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Mungabareena Community Newsletter



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updated with what happening at MAC!**



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VACANT POSITIONS

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TRAINEE RECEPTIONIST - FULL TIME

(Wangaratta)

Applications close: Friday 15th July 2022

This position provides administration/clerical support, secretarial support to management teams and undertaking general administration duties.

MUNGABAREENA HUMAN RESOURCES COODINATOR - FULL TIME

Applications close: Thursday 21st July 2022

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The Housing Officer is to assist tenants to maintain their tenancy and to manage the related maintenance and administrative functions.

ABORIGINAL HEALTH PROMOTION AND CHRONIC CARE WORKER - FULL TIME

(Wodonga and Wangaratta)

Applications close: Monday 11th July 2022

The key focus of this position is to work within the local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community in the Owen's Murray region offering education and support to the people at risk of developing or are diagnosed with chronic illness to access appropriate health care that is culturally respectful and addresses aspects of health including prevention and treatment.

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ABORIGINAL FAMILY VIOLENCE PRACTITIONER - PERPETRATORS RESPONSE - FULL TIME

(Wangaratta)

Applications close: Monday 11th July 2022

This is a position that engages with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander families living in Bushfire Recovery areas who may be experiencing Family or Domestic Violence, while ensuring the safety and wellbeing of children in their care

You will work with other staff at MAC and other services delivered in the bushfire recovery areas to facilitate the provision of innovative, diverse, and culturally appropriate approaches that ensures best outcomes for all residents/families impacted by family and domestic violence.

For more information on any of these vacant positions including a copy of the position description email/call:

hr@mungabareena.org.au

(02) 6024 7599

Note: any position stating **IDENTIFIED POSITION** means only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position. This action constitutes under section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 VIC

To keep up to date on the positions we have available, follow our socials



GET TO KNOW SOME OF THE MAC TEAM

MEET HARLEY



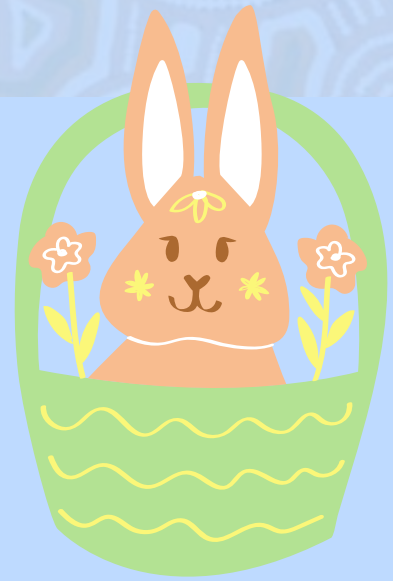
Hello, my name is Harley and I have recently joined the MAC family as the Koori Families as First Educators Support Worker. I am constantly inspired by the parent-child relationship and feel passionate about the importance of building strong foundations from an early age.

I look forward to being part of some great work in the community and getting out there and meeting you all. When i'm not working, I enjoy spending time with my family cooking (and eating!) yummy food and exploring the beautiful Albury-Wodonga region.

EASTER 2022

It was wonderful to see community attend our 2022 Easter Egg Hunt and BBQ!

It was our first big event since COVID hit and restrictions were in place.



Djakamirr film

with the KMS team

MAC AND AWAHS ARRANGED FOR,
DJAKAMIRR - CARETAKER OF PREGNANCY
AND BIRTH TO BE SHOWN AT THE ALBURY
REGENT CINEMA. INVITING COMMUNITY
AND OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS TO
ATTEND.

ON THE NEXT PAGE YOU WILL SEE SOME OF
THE FEEDBACK WE RECEIVED.



Did you learn anything from the film/event today?

- We must listen and hear what Aboriginal women are saying about birth and we must advocate for support during their labour and delivery.
- The importance of birthing on country and preserving traditional ways of life and culture passing those to future generations.
- The importance of birthing on country. The importance of the Women's business knowledge. That there are ways we can help people to feel culturally safe by listening deeply to what they need.
- The alarming rate of premature births in remote community. Also that the government isn't funding birthing facilities in remote communities.
- About the role and importance of a Djakamirr. Also wasn't aware that women have to travel to birth in Arnhem land.

What part of the film/event did you find most powerful?

- Honoring the elder who has been a carer of women her whole life.
- All of it! it was very powerful.
- The connection made between the women.
- Empowerment of the Yolngu women.
- Yolngu womens stories.

How could we capture our traditional birthing ways for you, that would assist you to adapt ways to deliver your service?

- Community forum and meeting hopefully resulting in an agreed way of running it here. Assistance and participation from community members in delivering the facility and the program.
- By working side by side to empower Aboriginal women to speak up if they don't know what is happening in the mainstream services, that they have choices.
- I would be interested in local knowledge.
- Learns ways to bring birthing on culture to the hospital.





