

# Gundaroo Public School

Week 5, Term 4, 2020



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Dear Parents,

Wow!!! As you may well have heard, our Silent Auction was a HUGE success, with over \$7700 raised!! Thank you so much to the local businesses and community members who were so generous with their prize donations, and of course to all of the fantastic bidders, often paying more than the stated value of the prizes!

With the Quiz Night not going ahead this year for the first time since 1981, we were determined to do *something*, but never in our wildest dreams did we think that we would raise that much money. I've said it many times before, but it really is testament to the fantastic community that Gundaroo is.

All of the money raised will go to the completion of our film studio and makerspace, which will be located in the breakout rooms in the double classroom. For a small school such as ours to have such fantastic facilities really does show us just how lucky we are. Thank you. We can't wait to share photos with you.

## End of year events

Guidelines to come into effect from the 12th of November have been released to schools, and while many events are technically able to go ahead, complying with the 4-square metre rule indoors means that for this year, we will have to adapt our usual practices significantly.

- ⇒ **Concert & Presentation Night:** Due to the short time frame, there will be no concert this year. We will be making our end-of year awards presentation at the Community Breakfast.
- ⇒ **Captains Speeches:** These will be live-streamed/recorded as social distancing guidelines do not permit guests. These will be held at 9:30am on Friday 4th December.
- ⇒ **Year 6 Farewell:** Planning for this is still being finalised. Mrs Harris will begin this process with Year 6 students this week.
- ⇒ **Community Breakfast:** We are pleased to announce this will be going ahead, however at the Gundaroo Park, rather than on school grounds. We are still wading through the finer details of our COVID-Safe plan for the event, alongside works happening at the park, and will inform you of details soon. We will make our presentation of the Special Awards (usually reserved for Presentation Assembly) at this time, alongside the announcement of our School Captains. The Community Breakfast will be held on Friday 11th December, from 7:30am.

We will continue to keep you informed of updates as they arrive.

Have a great week,

Nigel Trethowan



13.11.20

Kindy Orientation/  
School Transition  
Morning

20.11.20

Kindy Orientation/  
School Transition

20.11.20

Whole school  
assembly.

26.11.20

P&C Meeting, 7pm.  
All welcome.

27.11.20

Kindy Orientation/  
School Transition  
Whole day



I coded  
robots -  
George



Coding on a  
computer -  
Maddy



I did lots of  
craft -  
Georgia



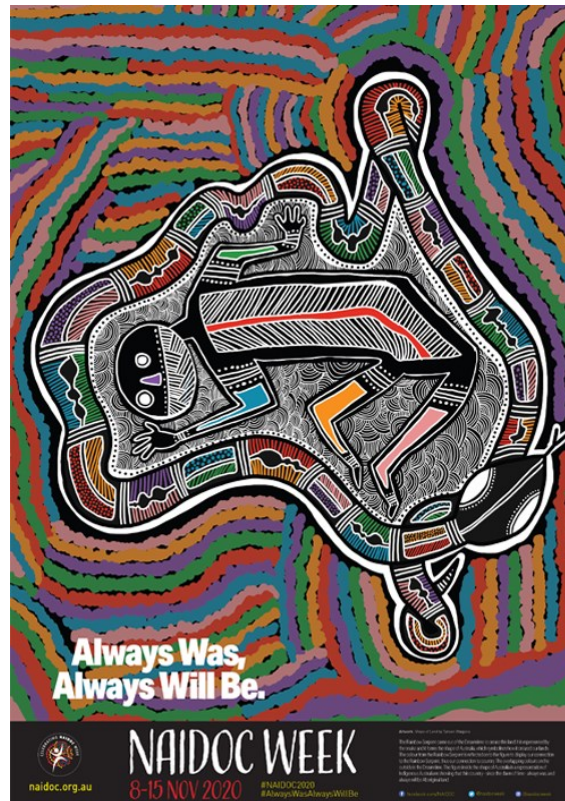
I coded  
robots - Lucca



I made a new  
friend - Mabel

What's one thing  
you've done in  
orientation?

# NAIDOC WEEK 2020 - Always Was, Always Will Be



## Statement from the National NAIDOC Committee

Regardless of when it is celebrated NAIDOC Week is an event of national importance for all Australians.

A week borne from a day of protest, NAIDOC Week each year reminds us of the ongoing aspirations of our communities as they continue the movement towards justice and equality. Importantly, NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians to come together to celebrate not only Indigenous achievement but the history, rich culture, and survival of the oldest continuing living culture on the planet.

Woven into the fabric of NAIDOC celebrations are the achievements of leaders and trailblazers of the past. While many NAIDOC Award ceremonies have been cancelled – including the National NAIDOC Awards - we commit to honouring and celebrating a new generation of inspirational achievers in 2021.

We take this opportunity to acknowledge the voluntary work and dedication of the many local and regional NAIDOC Committees, the individuals and organisations across Australia who each year are the driving force behind NAIDOC.

While NAIDOC Week each year celebrates and acknowledges our past and our present it also looks with hope towards the future. The sheer numbers of events and activities held every year emphasises the growing success and importance of NAIDOC Week.

Always Was, Always Will Be recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years.

We want all Australians to celebrate that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were Australia's first explorers, first navigators, first engineers, first farmers, first botanists, first scientists, first diplomats, first astronomers and first artists.


That this country has the world's oldest oral stories, the world's first maps, and the earliest paintings of ceremony.

We are excited by the sheer number and diversity of celebrations and activities that are taking place across the country accommodating social gathering restrictions and social distancing measures because of COVID19.

We invite all Australians to take the time to learn, share and participate in these unique celebrations.

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# REMEMBRANCE DAY

Tomorrow we will have a service for Remembrance Day.

Could you please send in a flower for the wreath.

**Unfortunately we are unable to have guests attend our service this year.**



## Library News

It has been so encouraging to see so many books being borrowed across all sections of the Library this year. However, it is now that time of the year when we conduct our stocktake. Can you please help your children to find all the overdue library books and cloth bags that are hiding on shelves and under beds and return them to the red box in the Library? Overdue notices will go home this week.

This week we celebrate NAIDOC Week and Remembrance Day. Check out the displays and find other books on the shelf at 298 and 940.

## BIRTHDAYS!

Tayah - 12th November  
Mabel - 13th November

Matilda K - 14th November



**This week's quote from your Wellbeing Captain, Alex:**

*"Don't take the good things for granted."*



YEAR 6

TRANSITION DAY

PROJECTS!





# Gundaroo PS Term 4 2020 Calendar



Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
<b>1</b> Oct	12	13	14	15	16	17/18
<b>2</b> Oct	19	20	21	22	23 Kindy Info Session / Assembly	24/25
<b>3</b> Nov	26	27	28	29 P&C Meeting 7pm	30 Auction Live	31/1
<b>4</b> Nov	2	3	4	5	6 Transition Morning / Auction close	7/8
<b>5</b> Nov	9	10	11	12	13 Transition Morning	14/15
<b>6</b> Nov	16	17	18	19	20 Transition Morning / Assembly	21/22
<b>7</b> Nov	23	24	25	26 P&C Meeting 7pm	27 Transition Day	28/29
<b>8</b> Nov/Dec	30	1	2	3	4 Transition Day / Captains Speeches	5/6
<b>9</b> Dec	7	8	9	10	11 Presentation Assembly	12/13
<b>10</b> Dec	14	15	16 Year 6 Farewell	17 Last day of school	18	19/20