

# Windale Public School

TERM 3 WEEK 6

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## Principal's Message

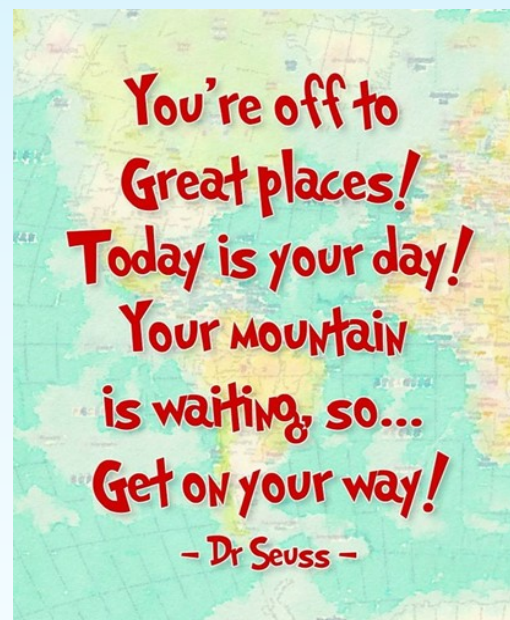
We have now passed the halfway point for Term 3. Our students and staff are working diligently in our classrooms on a daily basis and we are seeing the results from this hard work across the school from Preschool to Year 6. NAPLAN results went home on Friday for our Year 3 and Year 5 students with many of our students achieving fantastic results, particularly in their growth. As a school we will now start a detailed analysis of the results at a school, grade and student level to celebrate together what we have done well and set our future priorities for areas of improvement. At Windale Public School we believe that every student, every teacher, every school can improve. NAPLAN testing and results are not the be all and end all but it does give us the opportunity to compare ourselves to other schools across the state and to similar schools like us so we can see how we are going. We do a similar thing with our K-2 results through Early Action for Success. We believe that every student is entitled the best quality education possible and we strive to deliver this standard on a daily basis.

A major part of this commitment to quality is the commitment of time and money towards ongoing professional development of our staff. All staff members, be they teaching or non teaching, participate in regular training sessions to ensure they have the necessary skills to meet the changing needs of our students in today's schools. An example of this is last week's SLSO breakfast meeting where all the non teaching staff from the primary schools in our Waiyarang Community of Schools – Wiripaang, Mount Hutton and ourselves came together to work on setting goals and future directions. When staff have the opportunity to work in collaboration, results have shown that the ongoing impact

on student learning is much greater which is why we continue to fund valuable training such as this. Similarly, our K-2 and 3-6 staff participate in network days on a regular basis to continue their professional development.



I look forward to seeing the high quality work produced by our students this week and encourage each student to continue to strive to be the very best they can be. In the words of one of my favourite authors Dr Seuss –



Have a fantastic week everyone!

Ms Cindy Sadler

Principal

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

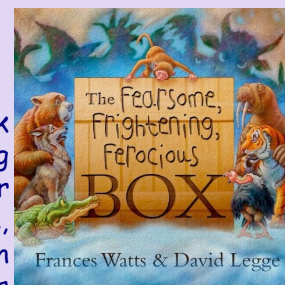
23rd August	Newcastle Permanent Maths Comp YR 5/6	
28th August	P&C Meeting	12:15pm
30th August	K - 2 Oakvale Farm excursion	All day
30th August	Gumnut preschool FATHER'S DAY Stall	
1st September	K- 6 Father's Day Stall + Activities	All day



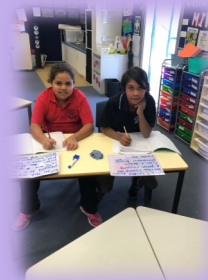
# 4D

## Writing

This term 4D have been inspired by the Book Week theme: Escape to Everywhere. We have been using picture books to create imaginative stories that take our readers on a journey. This week we read "The Fearsome, Frightening and Ferocious Box" and then created our own stories about finding a mysterious box. The students were very engaged and used great adjectives and descriptive writing to create a visual picture of what they found. During the process Miss Davies gave them a W.A.L.T (We Are Learning To) - write an imaginative story to engage and intrigue the reader and a W.I.L.F. (What I'm Looking For) - to use knowledge of mystery to produce a mysterious and intriguing story. They came up with some fantastic results.

