waterhole for a drink. Men are gathered around a campsite.



Once upon a time there was an emu and it was eating some eggs and then his friend witchetty grub came and asked if he could share food with him. He said yes. Suddenly emu saw a bush plum he picked some out of the tree and they were about to eat the food but possum came and if he could share food with him he said yes and it started to rain and a cat came and they are all under the shadow



The water was flowing and animals were making the women were collecting honey and the men were hunting kangaroos and emu



There are some men hunting some kangaroos then on the other side of the water hole they saw some emus where hunting some grubs. and there was a possum and two echidnas were eating some bush plum and there were some kangaroos eating bush tins.

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# MIGHTY DAYS

Team Games, Disco, Sports, Theatre, Nerf, Pool, Scavenger Hunt, Science Experiments, Slime Making.

9am-4pm | ages 5-14 | \$48

[PARKSRSC.YMCA.ORG.AU](http://PARKSRSC.YMCA.ORG.AU)



### BUILDING ATTENDANCE HABITS

How to help your child build a habit of going to school every day.

regular evening and bedtime routine and enough sleep	limit the use of electronic devices in the evenings	help your child be organised in the morning to get them to school on time
arrange alternative transport in case something unexpected happens	take family vacations during school holidays	make appointments outside of school hours or in school holidays
talk positively about school	show interest in what your child is learning, their progress and their friends	regularly communicate with your child's teacher

# T17 and T18 – Wildlife Boxes!

The kids in T17 and T18 have been lucky enough to work on a project this term with FauNature and the Prospect City Council. As part of this project, we were able to develop new skills in woodwork and construction, using tools to build wildlife boxes. They were constructed using nails and a hammer, glue and a power drill. Now that the building is complete, we are painting them in calm neutral colours that blend into the natural landscape. These boxes have been built for the local wildlife around the Prospect area, to provide them with a safe place to nest. We look forward to seeing them up in the tress!



# T17 and T18 – Cultural Journey

As part of our whole school cultural journey we have been exploring music and lyrics from talented Aboriginal artists. We have listened to the powerful words that bring awareness to our First Nations History and have annotated these songs to identify the important messages being shared. We created posters to share our learning with the community and chose one word that represented each song. We enjoyed talking about our learning process at the Expo!





## PROSPECT NORTH JULY 2023 VACATION CARE PROGRAM

MONDAY 10/7/23	TUESDAY 11/7/23	WEDNESDAY 12/7/23	THURSDAY 13/7/23	FRIDAY 14/7/23
<p><b>TEDDY BEARS PICNIC</b> Bring along your favourite bear</p> <p><b>Tiny Teddy Racing Cars</b></p> <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b> Teddy Bear Ears</p> <p><b>COOKING</b> Honey Joys Bear Paw Cookies</p> 	<p><u>EXCURSION</u> <b>HOYTS CINEMA ARNDAL ELEMENTAL</b> 9.00am – 12.30pm</p>  <p><b>BUBBLE BLOWING</b></p> <p><b>SNOW STORM IN A JAR</b></p> <p><b>ICE FISHING</b></p> 	<p><b>WELL BEING WEDNESDAY</b> Yoga in the gym Candle Making Playdough Bath bombs Dream Catchers</p>  <p>Baking homemade Bread</p> 	<p><u>EXCURSION</u> <b>THUNDERBIRD RACEWAY POORAKA</b> Slot Car Racing 9.00am – 12.30pm</p>  <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b></p> <p><b>COOKING</b> Pizza Scrolls</p> 	<p><b>ROCKSTAR DAY</b> Come dressed as a Rock/Popstar Sing and Dance the day away</p> <p><b>JUST DANCE</b> Musical Games</p> <p><b>COOKING</b> Edible Microphones</p> <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b> Rock Painting Recycled CD Craft</p> 
<b>Snack:</b> Fruit Platter	<b>Snack:</b> Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter	<b>Snack:</b> Pasta Bake	<b>Snack:</b> Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter	<b>Snack:</b> Sandwiches
MONDAY 17/7/23	TUESDAY 18/7/23	WEDNESDAY 19/7/23	THURSDAY 20/7/23	FRIDAY 21/7/23
<p><b>CRUISE THE WORLD</b> Challenge your driving skills on the twin Cruisin World</p>  <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b></p> <p><b>COOKING</b> Tres Leches cake</p>	<p><u>EXCURSION</u> <b>MEGAZONE NOARLUNGA</b> 9.00am – 1.00pm 2-hour lock in playing your favourite arcade games</p>   <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b></p>	<p><b>WACKY WEDNESDAY</b> Crazy Hair Green Eggs Experiment</p>  <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b> Wacky Portraits Wacky Glasses</p>  <p><b>COOKING</b> Wacky Cake</p> 	<p><u>EXCURSION</u> <b>HOYTS CINEMA ARNDAL Cats in the Museum</b> 9.00am – 12.30pm</p>  <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b></p> <p>Box cats Colour by number Animals Slinky Cats</p>	<p><b>DISNEY DAY</b> Come Dressed as your favourite Disney Character</p>  <p>Disney Bingo</p> <p><b>COOKING</b> Beauty &amp; the Beast pizza roses Cheese Mouse Crackers</p> <p>Disney Movies on the big screen in the gym</p> <p><b>ART/CRAFT</b> Slinky dog</p>
<b>Snack:</b> Sandwiches	<b>Snack:</b> : Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter	<b>Snack:</b> Quiche	<b>Snack:</b> Crackers, Salad & Dip Platter	<b>Snack:</b> Fruit Platter

**All bookings need to be made by the 29<sup>th</sup> June. Bookings after this date may not be accepted**