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NAIDOC SHIRT COMPETITION WINNER - KYLIE CHAMPION

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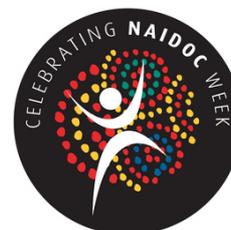
MADALAH proudly supports NAIDOC Week and the 2022 theme, Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!



Here at MADALAH we empower our students to be active members in our communities, having the voice and skills to make the change for future generations! Each year we hold a NAIDOC Shirt Competition to provide our scholars with the opportunity to create our next NAIDOC Shirt and share their artwork proudly!

Congratulations to our 2022 NAIDOC Shirt Competition winner Kylie Champion, a year 11 student from Iona Presentation College! We attended Iona to announce the winner and present Kylie with her t-shirt. All of the MADALAH girls were very excited for Kylie!

Design meaning: "It is about how my tribe came to be the Kallamia Gubrin tribe and how it was two tribes that came together to form one." This meaning resonated with the team at MADALAH as our students come from all over WA and we bring them together to create one big family, all traveling the same path.



NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

PRENDIVILLE CATHOLIC COLLEGE & ST BRIGID'S COLLEGE

At the beginning of July, MADALAH staff celebrated NAIDOC with our Prendiville Catholic College scholars!

To kick start NAIDOC week for the college, Sandra Harben, a Whadjuk/Baladong Noongar Elder completed a beautiful and engaging Welcome to Country complemented with a smoking ceremony. All students took part in the ceremony, giving them the opportunity to understand the importance and significance of a smoking ceremony as an opening for NAIDOC Week. Our MADALAH students were highly engaged and involved, assisting ngaged and involved, assisting their on-site mentor Levi with the creation and completion of the sand mural and most importantly, showcasing their culture to the rest of the school community.

After the opening event, MADALAH staff and students came together around the 'yarning circle' where they went on to each complete an Individual Leadership Plan (ILP for short). Perth was blessed with sunshine and warm weather on this day, so we took full advantage of that.

We were so happy to be involved and witness the start of Prendiville's NAIDOC Week celebrations and always enjoy the opportunity to catch up with our amazing scholars!



MADALAH staff joined St Brigid's College for their NAIDOC Week assembly.

On arrival, staff, students and guests were invited to a smoking ceremony conducted by Elder James Kearing where they all walked through a gentle smoke before entering the gymnasium. This was followed by a beautiful Welcome to Country where James explained that when we walk through the smoke we leave all the bad energy and spirits outside.

The celebrations continued with guests from Binar, including MADALAH

MADALAH scholar Malachi Desmond. Together they performed 4 songs, played the Didge and danced amazingly. They also interacted with the students from all year levels, asking the crowd engaging questions!

St Brigid's also invited additional guest speakers, including MADALAH Student & Families Support Officer Tiarna Wynne, who is also MADALAH alumni and Miss NAIDOC 2021. Tiarna spoke about her experience at the college and the Miss NAIDOC Program. It was fantastic to hear each of the guest speakers stories, how they are tied to country and what the 2022 NAIDOC Week Theme of "Get up, Stand up, show up!" means to them.

We were also super proud of our soon-to-be graduates for introducing each guest speaker to the stage!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Farrell & Nannup Sisters

Throughout the month we continued our NAIDOC celebrations and congratulated Zailee Farrell, Shilia Farrell, Georgia Nannup and Brooklyn Nannup for competing at the NAIDOC Netball Carnival on Wednesday 6th July!

Sisters, Zailee and Shilia are supported to attend Perth College and sisters, Georgia and Brooklyn are current tertiary scholars. They have all played at the same netball club for the past 3 years and this year Georgia is coaching Shilia's team every Saturday! At the NAIDOC carnival, Zailee's team finished 3rd in the Under 16s division and Shilia, Georgia and Brooklyn's teams finished off with runner-up medals!

It is amazing to see our secondary and tertiary students coming together and supporting each other outside of MADALAH!



Khyan Townsend

MADALAH Scholar Khyan Townsend recently shared his talents around a yarning circle at one of our Nagle Catholic College mentoring sessions and mentioned that he played football. Khyan spoke in depth about his love for football and how he was in the Development Squad for East Fremantle. Khyan has demonstrated his commitment and dedication to football through his travels between Geraldton and Perth to participate in training sessions. Through this dedication, he has become a consistent and hard-working player who hopes to have a future career in football!

In addition to this, Khyan was awarded the Rio Tinto Indigenous Youth Football Scholarship! This scholarship was launched this year to acknowledge, reward and provide further leadership and development opportunities for emerging Indigenous leaders through Football. This is an amazing achievement!

MADALAH supports and encourages Khyan in his football journey and is super proud of his dedication to the sport and the pride he is demonstrating.