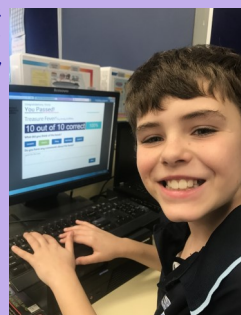
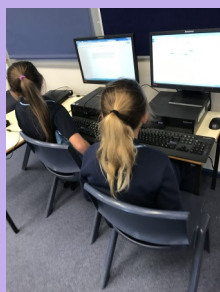


4D are in love with our new Chrome-books, we have been exploring google classroom and so far we love it!



## READING

This year our primary classes have started using a program called Literacy Pro by Scholastic. Students use the LitPro Test to assess their independent comprehension level. They then read books that interest them in their reading range and may take LitPro quizzes. In 4D we have started using Literacy Pro and taking our in class Lexile Reading challenge where students are encouraged to read books of interest to them and then complete a Lexile quiz online, those who get 10/10 get a token for our Lexile wall. The idea of the program is to MATCH children to good fit books, MONITOR achievement of reading goals and MOTIVATE children to read more. Our class are loving the challenges and they are enjoying being matched to books that suit both their interests and ability level.



We used Van Gough's "Sunflowers" painting as inspiration for our art activity. We used the original painting on one side of the canvas and on the other we used felt tip pen to re-create what we thought it would look like... we love the way these look in our room and how amazing they turned out.





Our Week 5 PBL lesson is all about learning to play in the boundaries of our school playground in a Safe, Respectful and Responsible way. The poster below outlines how our students can follow this simple school rule and ensure they are in the right place at the right time. Please reinforce this important message with your children.

We are:	SAFE	RESPECTFUL	RESPONSIBLE
This is what it looks like:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I play in the designated play areas within the boundaries.</li> <li>I walk in safe areas within the school.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I remain within the safe areas at school.</li> <li>I recognise and stay within the boundaries marked by red lines within the school.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I am responsible for being in the right place at the right time every time</li> </ul>

Why do we need to do these things?:

- To make sure that we stay safe within the school.
- So that teachers are able to see if we need help or are hurt.
- To ensure that we can continue to play and learn in a safe environment.



## Positive Behaviour for Learning Classroom Behaviour Management System

This term we have made some changes to our PBL Classroom Management System to include some positive rewards for students that display appropriate classroom behaviour and follow our values of being Safe, Respectful and Responsible. We will be explicitly teaching this system to our students to ensure that they understand both the expectations and consequences of their actions. We would like to share this system with our parents and school community in the hope that our expectations and consequences could also be discussed at home to reinforce their importance.

Student's names are moved to Super star if they have displayed constant positive behaviours and completing outstanding work in the learning environment.	Names can be moved up if students are being Safe, Respectful and Responsible in the learning environment.	All students start the day with their name on the green face.	Students who receive a verbal warning will have their name moved here.	Students who have persisted with misbehaviour after receiving their verbal warning will have their name moved to here. This is a 5-minute classroom timeout, allowing students to reflect on their behaviour before discussing it with the teacher and returning to their learning.	The student is still making choices that are not Safe, Respectful or Responsible. The student will go to buddy class time out away from distractions and really think about how they can change their behaviour. The buddy class teacher will also have a chat to the student to think of strategies to turn their behaviour around.	The student has persisted in not following the schools expectations of being Safe, Respectful and Responsible and will need to go to an executive member to discuss their behaviour. Parents and guardians will be contacted and students will receive a strike towards the next PBL reward day.
Types of behaviour which may result in students progressing to our positive rewards, include but are not limited to: quality work, growth mindset, consistent effort, respectful behaviour, responsibility for actions and belongings, dedication to learning, cooperation, staying on task			Types of behaviour which may result in students progressing to our negative consequences, include but are not limited to: MINOR BEHAVIOURS – not following teachers' directions, defiance, disruption, property misuse, inappropriate language, teasing/name calling, non-compliance MAJOR BEHAVIOURS – abusive language, constant defiance, continued disruption, property damage, harassment, physical aggression			



# PRESCHOOL NEWS

## National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day

Gumnut and Wattle Preschool groups celebrated National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day in Week 4. They enjoyed lots of different activities like weaving, making frames, making and eating Aboriginal Johnny cakes and trying a Samoan recipe of Chop Suey.

