



St Joseph's Catholic High School

Aboriginal & Torres Straight Islander ATSI

Education Newsletter

Action Plan Draft 2016

Compiled by Ms Val West AEA

- Parent Meeting – date will be confirmed
- Personalized Learning Plans
 - Electronic Copy to Sentral
 - Hard copy sent home to all ATSI families to complete
 - PLPs & Student Survey sent home for ATSI families to complete
 - Alternative Plan – Meeting with all ATSI students to complete PLP 2016
- AIME Mentor Program at the University of Wollongong
 - AIME Mentor meet the student day 28th April Thursday
 - AIME Hoodies for each ATSI student who participates at AIME 2015 – 2016 15 Hoodies
 - Years 9, 10, 11 & 12 ATSI Students
 - Year 7 & 8 Day
 - Permission notes sent home
 - AIME at school Homework Group Years 7 – 12 students
- AFL KickStart Indigenous Education students Years 7 – 12 students & friends Term 2
- International Women's Day
 - Guest Speaker from Aunty Jean's Women's Health Program OR Illawarra Area Health Indigenous Health – Maxine Hodges Taliah King sang the Dharawal Anthem in Dharawal Language – 10th March
 - Guest Taliah King to teach the Indigenous students to sing the Dharawal Anthem Term 2 or 3
 - Weavers Group – students can learn weaving

- Koorie Young Men's Group
 - Paint your own boomerang, Korrie Men's Group or Indigenous Visitor – Date to be confirmed Term 3 or 4
 - Didgeridoo & Dance Workshop – Ngaran Ngaran Cultural Awareness

- Homework Tutoring Group at school Library available every Tuesdays & Thursday ask Ms Val West Aboriginal Education Assistant located at the Library or email Valerie.west@dow.catholic.edu.au

- National Sorry Day & Reconciliation Week
 - Shellharbour School Reconciliation Flag Walk
 - Literacy & Art - Guest Speaker to present Literacy Day Poetry & Art Workshop – Judy Morrison from South Coast Writers – date to be confirmed

- World Harmony Day & Reconciliation Week
 - ATSI Art Mural & Dreaming Story - Mural Workshop facilitator Ms Val West AEA at St Joseph's Year 7 – 12 students with Indigenous students & Life Skills students – Commenced 17th March – Term 2

- NAIDOC Week
 - Guest Dance performance for ATSI Students & St Joseph's Catholic High Year 7 students
 - Flag Raising
 - Liturgy

- Excursions
 - Whale Rock engraving Jibbon Point Royal National Park Years 7 – 12 students excursion Term 3 or 4
 - Wollongong Botanic Garden ATSI Education Program Year 7 – 12 Indigenous students excursion Term or 3 or 4

- School Based Traineeship advice available
- In-Class presentations available – discuss additional cost as guest speaker
- Work Placement & Study Plan University & TAFE advice available
- Order & purchase resources for Indigenous Education
- ATSI Education Cultural Space at Library
 - Tutoring available
 - ATSI Library resources – books, audio visual, posters
 - Information resource
 - Cultural displays
 - Consultation Times for Careers & Study Advice



ATS1 Education
International Women's Day

Presenter Maxine Hodges, Grand Pacific Health

- *Acknowledgement to Country*
- *Tahlia King will sing the Dharawal Anthem in Dharawal language*
- *Inspirational Leadership Stories of*
Aunty Mary Davis (RIP)

&

Maxine Hodges (Aboriginal Community Support Officer, Grand Pacific Health)

- *Weave your own string friendship bracelet*
- *Morning Tea*

When: Thursday 10th March Period 2 10.05am

Where: School Hall - St Joseph's Catholic High School

Invite a friend



St Joseph's Catholic High School ATSI Education

& AIME University of Wollongong, Woolyungah Indigenous Education Centre

This year St Joseph's Catholic High School students who participate at AIME University of Wollongong will receive an AIME Hoodie. AWESOME!!! Funded by Indigenous Education, CEO Catholic Education Office Diocese of Wollongong. Hoodie Sizes Small, Medium, Large.



