

# WHAT'S ON IN GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP?

## WELCOME BACK!!

What a great start to the year. Term 1 saw all students show a greater understanding of the topics covered based around the topic **My Community**. We really enjoyed watching the students be able to participate, share and learn.

**Term 2**, our whole school topic is '**Indigenous Australians**'. The Prep to 2 year levels lessons will cover a wide range of topics such as the three Australian Flags, General History, the Importance of landmarks, Connection to Country, Dance, the meaning behind Art, Indigenous Harmony, Dreamtime and the future.

We already had a great introduction to our topic from the incursion in Term 1. Sean Choolburra, he definitely sparked an interest and a thirst to discover more about Australia's history in both students and teachers.

Students will discover what it means to have '**Connection to Country**' and how they themselves can connect to the land and environments in which they move around in. Why sacred sites are very important to Indigenous Australians, and where these located? And...Art can be found in so many places, cave and rock walls, artefacts, instruments and as we see in the modern day on canvas and bodies during performances (like Sean Choolburra). But what does this Art work represent? We have so much to explore....

The 3-6 students are looking at topics similar to above with a focus on **Indigenous History**. They will be taking it deeper asking some questions such as...What is the importance of Aboriginal culture on Australian history? AND How does Aboriginal culture influence our local, national and global livelihood?

Students will also be looking at colonisation, bush tucker, Indigenous dialect and of course the

**Dreamtime**.



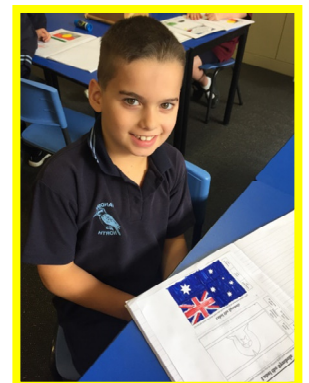
These are Australia's 3 official flags. Do you know what each colour and symbol represents?

Have a go!!

We encourage families to discuss the topics learnt in Global Citizenship. Share your knowledge, ask questions and discuss any misconceptions.

We cannot wait to teach and learn alongside the students in Term 2. I have heard several interesting stories told to me by students that have come from their own experiences, mainly from travelling around Australia, visiting sacred sites or taking an interest in a display such as the Melbourne Museum. To be a good Global citizen we need to be good global learners. This often comes from travel and sharing these experiences with one another. And is a key way to understanding and being compassionate to all people in this great big world.

As a whole school we will also be covering **National Sorry Day**. The official day is on **May 26th**.



Prep to Grade 2 students have been very interested by the fact that the **Southern Cross constellation** can be found on both our Australian flag and in the night sky. It would be great if one night you point it out?