

HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

Today sees the end to a very busy, but rewarding semester. Thank you to students, families and staff for your ongoing commitment to learning at Happy Valley Primary School.

NAIDOC Week is held from 4-11 July and celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is celebrated by all Australians and is a great opportunity to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

As NAIDOC Week occurs during the holidays, we have offered a competition to our students. This year's NAIDOC Week theme is: Heal Country! And we have asked students to think about what this mean to them and to create a piece of art that represents this theme. Students registered interest and competition packs have been sent home. Entries are due by Wednesday 21 July, we look forward to seeing the finished masterpieces!



On Wednesday, our girls **Rugby** team joined a number of schools at West Beach Sports Park. Our team played well throughout the day, unfortunately losing by a golden point to become Runner up State Champions. Congratulations to the team, for many this was the first time to be involed in Rugby competitions.



This term's Casual Day proceeds will go to **Minton Farm Animal Rescue**. Minton Farm is located at Cherry Gardens in and is a non-profit, non-government organisation run entirely on community goodwill and volunteer time. Minton Farm rescues animals in need and to date overall has rescued over 11,500 native animals. Thank you for your contributions towards this great cause!



Today we welcomed the Jam Band to our school. The **Just Add Music Band** is a group of passionate Adelaide musicians providing a fun, entertaining, interactive and educational children's show. They aim to inspire students and help develop confidence and self-esteem through student engagement and interaction. Our students had a wonderful time and it was a great way to end the term.



Responding to Abuse and Neglect (RAN) Training has now been replaced by **Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect - Education and Care** (RRHAN-EC). This training course is now available and all volunteers must update their current mandatory notification certificate with this new training by 31 December 2021. More information will be available next term.

Thank you to all of our volunteers in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen program, we can't do it without you! Thursday's superstar team of regulars, volunteered with Claire Bosworth's class. Thanks to Sharee, Caitlin, Peter, Lars, Nigel and Susie.

We appreciate the effort required to be a volunteer at a school site and thank those who are able to contribute their time!

On Sunday the 18 July we will be having a **Working Bee** between 10am and 12pm. The focus for this will be planting and signage in the wetlands. Please come on down if you can!

Mrs James & Miss B's class have been learning about day and night, the Earth, Sun and Moon. **Olive** and **Skyla** were proud of the dioramas they created in Science of Earth and the Moon.

We wish everyone a happy and safe holidays and look forward to students returning refreshed and ready to learn in Term 3!

Kind regards,

Paul and Anthea





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 18th July Working Bee 10am – 12pm

> Monday 19th July Term 3 Begins

Saturday 31st July Pedal Prix at Tailem Bend

Friday 27th August Book Week Costume Parade Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds

> Friday 3rd September Pupil Free Day

Monday 6th September School Closure Day