A big thankyou to Muloobinba Aboriginal Corporation and Miss Vanessa for organizing our special show bags.

### COUNTING FUN AT PRESCHOOL

Wattle Preschoolers loved the racing car number transition game they played last week. Counting is fun at preschool.



### SHADE SAIL

Our preschool were very excited to have their new shade sail installed last week. A huge thank you to Bunnings Belmont who kindly donated this to our school. We now will be extra sunsafe.





## Milabah - Place of Fun.

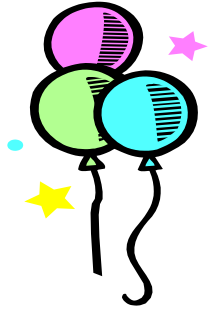


### Jarjums playgroup

Is for 0–5 year olds and is held in Milabah every Tuesday, 9.30am – 11.30am.

Come and join Belinda, have some fun and pick up some great ideas to keep your children's active minds busy with reading, nursery rhymes playdough and lots of craft activities.

We request a gold coin donation for craft items and morning tea will be provided.



For children aged from birth to 6 years and their parents/carers.



### Samaritans Supported Playgroup

Heather is here every Wednesday morning and the playgroup runs from 9.30 – 11.30 am every Wednesday

Samaritans Supported Playgroup supports families to be their child's first teacher and has lots of great ideas for learning through play.

### **For more information**

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Visit [www.samaritans.org.au](http://www.samaritans.org.au)

### Coffee and Craft

Give yourself some time out to relax, have a chat and discover that creative self you have hidden away.

Thursdays 12:30 -2:30pm @ MILABAH

### Windale Fresh

The next order for term 3 needs to be in by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August and pick up from Milabah on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> \$25.00 for a washing basket of fresh fruit & veg. Good value, good quality, so why not order from us and give it a try.

### Free Legal Service

Pat should return next Tuesday, if you need any legal advice, call Roselea to book a time.

### PLANT – We Need You!

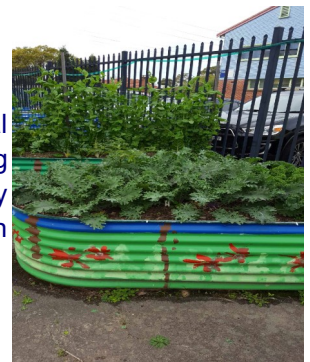
The gardening group is an opportunity for you to learn new skills and share your skills with local men and women, tending vegetable gardens and school gardens. If you are interested in joining this great project call in and see Roselea for more information. Weekly working bees are on every Tuesday with lunch provided. Please join us and see if you have skills to make gardening a fun learning experience.

### Community Garden

The Windale Community Garden is a project for ALL residents of Windale/ Gateshead. If you have an interest in gardening or skills and knowledge to share, come and see Roselea at Milabah. We would love to see the gardens

### Uni4You

Will be holding another session on Monday 18<sup>th</sup>, see flyer on back page .



# Zone Athletics Carnival

In Week 4 we had 17 students represent our school at the Zone Athletics Carnival over two days at Baxter Oval, Marks Point. We had some great results with a number of our students making finals and Joel S successfully making it through to the Regional Athletics carnival in Week 7 for the 1500m. Congratulations to all the students that represented our school for not only having a go and participating but for trying their best and showing great sportsmanship and determination.



Two of our students, Sierra H and Joel S in 4D attended the carnival and wrote the following report:

It started off as a cold winter's morning but throughout the day, the sun came out and it got warmer and we had a beautiful day.



It was an awesome carnival as everyone was cheering and showing great sportsmanship. Everyone was kind and our school was as caring as any school in the world.



We were all tired but we felt proud when our school was running. We cheered them on by saying "come on, you are doing great, keep it up!" We had lots of proud parents and the teachers were keeping us excited. We were all very nervous to run but because we had that cheering we were ok. We also showed good sportsmanship by cheering on the other schools that ran.



Our favourite part of the day was when our school as well as other schools heard us cheering as loud as thunder. We saw their smiles and we were really excited to see that they all liked our cheering. It was a great couple of days and we all showed good sportsmanship.

