



LETHBRIDGE PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Monday 26 June 2023

NAIDOC WEEK 2023 CELEBRATIONS Tuesday 18 July to Wednesday 19 July 2023



Dear Parents / Caregivers,

On **Tuesday 18 July and Wednesday of 19 July (Term 3, Week 1)** Lethbridge Park Public School will be taking part in NAIDOC celebrations with students, families and members of the community.

This year's theme is **For Our Elders**. Across every generation, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Elders have played, and continue to play, an important role and hold a prominent place in communities and families. They are cultural knowledge holders, trailblazers, nurturers, advocates, teachers, survivors, leaders, hard workers and loved ones. We pay our respects to Elders lost and to those who continue fighting for Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples across all nations. We pay homage to them.

As part of our NAIDOC celebration, our students will be engaged in:

- yarnning and cultural talks, boomerang throwing, spear games (Dalmarri)
- Dharug language games (Miss Coplin)
- Participating in smoking ceremony and learning cultural practices with Uncle Dennis
- Making of Johnny cakes with Miss Leah and Miss Alison
- Identifying native plants in our Bush Tucker Gardens (with the Royal Botanical Gardens)

PLEASE JOIN OUR NAIDOC CELEBRATION

TUESDAY 18 JULY

- **9am – Smoking Ceremony (conducted by Uncle Dennis)**

WEDNESDAY 19 JULY

- **12pm – Elders and Grandparents art workshop (conducted by Dalmarri)**
- **1:15pm – Picnic lunch**

Each student has prepared a 'I love my Elders because...' display which will be available for viewing outside the hall for families to take home their own children's display.

If you wish to attend the Elders and Grandparents Art Workshop, please advise us by completing the form below and return it to the office by Thursday 29 June.

We look forward to sharing our special messages with you at our NAIDOC celebration.

The Aboriginal Education Team

Mr G Sheen
Executive Principal

Elders and Grandparents Art Workshop

I wish to attend the **Elders and Grandparents Art Workshop**.

Name of attendee's: _____

Child's name: _____