AIME Hoodies 2016 are retro fluro colours blue, pink, green & black.

The hoodies are being supplied by Target and with over 10 00 hoodies to be shipped Nationally, it is being done in stages. They have sent hoodies to Gold schools first and then Silver and finally Bronze will receive theirs. St Joseph's Catholic High School is a Silver Package School. We are looking forward to receiving the AIME Hoodies soon.

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AIME

Years 11-12

Term 2 Friday May 6th

Term 2 Friday May 13th

Years 9-10

Term 3 Friday August 5th

Term 3 Friday August 19th

Term 3 Friday September 2nd

Term 3 Friday September 16th

Years 7-8 Day

Term 4 Friday October 21st

End of Year Celebration Day Juniors & Seniors

Term 4 Friday October 28th

AFL Kickstart ATSI Program 2016



About 90,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders participate in Australian football. The Australian Football League (AFL) seeks to use Australian football as the vehicle to improve the quality of life in Indigenous communities, not only in sport, but in the areas of employment, education and health outcomes. The AFL runs several programs under the *AFL Kickstart* banner. Thank you to all the students & their friends who participated.

When: Tuesdays P6

For: 4 Weeks

Dates: 7TH June

14th June

21st June

28th June

Reconciliation School Flag Walk

Tuesday 31 May 2016, 10.30am - 1.45pm



RECONCILIATION SCHOOL FLAG WALK

From 10.30am

Local schools and community to walk from Ocean Pool, John Street, Shellharbour to Little Park, Shellharbour Village.

Walk will be led by students carrying the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags.

FREE EVENT

OFFICIAL RECONCILIATION CEREMONY

From 10.45am

Welcome to Country
Civic Welcome
Guest Speaker

Exchange of Flags in the spirit of Reconciliation with Elders, Civic leaders and Community

Performance by the Illawarra Flame Trees

ENTERTAINMENT AT LITTLE PARK

From 12pm

Didj Player
Cultural Workshop
DJ



For more information on these events, please contact:

Veronica Bird,
Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer, Shellharbour City Council on 4221 6007

National Reconciliation Week 2016
27 May to 3 June

OUR HISTORY,
OUR STORY,
OUR FUTURE



ATSI Students attended the Shellharbour City Council Reconciliation Week School Flag Walk. The event was held at Albion Park Centenary Hall due to weather conditions. The event was a great day. Thank you to Grace Jensen who was our school Flag Bearer 2016. Grace kindly received a Certificate of Appreciation from Elders for St Joseph's. Thank you to all the students who participated.

Reconciliation Week Ceremony 2016

- Didgeridoo performance by Richard Campbell
- Clapsticks by Year 9 student Lachlan Rodda
- Acknowledgement of Country by Year10 students Kieara Quintal & Zoe Parkes
- Dharawal Anthem read by Year 10 student Toumanda Fohrman
- School Choir to sing the Australian Anthem
- Guest Speaker Sharralyn Robinson, Aboriginal Community Engagement Officer, will talk about the significance & meaning of Sorry Day & Reconciliation,
- Prayer of Reconciliation by Emma Williams, Teacher



Reconciliation Week Ceremony 2016



The St Joseph's Catholic High School Reconciliation Ceremony guests included Karan Taylor, Sharralyn Robinson, Richard Campbell. Thank you to all our guests, students & staff for their participation. Thank you to St Joseph's Catholic High School Principal John Barrington for a great speech. Thank you to the ATSI Education Team, Ms Val West, Mr Paul Hughes, Mrs Sue Kennedy, Mr Kane Brown, Mrs Emma Williams. Thank you to all the parents who attended. It was a wonderful ceremony enjoyed by all.



Artist: Richard Campbell