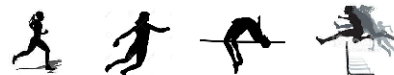


## EASTLAKES ATHLETICS CENTRE Inc.

Interested in athletics?  
Yes, then join a fun family club this  
2017-2018 season

**Saturday morning competition starting  
2<sup>nd</sup> September at 8:30am**

*ALL NEW ATHLETES may come along & try for FREE before 28<sup>th</sup> October  
(\*New athletes only are entitled to 2 free weeks before registering!)*



### REGISTRATION DAYS

*(Birth Certificates required for new registrations)*

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> August, between 2pm & 4pm  
Baxter Field, Findon Street, Marks Point

OR

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, between 8am & 11am  
(First Competition Day!)

**\*\* Early Bird Special, register & pay in full by 14<sup>th</sup> October  
and only pay \$140 (after this date \$150 registration). Family discounts for 3 or  
more athletes. \*\***

Athletes may register at the track on any Saturday morning Competition.

### Ages

Under 5s Tiny Tots (Play Training)  
Under 6s to Under 17s – Little Athletics  
Under 18s – Seniors/Masters – Athletics NSW  
ENQUIRIES – 0410 578 775 / 0402 544 200



Find and like us at EASTLAKES ATHLETICS CENTRE





Last Thursday all of our students who have been Dojo Masters in the last five weeks got to enjoy a special morning tea with Ms Sadler. Students are usually awarded Dojo points in the classroom setting however, they can also earn them in the playground. They earn them for things such as attendance, uniform, fastest/quietest/ best class to lines, growth mindset, resilience, superstar work and being safe, respectful and responsible members of our school. The student who has the most Dojo points for the week is crowned the Dojo Masters and is given certain responsibilities and privileges. All of our students strive hard to become Dojo master and enjoy rewards such as the Dojo Master morning tea in recognition of their hard work and positive attitude to school.



## PBL REWARDS DAY

What a great time was had by all our students who were eligible to take part in our PBL Rewards Day last Wednesday. We had a Windale Masterchef cooking theme for our Week 5 rewards day with each of our teachers and classes deciding how they would like to celebrate their success. By all accounts the best part of the reward was getting to eat what they created.

KK enjoyed decorating Milk Arrowroot biscuits, making fairy bread and cooking and eating pikelets.

K/1D loved cooking and eating their pikelets

1S had fun rotating around fruit stick making, decorating milk arrowroot biscuits and pikelet making.

2M put a twist on their pikelets enjoying some yummy chocolate sauce and Smarties toppings just to add to their deliciousness.

3I created some delectable lolly necklaces and bracelets which they later got to eat.

4D melted, mixed, spread and ate Mars Bar slice which was a little hard to resist.

5H flipped and ate delicious pancakes and had fun making then eating Cheerios necklaces and bracelets.

6C really classed things up tasting different Herbal teas and then trying to identify the flavour. They also had a competition to see who could create the most refreshing fruit punch and concluded with a competition to design the perfect pavlova. Look out Masterchef, I think we have some budding chefs on our hands.

Congratulations to all the students who qualified to take part in the Rewards Day and thank for continuing to be safe, respectful and responsible learners.



# P&C

The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 28th<sup>st</sup> August at 12.15pm in the uniform shop. PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT YOUR CHILDREN. Without your support we are unable to continue to operate. P&C meetings are a great opportunity to have your say about things that are happening in our school. If we don't get people's thoughts, feedback and suggestions, we can't make positive changes so please support our P&C and by doing so, support our school.

## School Banking



Just a reminder SCHOOL BANKING is on a FRIDAY. Please return your banking folder to the office on Friday mornings. Students are able to sign up for school banking at any time. There are some great rewards on offer. Once students have 10 reward tokens, they can return them to the office with their bank book to receive their selected prize. Students are able to choose from the items pictured



here which include bouncy balls, key rings, a tablet case, a pencil case, ear phones, textas and crayons.

## FATHERS DAY STALL

FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

WORLD'S  
BEST  
DAD!



FATHER'S DAY STALL

Our Father's Day stall will be held next Wednesday 30th August for our Preschool Gumnut group with the rest of the school attending on Friday 1st September. There will be gifts of varying costs with nothing over \$5.