ROY HILL PARTNERSHIP LAUNCH WITH MADALAH

MADALAH and the Roy Hill Community Foundation have formed a new partnership to provide education and career development opportunities to Pilbara Aboriginal students. We are jointly delivering a bespoke wraparound program to support the students. This new partnership began in 2022 with the first 10 Hanrine Futures Scholarships awarded to three primary students, six secondary students and one tertiary student.

A key differentiator of the Hanrine Futures Program is the combination of education/mentoring support and work experience/employment opportunities. MADALAH staff will mentor and support students based on individual education and resource plans, track their success and organise extra-curricular learning opportunities. The Foundation partner companies have committed to provide students and graduates with the opportunity for internships, work experience and employment at the completion of their studies.

We came together at Guildford Grammar School to celebrate the new partnership last week. It was a wonderful event with guests welcomed by Elder Robyn Collard, followed by an introduction by the Chair of the Roy Hill Community Foundation Board, Barry Fitzgerald and a thank you by MADALAH Board Chair, Jeanice Krakouer. We would also like to thank Tasharni Coppin for being MC and Brian Nokes for his heartfelt speech on behalf of the 10 Hanrine students. Throughout the event, guests enjoyed canapes, kangaroo stew and damper whilst listening to music performed live by South Summit. Three band members are MADALAH Alumni and lead singer Isaiah Reuben is also currently supported by the Foundation through their WAAPA scholarship. We would also like to acknowledge the Guildford dancers for treating us all to a traditional Six-Seasons dance.

On behalf of MADALAH and the Foundation we would like to thank Guildford Grammar School for hosting the evening. It is an exciting time for the Hanrine Futures students and we look forward to watching each of them grow and embrace every opportunity made available to them!

MADALAH offers secondary and tertiary scholarships to 23 partner schools in WA but does not offer primary school scholarships. When further Hanrine Futures Scholarships are available the Prescribed Body Corporate of Native Title Groups will be contacted by the Roy Hill Community Foundation.

Please check our blog to see more photos!

