



Newsletter

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Developing a strong learning community through our values of:

Respect Resilience Rigour

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A MESSAGE FROM SUE WIRTH

"...A reconciled Australia is one where our rights as First Australians are not just respected but championed in all places that matter..." Kirstie Parker-Board Member, Reconciliation Australia.



Dear families and carers,

We recognise National Reconciliation week from 27th May till 3rd June. This year's theme "In this together" is very apt for 2020! At Modbury West School we celebrated with our students at an online gathering. Students in U7 led this gathering which was watched live in classrooms. It is so encouraging to listen our students who have been learning some Kaurna language, reading the acknowledgement to country and showcasing their learning of the school values.

At its heart, reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians. 2020 also marks the twentieth anniversary of the reconciliation walks of 2000.

As always, we stand on the shoulders of those who came before us, and Australians now benefit from the efforts and contributions of people committed to reconciliation in the past. Today we work together to further that national journey towards a fully reconciled country.

Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians – as individuals, families, communities, organizations and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We strive towards a more just, equitable nation by championing unity and mutual respect as we come together and connect with one another. On this journey, Australians are all **In This Together**; every one of us has a role to play when it comes to reconciliation, and in playing our part we collectively build relationships and communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories and cultures.

I see evidence of this at Modbury West, where educators develop ideas, thoughts and tasks to support and improve learning. In this important journey, we now welcome Deb to our team. She is our new Aboriginal Education Teacher and will work full time till the end of the year with students and their families. Deb's focus is on the learning programs of our students and developing learning plans. Amy our Aboriginal Community Education Officer, continues to support families, students and staff with attendance, wellbeing and engagement. We hope to continue to investigate and develop a Reconciliation Action Plan for Modbury West School Community. I hope you will join us on this journey!