**We are in need of helpers** if anyone is able to give some of their time on either of those days to help with the stall. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.



UNIFORM  
SHOP

The uniform shop is open on Thursday and Friday mornings from 8.45am – 9.05am. School hats are also available through the uniform shop for \$8.



# SPORTS REPORT

All of our classes have excitedly embraced the Premier's Sporting Challenge which is now well under way. We have been monitoring the physical activity we do during class time, at recess and lunch as well as during sport. We are also including in our figures what students do outside school hours as these all count towards the Challenge award. We are aiming for all of our students to average at least 60 minutes a day, every day for ten weeks. Each student has a Challenge log book and has been keeping track of their daily physical activity. Students' individual weekly results contribute to the class tally. **If any parents/carers would like to discuss any aspect of the Challenge or if you do not wish for your child/ren to complete it please contact the classroom teacher immediately.**

There was no Friday sport for our primary classes in Week 3 due to our athletics carnival however our infants and pre-schoolers enjoyed our Hot Shots tennis Program.

In Week 4 our netball girls hit the court again and Wow! what a change in weather we had. It was extremely warm, something that we are not used to so quickly. We played Charlton Christian College and had a win 13-9. Danika captained the team well and was very responsible at doing her captain duties. Special mention to Candace for her great defensive game and Tenasy who never gave up.



Our Football teams played Jewells for our Week 4 match. Some of our top players were Nate, Jaxxon, Mason and Cooper. Unfortunately we lost the game but the players showed great sportsmanship with awesome attacking and great defence.

In Week 5 Windale seniors played impressive football against Wiripaang Public School and Floraville Public School. Strong in both attack and defence, Windale scored some great tries, using great teamwork to set up length of the field tries. Everyone played exceptionally well but a special mention must go to Ben and Jaxxon.

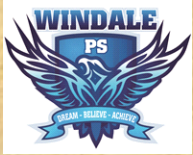
Windale juniors had a fighting win against Wiripaang also showing great defence on their own try line with William G scoring a great try.

Man of the match honours went to Elijah and Jasmine. Sportsmanship was once again of the highest order.



## AWABAKAL WORD OF THE WEEK

We are very excited to announce that last week we introduced our first Awabakal Word of the Week. Each week our posters with our new words will be displayed in all our classrooms with the idea that students and staff use the word as much as possible in class. We will also be encouraging students to use these word in the playground and at home with family and friends. We would love it if our families and community members could help us embrace our traditional Awabakal language and promote our weekly words at home as well.



# AWABAKAL



## WORD OF THE WEEK

### Wolang - Head



“This is a **Wolang** question.”

“Put your hands on your **Wolang**.”

“Be careful not to bump your **Wolang**.”

“Nod your **Wolang** if you want to say yes.”

Sounds like



**Wool - lung**



## Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 4

KK	Darcy, Dekland, Brayden, Freddie	3I	Bianca, Taylor, Kiana	<b>LUCKY AWARDS</b>
K1D	Annabelle, Callie, Jakobi	4D	Tallyn	Callie K1D, Carllea 6C
1S	Latiah, Bailey, Aiden	5H	Emily, Hunta, Kyte, Jaxxon, Connor	<b>RESPECT AWARDS</b>
2M	Tahli, Aliqua, Makayla, Jet	6C	Grace, Shakira, Alyssa	



**INFANTS AWARDS**



**CLASS AWARDS**



**PRIMARY AWARDS**



**READING AWARDS**



**LUCKY AWARDS**

**INFANTS HOME READING AWARD**

**K1D**

**INFANTS CLEANLINESS AWARD**

**K1D**

**PRIMARY HOME READING AWARD**

**4D**

**PRIMARY CLEANLINESS AWARD**

**4D**

**UNIFORM AWARD**

**3I**

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**

**K1D**

**ASSEMBLY AWARD**

**3I**



## Windale PS Weekly Merit Award Winners WEEK 5

KK	Shane, Olivia, Eliana	3I	Izack, Taylor, Aleyah, Ty-Rhys	<b>LUCKY AWARDS</b>
K1D	Mikaela, Janahli, Lakyerah, Lily	4D	Yalondha, Cohan, William R, Sierra, Izaia, Victor	Arliah K1D, Jakobi K1D, Jessy 6C, Angie 5H
1S	Isabell, Jaxon, Hannah	5H	Jye, Bindah, Jasmine, Maverick, Danika	<b>RESPECT AWARDS</b>
2M	Chevy, Jensen, Kayla	6C	Ben, Caleb, Alyssa, Cooper	Sierra 4D, Jet 2M