KOORI MATERNITY SERVICES

Wodonga and surrounding Hume and Indigo Region

ROLE OF THE KOORI MATERNITY SUPPORT WORKER

The role of the Koori Maternity Support Worker is to provide culturally appropriate Maternity care to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women whom are carrying Indigenous babies, during their pregnancy, after birth up until 6 weeks' old



SERVICES

- In home antenatal classes
- Doctors appointments
- Specialist appointments
- Referral and support to other agencies
- Advocacy
- Providing Parenting information
- Postnatal follow up
- Linkages to Maternal and Child Health Services
- Linkages to play groups

Teala Carey

Koori Maternity Support Worker

T: 0448 861 571

E: teala.carey@mungabareena.org.au



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Program updates

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

Recently I have been partnering with Nolan house and visiting the staff and clients there quite regularly, building strong connections with both staff and clients

Petra - Alcohol and other Drugs Support Worker

FAMILY VIOLENCE

The Family Violence program aims to provide support for women, children and men with addressing the range of issues related to family violence. These services provide support to maintain the safety of you and your family in your own home.

The program aims to empower Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community to take steps to live free from violence. This service provides support through case management and planning that is focused on your strengths and aspirations and tailored to suit the needs of yourself and your family.

Sharyn - Family Violence Support Worker

PLANNED ACTIVITY GROUP



PAG has had an interesting time, slowly making a come back after COVID which forced closure onto our group for a long period of time. Over the past couple of months we have spent time just gathering together in some local spots, completing the sculpture walk and picnics. As well as meeting in MAC's Community space doing crafts, making tucker and yarning the day away.



If you're 50+, Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, we'd be delighted for you to join us! Spread the word and give us a call on (02) 6024 7599 to join!

Koori First Steps

update



We have introduced a new program into our pre school called, THE DEADLY HELPER! Each session one child has their turn to assist our staff to complete different duties such as, leading the morning acknowledgement to country. The children wear a badge for the day and receive a certificate of appreciation at the end of the day - this allows children to build the confidence and self esteem to stand in front of others and speak in group settings.

We have also put a huge emphasis on kindness at Koori First Steps - with staff noting acts of kindness and giving praise to the children at mat time. When identified, children will place a gem into our 'Kindness Jar' (staff ensuring all children have their turn). When our jar is full we will then decide on a suitable celebration together





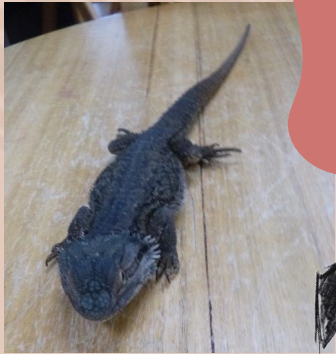
**Check out Isabelle's
DEADLY dress!**



**The children have
enjoyed making
patterns in the sand**



**We had a visit from
Sandy's pet bearded
dragon, Phil.
The children loved to learn
about what Phil eats**



**Rachael spoke about her
time with Wally Wombat
and answered some
questions from the others**



**We have been
learning about the
Torres Strait Islander
flag**



We shared stories about one of the dreamtime stories, Rainbow Serpent. Isabelle and Charlie brought in a book to share with all the children.



Here the children are meeting Sandy's pet lamb, Penny who at the time was only 2 days old!!



MAC PLAYGROUP

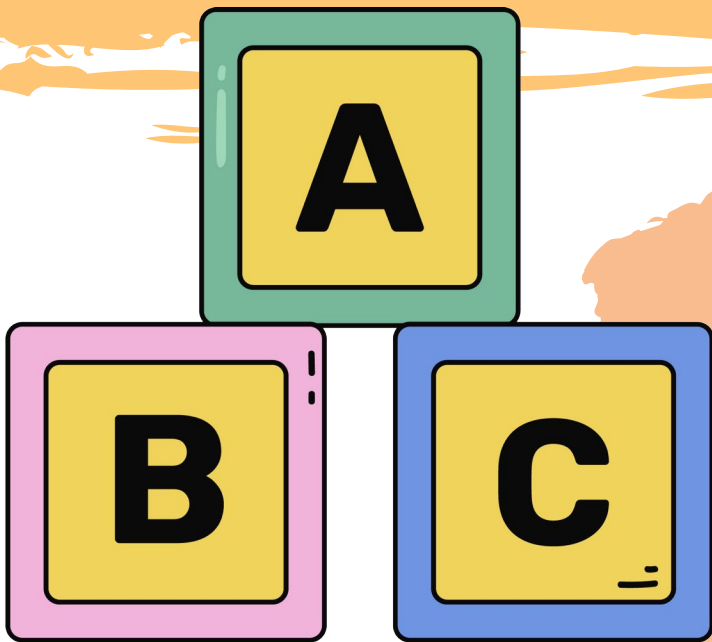
COMMENCING

Beginning of Term 3

Weekly, Friday's (during school terms)
10am - 12pm

Come along for some fun activities and meet other families in a relaxed environment!

Morning tea provided



**If you would like to
join our playgroup
please phone Harley
on (02) 6024 7599**

Community Information

Friday 29th of July MAC will be joining the West Wodonga Ambulance Branch to plant some trees in recognition of National Tree Day (31st July 2022).

