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Mob News **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student Support**

Welcome to, edition three of Mob News, the Newsletter from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student Support Unit at Alexandra Hills State High School. We have held back the mid term Mob News because there was a lot happening in the latter half of the term that we wanted to share. Our Principal, Mrs Gail Armstrong retired, we have had ANZAC Day Parades, Sorry Day Recognition, COOEE Sorry Day Invite, SER NAIDOC AWARD winners, Beyond the Broncos news, and many opportunities to showcase our mob celebrating life at school with their friends.

SER AWARD Winners

It was fantastic to see two of our students win at this years, South East Region NAIDOC Showcase awards.

Congratulations to Sharni Mellare and Mikayla Harrison.



Sharni won the SER Senior School Student Leadership Award and Mikayla won the SER Middle School Student STEM Award.

It was also one of the last public engagements that our Principal, Mrs Gail Armstrong attended. We were privileged and honoured that she was with us.



NAIDOC NEWS

Our NAIDOC parades will take place on the 29th July. We will enjoy the company of invited Elders and will showcase the dancing talents of our Biram and Yarrabin dance troupe.

Please come along and enjoy the day with us. We will also be hosting a morning tea after the event.

FARWELL

On behalf of all our Mob, I would like to thank and wish our retiring Principal, Mrs Gail Armstrong all the best in her life after school. Her support and willingness to mainstream Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island perspective has been admirable and something that I personally will never take for granted or



Special MOB Moments



PARADES – TERM 3

15/7	Junior
22/7	Senior
29/7	NAIDOC
5/8	Senior
12/8	Junior
19/8	Senior
26/8	Junior
2/9	Senior
9/9	Junior
16/9	Senior



HEAL COUNTRY!
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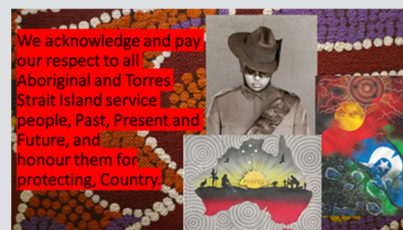
Our dance group—**Biram and Yarrabin** have been practicing for three days a week during Term 2 and are beginning to be sort after. On the 24th June the Junior dancers performed at Vienna Woods State School, performing 4 dances and teaching the entire school, 'Yuwai'. They were exhausted, but were amazing.

Also on the 26th July, the Seniors will perform three dances at Capalaba State School.



ANZAC DAY PARADE

This year we paid tribute to all of those First Nation's People that served their Country and in particular, Aunty Oodgeroo Noonuccal— Kath Walker.



SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

It is expected that all students attend school each day. If for any reason your child will not be at school please contact the office—(07) 3820 1444. Also, if your child is sick, please obtain a medical certificate.

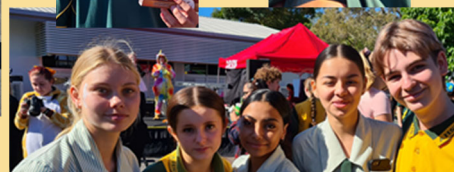
Term 3 will see some changes regarding non compliant jewellery. Nose rings and excessive earrings will be collected by Mr Hume, bagged with your child's name and returned at the end of the week when your child meets with Mr Hume. Similarly, the mobile phone policy will be enforced with more vigour. Our Mob needs to lead the way and set the example.

Dash—This term our Mob enjoyed DASH 2021. Our Mob dressed up and celebrated with their friends to fundraise and build upon more opportunities to develop school culture and build rapport amongst our school's students.

Sorry Day Invite to COOEE

This year some of our MOB were honoured to be invited to spend Sorry Day with our Elders at COOEE. The students heard stories and were taught about a deeper meaning of Sorry Day. Each student commented that the day was amazing and were so honoured to have spent time with our Elders. Thank you to our beautiful Aunty Margie for the invite. It was a highlight

and one that will be remembered for a long time.



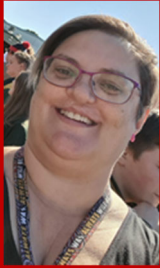


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Thank you

I wish to take the opportunity to thank a member of the Unit who works tirelessly to make sure our Jarjums are looked after in every facet of their schooling and life.



Thank you
Jaime for all
that you do.

SER AWARDS DISPLAY

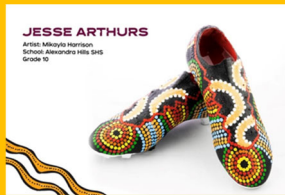
This year, we showcased our Mob and what we at the Unit have been doing at this years South East Regions NAIDOC Showcase Awards.



BRNCOS NEWS



Two of our MOB, Ellie Gillies and Mikayla Harrison were asked to paint shoes for the Indigenous Round. The shoes were, Deadly and the players were very happy.



New Initiative

The Beyond the Broncos Girls Academy program has expanded its presence at Alexandra Hills State High School. This term, Jasmin Ferris (who also works for the Unit) has begun to work as a Careers Club Support Officer. Her role will include working closely with the support systems within the school and with external stakeholders, to better prepare the girls in the program to succeed, either academically or through an alternative pathway through an apprenticeship or traineeship.

Great job, Jasmin!

Term 2 Workshop

Term two's workshop was a highlight for those girls that had obtained excellent attendance. Scott Prince was on hand to present them with their Bronco's Hoodie.

Welcome

We would like to acknowledge, Samara Williams. Samara is the new Redlands area manager. She brings to the role extensive experience and we look forward to forging ahead with the program and establishing a great working partnership.



"We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this country; We pay respect to the care takers of the land, wind and waterways. We pay respect to the Nunukul Goenpul and Nughi, people of the Quandamooka Nation, and pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging for they are the keepers of memories, traditions and lore of First Nations People of Australia."