**INFANTS AWARDS**

**INFANTS HOME READING AWARD**

**K1D**

**INFANTS CLEANLINESS AWARD**

**K1D**

**PRIMARY HOME READING AWARD**

**4D**

**PRIMARY CLEANLINESS AWARD**

**6C**

**UNIFORM AWARD**

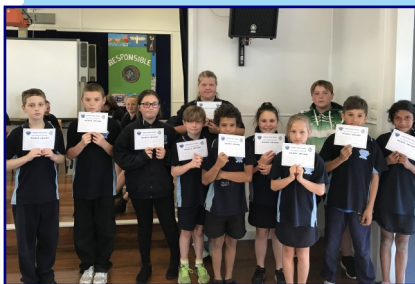
**3I**

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**

**5H**

**ASSEMBLY AWARD**

**1S**



**PRIMARY AWARDS**



**READING AWARDS**



**ATTENDANCE AWARD**

**CLASS ITEM: 2M**



**LUCKY AWARDS**



**RESPECT AWARD**





# JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Last Thursday we held our Jump Rope for Heart Jump Off. Many of our students came dressed in red for a gold coin donation and we had lots of students gain valuable sponsorship and raise funds for this great cause. Jump Rope For Heart is a wonderful program that encourages children to become more active through skipping as well as learning new skills and raising vital funds for heart research and community programs.

Our Jump Rope For Heart Jump Off champions are:

Infants – Sophie Ahoy and Jordan Fuller

Primary – Joel Simon and Taylah Lane

Teacher – Mrs Kingdon

Congratulations not only to our champions but all of our students, staff and community members that got involved and supported this great program.







Windale Public School provides quality programs and quality teaching by highly educated, skilled and dedicated staff. We also provide a safe and nurturing learning environment that develops respect, understanding and responsibility.

<http://www.windale-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>



**Dream, Believe, Achieve.**



Ever wondered about studying at University?

**Uni4You:** Encouraging, supporting and connecting people who are interested in the possibility of study.

**Venue:** Milabah Schools as Community Centre  
Windale Primary School  
Kilfera St, Windale

**Monday 18th September 2017**  
**9:30am-11:30am**

Come along and learn about:

- How brain development and a growth mindset can assist learning.
- Preparing to study
- Pathways to further education (Yapug, Open Foundation or Newstep)

**Morning tea and childcare provided – All Welcome!**

To find out more, or to register, please contact:

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## **The Award-winning CENTRE FOR HOPE Charity & Social Enterprise**

**BENEFIT CONCERT & "CREATIVITY SHOWCASE"**  
**Saturday 2nd September, 2017,**  
**at the Adamstown Uniting Church from 2 - 5 pm**

the 'JOHN QUERPEL & FRIENDS SHOWCASE'  
Program of fun CREATIVITY Experience & Expression includes:

- the 'ONE VOICE MOB' Choir of Children to Elders from Windale Village.
- the internationally acclaimed dancers/choreographers Bron White (founder "Spirit of Movement" health & wellbeing program) & Carole Johnson (creator of the globally renowned Aboriginal Bangarra Dance Theatre) performing with the "SPIRIT of MOVEMENT" Aboriginal Cherubs from the Windale Community.
- a Ceremony with the "ONE NOTE Sacred DIDJERIDOO of Harmony + Healing+ Unity".
- and Australia's own Pete Seeger the singer & songwriter troubadour JOHN QUERPEL with his Musical Friends.

In harmony with Adamstown Arts there will also be a  
"CREATIVITY Gathering & Galvanizing Showcase" in the adjoining Hall.



**FREE Donation ThanksGiving Entry ... "It is in Giving that One truly Receives !!"**  
-- Saint Francis of Assisi - Poet, Troubadour, Seed sower of the Renaissance Creativity and Inspiration for "Humanity & Mother Earth Sustainability" (see Facebook page).

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