

# NOLLAMARA PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER



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## PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Dear Nollamara Primary School Community

Welcome back to Term 2. It has been wonderful to see our students transition so smoothly back into school routines. They have returned with positive attitudes, settled quickly into their classrooms, and are already showing great focus in their learning. Thank you to our families for helping make the start of term such a successful one.

This term, our school held a respectful and meaningful ANZAC Day service. It was a special opportunity for our students and staff to come together to reflect on the courage, sacrifice and service of those who have served our country. We were very proud of the way our students participated and showed respect throughout the service.

We are also excited that our 10-week program for Aboriginal students, Koolangka Kaatdijin Boodja, has begun. This program provides students with valuable opportunities to learn more about Aboriginal culture, knowledge and connection to Country. We look forward to seeing the learning and experiences that come from this important program over the coming weeks.

A reminder to families to continue supporting our 200 Days of Reading challenge. Regular reading at home makes a big difference to student learning, and we encourage families to keep reading and recording each day. Every entry helps build strong reading habits and celebrates the importance of literacy across our school community.

Finally, due to new Department guidelines, families may notice that there will be fewer written comments included in student reports this semester. To support communication about student progress, families will have the opportunity to attend a report interview on 1 July. More information about this process will be shared in the next newsletter.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a fantastic Term 2 together.

Warm regards

Terese Morse  
Principal

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## PBS

At Nollamara Primary School (NPS), we implement Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports (PBS) to foster a positive learning environment. PBS promotes social competence and positive behaviours through clear expectations, consistent reinforcement, and a tiered support approach. Our school embodies PBS through the REACH values: Respect, Excellence, Acceptance, Compassion, and Honesty.

We incorporate PBS in our day to day teaching, allowing the students at NPS to build important life skills. This supports them in being respectful to those around them while also building their self confidence and academic success. At NPS, we teach a specific value each week through daily lessons. Please ask your child what the REACH value is for the week so they can also consolidate it at home. We believe that consistently reminding and reinforcing these values will help our students become confident, considerate and well-mannered global citizens!

RESPECT	EXCELLENCE	ACCEPTANCE	COMPASSION	HONESTY
We show whole-body listening. We walk calmly, quietly and sensibly around the school. We keep the school clean by putting rubbish in the bin. We use respectful language. We follow teachers instructions the first time.	We participate in all class activities. We ask for help when we don't understand. We take pride in our work and ourselves. We line up quietly and wait for our teachers. We follow the rules of the activities we participate in.	We acknowledge and celebrate the diversity of our school. We are inclusive and accepting of others. We always allow everyone to join in. We accept that we all have different strengths.	We are kind to everyone. We help others. We wait patiently for our turn.	We always tell the truth. We take responsibility for our actions. We stay inside the school boundaries.

We recently had a REACH mascot competition and these were our amazing finalists: Leilani Taraia (Room 21), Tandin Seldon (Room 18), Arham Hammad (Room 1) and Tarek Mohamed Guilbert (Room 3). Congratulations to everyone who submitted a mascot and to these incredible winning entries.



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## ANZAC COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

On Friday 24th April, our school community gathered for an ANZAC Commemorative Service to honour the courage and sacrifice of those who have served our country. Students and staff came together in a spirit of reflection and respect, creating a solemn and meaningful atmosphere.

Ms Zoe French played The Last Post and The Rouse on the bugle, adding a powerful and poignant element to the ceremony. Our student leaders were exceptional in their readings, demonstrating confidence, maturity and respect for the occasion. The behaviour of all students was outstanding, with the entire school showing commendable reverence throughout the service.

Ms French remarked that it was one of the most respectful and quiet school services she has attended in a long time - a testament to the pride and values of our school community.

## ABORIGINAL CULTURAL LEARNING PROGRAM

Milliyaan Aboriginal Services have completed their second Aboriginal cultural learning program.

Cyril Yarran will be onsite for 10 weeks teaching our Aboriginal students from Kindy to Year 6 about Noongar identity and belonging, basic Noongar language, exploring the Noongar 6 seasons whilst engaging in cultural art and storytelling and strengthen confidence and cultural pride.

So far they have learnt about Aboriginal culture through interactive, hands-on activities and stories.

Cyril will be here each Wednesday from the rest of this term and into Term 3.

This week students walked the grounds of the school and learnt about the medicine tree, (which is outside of Room 27) that the leaves when rubbed are good for clearing blocked noses and sores. Kindy and Pre-primary students learnt about the native bees that don't sting.