Kind regards,

Sue Wirth

Principal

REMEMBER : IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL, PLEASE KEEP THEM HOME AND LET THE SCHOOL KNOW

SCHOOL TIMES

Start of day
8.45am
End of day
3.05pm

Diary Dates

Term 2, 2020

June

8th
Queen's Birthday
Public Holiday

9th
Pupil Free Day

12th
Wear Your Team
Colours Day

16th
Governing Council
Meeting

July

3rd
END OF TERM
Early Dismissal

2.05pm

TERM 3
Back to school

20th JULY

Recognition Awards

UNIT 1

Ruby D

Oliver

UNIT 2

Braxton B

Ruby T

UNIT 3

Hunter B

Kenzie K

UNIT 5

Eli J

Kalina S

UNIT 6

Vincent R

Jacob H

UNIT 7

Antonio P

Evie Mc

M 10

Ashmin K

Rihana Y

M11

Imogen G

Oliver P

M12

Riley A

Mahli P

M13

Noah D

Mei N

M14

Brendon M

Ella S

M15

Antigone S

Mohammad W

M16

M17

Shanti S

Shaun A

M18

Emily T

Bianca s

M19

Harry J

Jade W



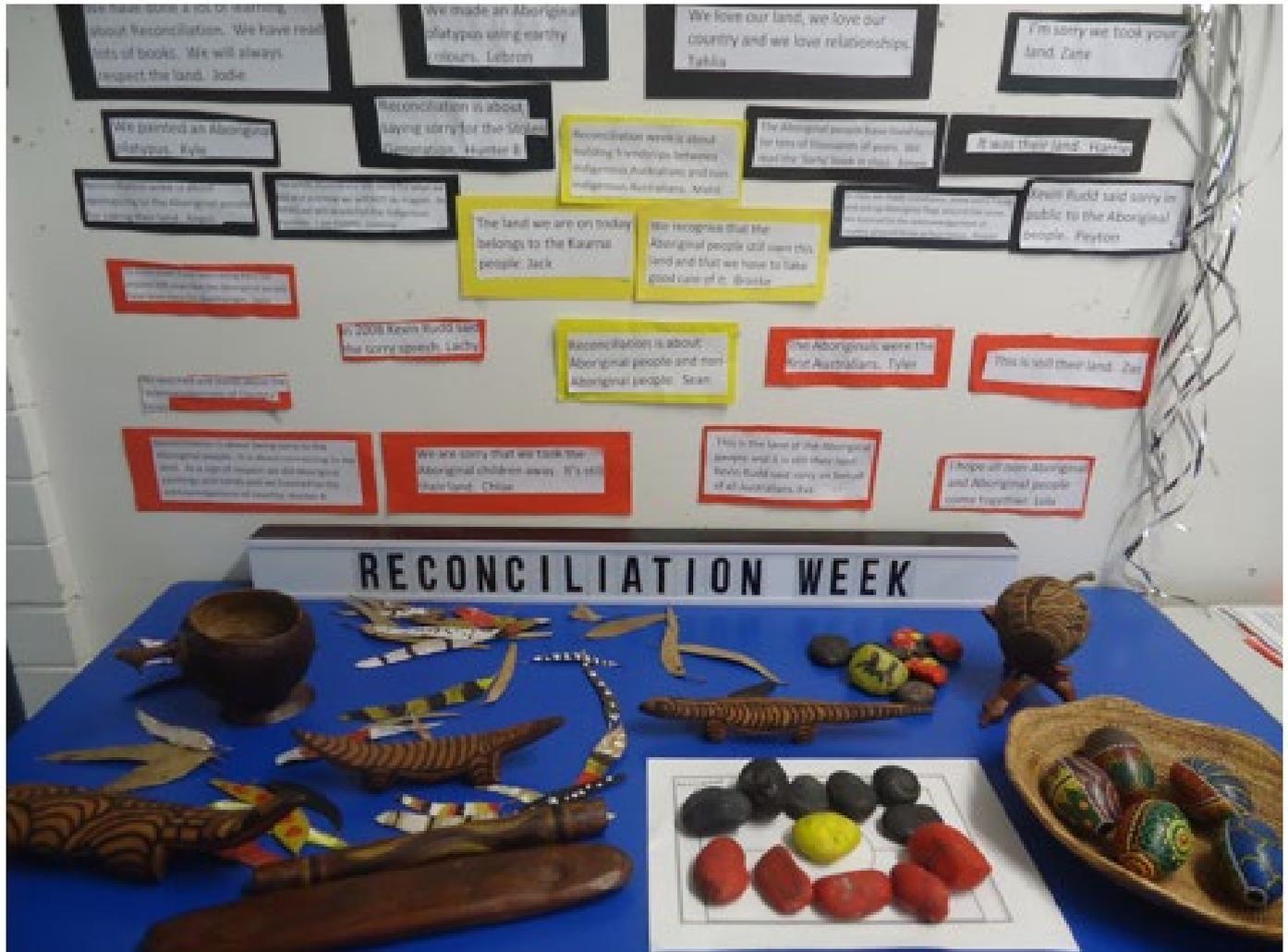
CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Jeremy H - For **OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE** in keeping our school clean and tidy.

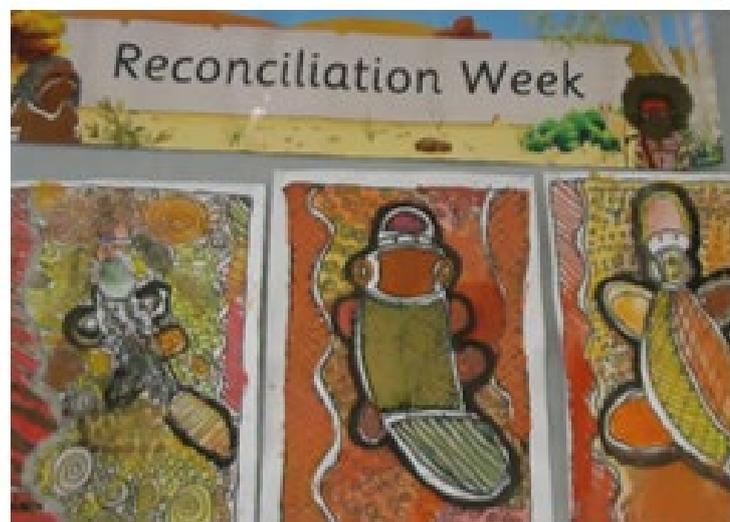
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WELL DONE 

Celebrating Reconciliation Week in M12



In M12 we have been learning about Reconciliation Week and Sorry Day. We have read lots of books, had many discussions and listened to Acknowledgement of Country. We are reading a class novel called 'The Burnt Stick' which helps us learn about the Stolen Generation and the history of Indigenous Australians.



A Message from Jess



We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

School attendance has a major influence on educational outcomes. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve better results at school and are more likely to complete their schooling.