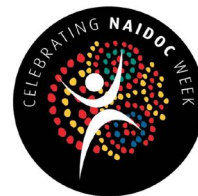
If your children are interested in joining please RSVP to Harley on
(02) 6024 7599

Children participating will receive a goodie bag with gloves and boots!

Limited places available



NAIDOC AT MAC 2022



**GET UP!
STAND UP!
SHOW UP!**
3-10 JULY 2022



*Join us for
Afternoon Tea!*

Mungabareena Aboriginal Corporation
would like to invite you for the
NAIDOC afternoon tea celebration
Tuesday 5th of July
2:00pm - 3:30pm
53 Ryley Street Wangaratta
Victoria

*Tea, coffee and cakes supplied
Lucky door prizes*

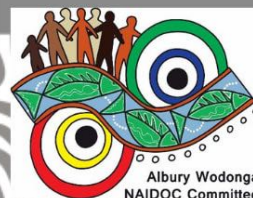


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ALBURY-WODONGA NAIDOC CALENDAR OF EVENTS JULY 3 - JULY 10, 2022



Albury Wodonga
NAIDOC Committee



MONDAY JULY 4

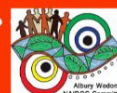
OFFICIAL FLAG RAISING | 10AM

WODONGA COUNCIL BUILDING BY THE FLAGPOLES, HOVELL ST, WODONGA

SATURDAY JULY 9

NAIDOC CELEBRATION EVENT - FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

GATEWAY LAKES, LINCOLN CAUSEWAY



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country and pay our respect to Elders past, present and future.

SUNDAY 3RD JULY | 11AM

Mob-Only Memorial Service at Glenmorus Cemetery
Followed by Damper & Johnny Cakes at Noreuil Wood Fire Oven.

Contact: Darren Wighton - 0439 802 215
NO COST - BYO Food to be cooked

MONDAY 4TH JULY | 1PM - 3PM

Latrobe University NAIDOC Lunch

LaTrobe University Building 6 Lecture Theatre

Contact: Emily Edwards
emily.edwards@latrobe.edu.au

To include lunch, cultural activities, traditional Aboriginal dance.

TUES 5TH JULY | 10:30AM

O&M Indigenous Round Launch
Morning Tea provided

Canvas Eatery at MAMA, QEII Square, Albury

Contact: Kane 0499526979

WED 6TH JULY | 10:30AM

MADEC NAIDOC Morning Tea

539-541 Kiewa St, Albury, 2640

Contact: Andrea O'Halloran
NO COST

WED 6TH JULY | 10AM-12PM

FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITY NETBALL

CLINIC ALBURY | 8-16yrs

Lauren Jackson Sports Centre

Contact: Chaye to register- 0421 678 183
NO COST

WED 6TH JULY | 11AM

"Wash My Soul in the River's Flow"

starring Archie Roach & Ruby Hunter

Albury Entertainment Centre

525 Swift St, Albury NSW 2640

Contact: Khesan - 0457167968
NO COST

WED 6TH JULY | 7PM

Black Border Performance

"Just Sugar-Coat It"

HotHouse Theatre, Gateway Village, 3690

Contact: Tiff Ward on 0481173241 for tickets \$10pp

THURSDAY 7TH JULY | 11AM - 2PM

Westside NAIDOC Family Fun Day

****FREE EVENT****

Westside Community Centre -

16 Mulga Place West Albury

Contact person: Stacey or Tracey
Community cook up, face painting (for the young and old), music, loads of activities (painting, carving, weaving)

FRIDAY 8TH JULY | 10AM-12PM

FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITY

NETBALL CLINIC WODONGA | 8-16yrs

Wodonga Sports & Leisure Centre

Contact: Chaye to register - 0421 678 183

NO COST

FRIDAY 8TH JULY | 10:30AM

AWAHS & WODONGA TAFE

Mubal and Bali Photography Exhibition

& Koori Hairdressing Showcase

****FREE EVENT****

Eddie Kneebone Gallery, Wodonga TAFE
87 McKoy St, West Wodonga VIC 3690

Lunch provided

Contact: Britt (AWAHS) or Johnny (TAFE)

FRIDAY 8TH JULY | 6 - 10PM

AWAHS BRINGING THEM HOME GROUP

HOSTING | KOORIOKE

Mirambeena Community Centre

19 Martha Mews, Lavington NSW 2641

Contact person: John - 0400 386 401

Food & drinks provided

Gold coin donation

SAT 9TH JULY | 10AM-11:30AM

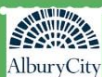
Official Opening of Gateway Island

Cultural Sculpture Walk - Leads into

NAIDOC Main Event 11:30am-4pm

Gateway Lakes, Lincoln Causeway

Guided or Self-guided tours Cultural activities, basket weaving, music and dance, conservation talks, native food offerings.



SUNDAY JULY 10

OFFICIAL FLAG LOWERING | CLOSING CEREMONY

QEII SQUARE ALBURY | 10AM