Everyone learnt about noongar animals echidna-ninyarn and kookaburra- Kaa kaa



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## SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL) PROGRAM

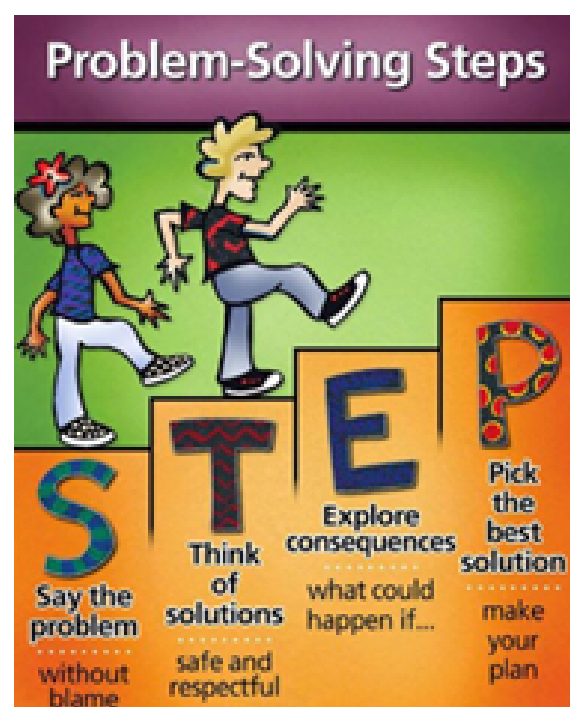
This year, as part of our Health curriculum, our school has begun using the Second Step program to support students' social and emotional learning. Success in school is not only about academics, but also about learning how to learn and how to get along with others. Nollamara Primary School is a Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) school, and we believe the Second Step program aligns strongly with this approach, as it helps children develop important skills in:

- **Skills for Learning** – focusing attention, listening carefully, and asking for help when needed.
- **Empathy** – understanding our own feelings and the feelings of others.
- **Emotion Management** – learning ways to calm down when we feel upset, worried, or angry.
- **Problem Solving** – learning positive ways to solve problems with others.

Throughout the year students will take part in regular lessons each term designed to practise these skills, linking to the PBS lessons already being taught in class. The school believes this is such an important part of the curriculum and one we want to work with families in unison. As the year goes on more information in this area will be sent home to families.

The school will also run smaller, targeted groups focused on our SEL program, aimed at further supporting students as they develop these skills in a practical, hands-on group environment.

We thank you for helping us support your child as they learn skills that help them succeed at school and at home. Since introducing the program it has been evident to staff our students language begin to change in this area.



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## YEAR 6 LEAVERS SHIRTS

We are excited to share that our Year 6 Leavers Shirts have officially arrived!

This year, all Year 6 students had the opportunity to submit their own designs, before voting on their favourite. It was fantastic to see so much creativity and student voice throughout the process.

A big congratulations to Tina Tran, whose design was selected as the winning entry!

We are looking forward to seeing our Year 6 students wearing their shirts with pride as they celebrate their final year of primary school.



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## ART NEWS

Senior Art students have finished their study of Austrian artists. Their Hundertwasser-inspired and Klimt-inspired artworks demonstrated amazing creativity and intelligent observation. Parents are welcome to see colour copies on display in the Art room.




Middle-school students complemented their winter landscape artworks with summer landscapes in warm colours.



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## COFFEE CONNECT AT NOLLAMARA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Come and chat with the Principal and our School Support Staff in a relaxed and friendly setting.

 Every Tuesday

 After morning drop-off, from 8:50am

 Room 27

Enjoy a coffee, some cake, and a conversation. Whether you have a question, a concern, or just want to connect, we'd love to see you. Babies and toddlers are welcome!



## IMPORTANT TIMES TO NOTE

Another reminder that the office is open from 7:30am – 3:30pm for all your enquiries.

The school gates open at 8am for students. Between 8 – 8:30am there is supervised reading and breakfast in the undercover area. This is a lovely time for our students to transition into the school day.

At 8:30am, the bell rings and students can enter their classes.

Formal teaching starts at 8:45am. If your child is going to reach class after 8:50am they need to go to the office and get their attendance marked as the teacher would already have submitted it.

School finishes at 2:50pm. The front of the school is supervised by staff until 3:10pm. If your child hasn't been collected by this time, we will call you.

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## MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE



*Mother's Day  
Raffle*

Tickets on sale for  
**\$2 each or 6 for \$10**

Multiple prizes drawn

**Tickets will be on sale after school on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday outside Kindy, and on Wednesdays after school outside the office until the day of the draw.**

Mother's Day raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 6 May.

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### IMPORTANT DATES

8 May -	Room 5 & 17 Assembly
29 May -	Staff Development Day - No School for Students
1 June-	Public Holiday
5 June -	Assembly - Room 4 & 11
26 June -	Assembly - Room 21 & 1
29 June - 3 July	NAIDOC Week

If you have any queries please see your child's teacher or email our office staff [Nollamara.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Nollamara.ps@education.wa.edu.au) or call the school on 9413 1550.

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*Thank you for reading!*