Parents can encourage their child to attend school by having a positive attitude to learning and education.

Poor school attendance patterns can start as early as preschool. It is important that from the first day of school parents set an expectation that their children will be at school every day. Missing an average of **ten days of school** a term adds up to missing two full years of schooling by the end of Year 10.

If your child is absent from school you must notify the school as soon as possible. This can be done on the morning of the absence (before 8.45 am) by phone: 082650900 SMS or email dl.1210_info@schools.sa.edu.au or after he/she returns to school via a phone call, email, hand written note.

If your child is absent without letting to school know the following steps will take place

- Every morning an SMS will be sent to parents/caregivers requesting a reason for the student's absence for the day.
- If unexplained absences continue a phone call from the wellbeing leadership explaining our concerns
- If the attendance problem continues the wellbeing leader in consultation with the teacher, will refer the matter to our Attendance officer
- LATENESS
- If your child arrives to school after 8.45 am they must go to the front office and collect a late slip.
- EARLY DERPSRTURE
- If you're collecting your child early the Parent/caregiver needs to sign the child out at the Front Office. We will then ring their class and have them sent over to the office.

HAVING TROUBLE GETTING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL

If you are having trouble getting your child to come school please contact the school as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support Networks. We are here to help and we want every student to feel welcomed and supported at school.

It's NOT ok to be away – Every school day counts



Canteen Student Action Team

Dear Families,

Just a reminder the canteen is open for online lunch orders and snacks via the Qkr app. There are lots of great snacks including ice blocks, ice cream cups, JJ's and Oreo's.

There will be new seating outside the canteen very soon.

Thank you

Kyle, Torry, Jane and Abigail

On behalf of The Canteen Student Action Team



Parent Information

Keeping connected to online support

Children and young people grow up in a highly connected world. Online connections are integral to how they live. As parents and carers, it's important to help your child manage how and when they are online.

While at times it may be necessary to limit their access, it's important to remember that their online connections can be healthy and link them to supportive friends on social media or to mental health information and services.

Children and young people need to know its ok to reach out to mental health professionals when they need advice and support.

We want all children and young people to feel respected, in touch and mentally healthy. We can guide them through complicated relationships, no matter where they happen. Let's work together to help them stay safe and keep connected.

[esafety resources](#) provide useful information and advice for parents and carers to help children have safe experiences online.

Mental health resources

<https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

<https://headspace.org.au/eheadspace/>

Parent Information

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Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by Mastercard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

With Qkr you can:

- Order and pay for your child's lunches, reducing the need to bring cash to school;
- Pay for a variety of school items;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.

Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!
on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app

Step 2 Register
Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school
Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

Step 4 Register your children
When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

Search for our school name

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

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Add your children's details in Student Profiles

Select 'Add student profile'

Add each child's details

Manage each child's details in Student Profiles

Order meals

Select a menu from our canteen

Tap the green box to view your receipt or to cancel an order

Tap to change the date you are ordering for

Tap to change the child you are ordering for

Tap 'Repeat order' to copy all paid orders from one week to the next

Tap 'Checkout' then confirm and p

Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet

At checkout select which card to pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted by the school.

Once your payment is approved you can continue to the home page, or view your receipt.

Qkr App

You can download the Qkr App to your phone via App Store. We are not taking any cash at Modbury West at the moment due to COVID-19.

- You can order lunches and snacks from the canteen.
- Uniforms
- Pay school fees
- Any excursions during the year (when they start again)

Thank you for your understanding

If you have any questions or have trouble with the app, please let Front Office staff know and we will try to help you.

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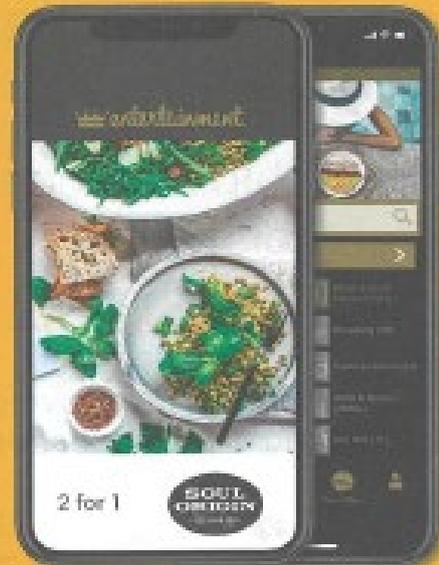
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2

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