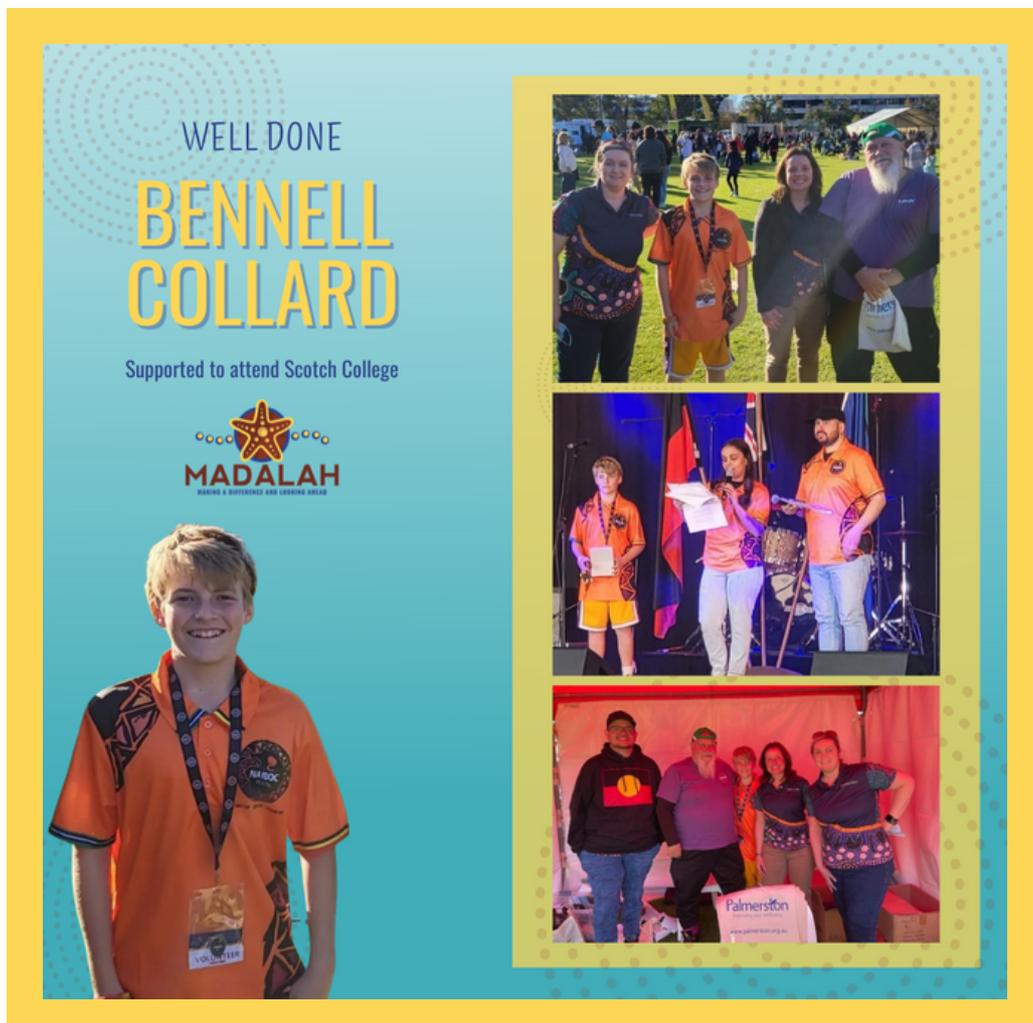


STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

BENNELL COLLARD

We would like to give a special shout out to MADALAH scholar Bennell Collard who is supported to attend Scotch College. Bennell recently volunteered his time at the Perth NAIDOC opening ceremony!

Bennell started early and showed true commitment by staying the entire day, particularly in helping out with the running of one of the stalls. We are super proud of Bennell for giving back to his community during NAIDOC Week and we cannot wait to see him continue to grow into a strong leader!



EDUCATION & WELL-BEING DAY

WESLEY COLLEGE

On Monday July 25th, MADALAH staff spent the morning at Gloucester Park facilitating another wonderful Education & Well-being Day for our Wesley College scholars!

The first session of the day was presented by Des Headland and Janelle Campbell-Cooke. Des, an Indigenous ex-AFL player who is seen as a role model to many of the boys helped provide a comfortable space for the boys to speak about and engage in meaningful conversations on social and emotional well-being. Our career pathway session followed on from this session where MADALAH staff provided students with information on our Year 13 Program and what we can do to assist them post-secondary school.

After lunch, the boys headed out into the middle of the racetrack to participate in a game of Buroinjin, which was their favourite part of the day!



TERTIARY NETWORKING EVENT & MENTOR PD

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On Monday July 25th, MADALAH were also excited to host a networking afternoon for our tertiary scholars, followed by a professional development session for our mentors, many of whom are also in receipt of a tertiary scholarship!

It was amazing to catch up with each of our tertiary scholars and yarn about their first semester and how we could support them further with their well-being and university studies. The afternoon consisted of get-to-know-you activities and a collaborative session presented by Janelle Campbell-Cook and MADALAH staff about social and emotional well-being, strategies for balancing study commitments, how to set goals, and engaging in a healthy lifestyle. The session ended with networking over afternoon tea, which provided our tertiary scholars with an opportunity to further interact and establish meaningful connections and relationships that they can rely on for the remainder of their tertiary journey.

The mentor PD was a 2-hour intensive workshop that explored the importance of MADALAH's purpose, our code of conduct, the creation of session content, mentoring outcomes and reflection.

MADALAH would like to thank all who attended and Janelle Campbell-Cook for facilitating the sessions, it was a fantastic turnout and we cannot wait to host the next one!



NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

BUNBURY CATHOLIC COLLEGE & ST MARY'S ANGLICAN

MADALAH CEO and Student & Families Support team members attended Bunbury Catholic College's NAIDOC Assembly.

MADALAH ambassador Syd Jackson shared stories about his incredible life and the opportunities he gained through his sporting career and was named an honouree for the 2021 Sir Doug Nicholls AFL Round.

South Summit also performed an hour-long concert and featured alumni Nehemiah Reuben, Isaiah Reuben and Josh Trindall. Their performance was amazing for all!

At the end of the assembly Aboriginal Liaison Officer Rosie Frain, who has recently been welcomed to the MADALAH team and to the College, and a team of helpers cooked up a delicious kangaroo stew for a queue of eager tasters in the cafeteria at lunchtime!



Photo credit: Bunbury Catholic College



MADALAH had the pleasure of attending St Mary's NAIDOC Assembly on July 31st. The celebration started with a Welcome to Country from Noongar Elder Aunty Viv Hansen and a traditional smoking ceremony conducted by Noongar Elder Uncle Mort Hansen.



Photo credit: St Mary's Anglican Girls' School

A feature of the assembly was seeing the entire school community come together around the sand mural that the Aboriginal students at the school had worked tirelessly to complete the day before. The mural conveys a powerful message of unity, with several rivers leading people from different corners of the country to a central hand displaying the Aboriginal Flag, which unites them all.

A special shout out to MADALAH scholars Emily Collard and Brooklyn Cowdrey for joining the Binar Dance Troupe (including scholar Malachi Desmond) for a moving performance and congratulations to all MADALAH scholars who proudly spoke in front of their peers.

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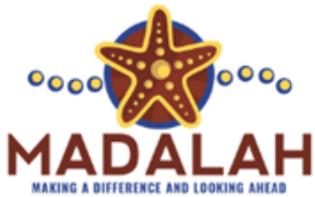
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