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Newsletter- Week 6, Term 2, 2024

Upcoming events/dates

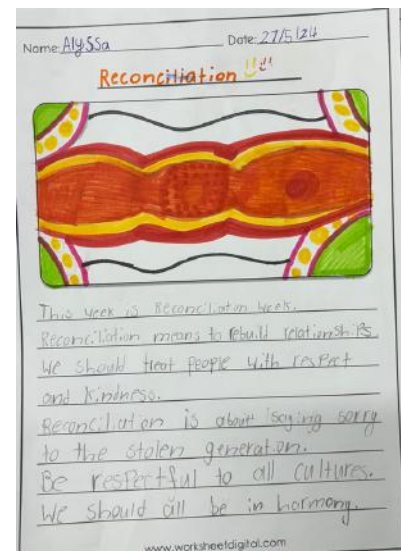
- Monday 10th June - Public holiday
- Thursday 13th June - GC Disco Fundraiser
- Monday 17th June - SAPSASA soccer trials

Principal's Message

Winter is here! How wonderful is our environment here at Napperby? Whenever we have visitors to our site, they always comment on our beautiful surroundings. It certainly is a pleasure for us to drive in to work with the beautiful view of the hills. After spending some time in Adelaide last week and visiting sites, it was a great reminder of how good we have it out here at Napperby!

What has been happening around the site?

- The site engaging in meaningful Reconciliation Week activities.
- Early years staff engaging in professional development with our DfE speech pathologist.
- Our preschool sharing adventures of their pet sloth! This connects with the message of slowing down in the busyness of life and enjoying the little things!
- Our R/1 classroom has been approved to have an acoustic upgrade. We are currently working with builders who will be upgrading the ceiling and flooring to ensure the acoustics are suitable to our little learners.
- Thank you to the fundraising committee for working hard on organising an exciting disco! We look forward to **Thursday 13th June!**



Uniforms

We pride ourselves on wearing school uniform at NPS. **We expect the children to be wearing a school t-shirt and a school jumper. Pants or shorts should be plain blue, black or grey.** Please also make sure children wear closed in, appropriate footwear. If you are having difficulty with purchasing school uniforms, please contact the school for support.

Staffing

Mr Tom Nichols has decided to resign from his teaching position at NPS. We are currently trying to fill this position. Mrs Nicky Welch will be finishing at the end of the term. We will be replacing her teaching and support time with Mrs Brooke Davidson on Thursdays and Miss Penny Malchow on Fridays.

Please come and chat with me if you have any concerns or positive feedback!

Robyn Staker
Principal

2/3 Class

The year 2/3 class has been very busy enjoying Reconciliation Week learning all about our nations past, and how to move forward in the future. We have had an excellent introduction to tennis this week with Grant Hanlon. We are amazed at the growth of our students in reading and in their writing. They are enjoying sharing their learning with each other and marvelling at their own growth in all areas.



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Reconciliation Week with AJ

This year for Reconciliation week, I visited each classroom and read the book 'Say Yes' - a story about friendship, fairness and a vote for hope. Two best friends did everything together, as they got older, they couldn't do as much together, as it was the law. Two ladies, Faith Bandler and Jessie Street, asked everyone to vote 'yes' for change, and on May 27th, 1967, the law changed. As a class we had some very interesting discussions about this book.



We also had fun learning about Bark Painting - a traditional way of telling stories. During the wet season, peeled tree bark would be dried over a fire then flattened with rocks. Once dry and painted, sticks were used at each end to stop the bark from curling back into the trees shape. We talked about the different symbols and how they tell a story. The kids then had a go at painting their own story on bark which I collected from around the area.

Earlier in the term we painted boomerangs which are on display in the library. The teachers did a fantastic job teaching the kids about boomerangs leading up to the activities. While we were painting the boomerangs, I was able to talk with the kids about what they had learnt which was great!

