



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

September 9th, 2022

Here is the earth, here is the sky, here are my friends and here am I.

Thank you to the oceans, animals and plants. Thank you to the sun, moon and rain.

Thank you to the Wulgurukaba and Bindal people whose land we play and learn on all day.

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians and their Elder's past, present and emerging.



### A Message from the Director of School Campus

This week is Child Protection Week, and we focus our attention on how we protect children in our immediate families, our schools, and in the wider community. We all

have this responsibility, which is the most important thing we have to do as adults. The theme of the week is: *'Every child, in every community, needs a fair go'*. It means that to treat all of Australia's children fairly, we need to make sure every family and community has what kids need to thrive and be healthy. Children and young people thrive when they grow up safe, connected, and supported in their family, community, and culture. Children have the right to grow up in environments that support them according to their needs, now and into the future.

Last week, the school, the students, their families, and the community came together for NAIDOC celebrations to honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's history, culture, and achievements. Many thanks to everyone who attended and supported the school and the staff for their diligent efforts in organising the event. Cultural events like NAIDOC Day help children form a healthy identity and feel connected to their family, community, and culture, which is the essence of this year's Child Protection Week theme.

Peace and Grace  
Sharyn Ive



### Chappy's Corner

#### What an incredible NAIDOC Day for 2022!

It is such an honour to see our kids practice for weeks and then perform with such

COURAGE and PRIDE in their culture.

One of my highlights was seeing the Yr 4-6 boys 'shake a leg' for the Shalom Elders Village.

We also had the blessing of 'Normey Jay' who connected so well with our kids. To see them dance with him on stage, and also have him sign posters was so special.

Many even got to make new family connections as Uncle or Grandad!

Stay tuned for more photos and videos on our school Facebook!

Finally, we also had **DAN WARLOW** visit Primary on Tuesday with puppetry, songs and music.

He is a gifted performer and always encourages our kids in Jesus.

Bless you all in the peace and grace of God,

Andy and Irene



## SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday 8.00am—4.00pm

Phone: 4445 2100

Email: [Shalom@carinity.qld.edu.au](mailto:Shalom@carinity.qld.edu.au)

## Important Dates

- Student Free Day **Fri 16th Sep**
- First day of Term 4 **Wed 5th Oct**

## News from the Year 5/6 class

On Friday mornings the year 5/6 class has been visiting junior classes to read with the younger students. This is a great opportunity for students to feel a sense of achievement with their reading and encourage each other!



## A Message from Head of Primary

Dear Families,

Term 3 has been full of blessings and continuing to build a strong sense of community at school. Throughout term 3 we have engaged in Interschool Athletics Carnival, Garbutt Magpies Cup, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Day, Rollingstone Close the Gap Day and NAIDOC Day.



School absenteeism significantly impacts on students' learning and wellbeing. Research shows that higher student attendance is associated, on average, with higher student achievement. Additionally, attending school every day helps children to build social and emotional skills such as communication, teamwork and resilience. Under the law, you must make sure your child is enrolled and attends school on all school days unless there is a reasonable excuse. If your child does not want to go to school, or is missing school without you knowing, please contact the school for further support and guidance.

We have been on the PBL journey this year and work towards Carinity Education's 3 school rules – **Accept, Aspire and Achieve**. Where, *at the heart of a Shalom student, we accept, we try our hardest, and we never give up*. As a Positive Behaviour for Learning school, we promote those appropriate prosocial behaviours, and support children to reach their full potential.

Take care

Mrs Simmonds

## Rollingstone and District Community Fun Day



On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August the Year 2/3 and 3/4 classes were invited to attend the Rollingstone and District Community Fun Day.

The students got to share their NAIDOC performance, and enjoy dreamtime stories, rock painting, dance performances and arts and crafts. The day was an amazing success, and students enjoyed their time.



## Safety Heroes Education Program—Ergon Energy Visit

This week Primary enjoyed a visit from Ergon Energy—Safety Heroes Program. The aim of the program is to educate students about how electricity works and how to behave safely around electrical equipment.



Department of Education, Training and Employment

### Every day counts

#### MOST STUDENTS ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY

It's important that children are at school all day, every day

OK reasons to stay home from school: sick, natural disasters

It's NOT OK to skip school to: shop, sleep in, finish an assignment, go on holidays

#### EVERY DAY AT SCHOOL COUNTS

Missing even 1 day can make a difference:

1 day off school each fortnight = Missing more than a year of learning over 12 years

Each day's learning builds on what has been learnt before

Good attendance begins in Prep. It's where good habits begin

#### ATTEND ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

1% more students attending school every day

2-3 more students attending school every day

What parents can do:

- Monitor the attendance of school
- Make sure your child is ready to attend school
- Get involved in your child's school

For more information see the Every Day Counts website: <http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/>



## National Science Week

Primary classes enjoyed a range of activities during National Science Week which was held in Week 6!



## **Bus Messages**

### **Morning Pick Up:**

Students must board the bus from their registered address unless prior arrangements have been made through the Office at least two (2) days in advance of pick up.

It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to arrange for the student to get to school, if the student is at a different address.

### **Afternoon Drop Off:**

Students will be dropped off at the address that is listed on their enrolment unless parents/carers have notified the office of any changes by calling ***the office on 4445 2100 before 1.00pm.***

**It is not the responsibility of the morning bus driver to notify the office of any changes.**

### **Behaviour on the Buses**

Students are expected to;

- Wear a seatbelt at all times
- Sit in allocated seats at all time
- **Have no Food or Drink in the bus**
- Behave respectfully and appropriately.
- Children in Years P-3 will sit in a booster seat

Students not following expectations will be given a warning, parents will be notified, and letter sent home.

If the behaviour continues after the second warning, students will not be able to access the Free Bus Service for up to 5 days.

## **Year 8 Science**



The students have had a colorful term learning about states of matter, and how the energy and other properties of



particles determine how substances mix and or react. The class this week then enjoyed making home made ice-cream.



Ms Yvette

Ms Zindzi

Ms Viv

Desmond Clark

Lilliaana Jones-Shallis

Alanah Pompey

Yasmin Robertson

Kasheya Sibley

Veronica Whaleboat

Tyeesha Williams

## **Townsville Astronomy Club Visit**

Dennis Black from the Townsville Astronomy Club visited Shalom secondary students to show them what the sun looks like through a special solar telescope.

Students could see sun spots and learned about the protective effects of the sun's magnetic field over the whole solar system.



## **A Message from Head of Secondary**



Dear Families,

As term 3 comes to a close, we look back and reflect on a busy and successful term it has been.

This term has seen our students show real grit and determination by turning up each day and taking advantage of the educational opportunities available here at Shalom. A big thank you to families for their encouragement and support in displaying our school values to ***Accept, Aspire and Achieve.***

The secondary school are pleased to let the Shalom community know that our new learning spaces have been completed. We look forward to using these classrooms in term 4. Our new purpose-built learning spaces include new Art and Science classrooms and two general classrooms.

We are excited and committed to providing high-quality learning environments for our students and can't wait to see the rooms in full use!

God bless

Stuart Todd



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# Celebrating NAIDOC Day 2022

NAIDOC celebrations at Shalom started with a March through the Shalom Elders Village, the Year 4-6 boys performed 'Shake a leg' to the Elders.

This was followed by everyone gathering at the outdoor amphitheater to enjoy student, staff and special guest Normey Jay performances.

Thank you to all our staff, students, families and community members who supported our NAIDOC celebrations!

