



St Gregory's Primary School

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RE: Queanbeyan Reconciliation Walk; Tuesday May 29th

Dear Parents and Carers of 5 Blue,

St Gregory's have been invited by Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council to participate in the **Queanbeyan Reconciliation Walk**. It will take place on Tuesday 29th May beginning on Trinculo Place at Ray Morton Park at 10:15 am. We will walk with Community Elders, Councillors and various other schools along Monaro St to Queanbeyan Park, finishing at the Reconciliation Garden on the corner of Campbell and Lowe Streets. More than 150 St Gregory's students will be attending. Classes attending are 5 Blue, 5 Red, 4 Red, 4 Gold, 3 White, 3 Blue as well as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island students in Kinder to Year 2 and our school captains.

There will be an official ceremony at the Reconciliation Garden and performances by various members of the community. Afterwards, there will be a BBQ provided by Queanbeyan-Palerang Council for each student. Students will then participate in a number of cultural activities before being walked back to school. Family members are most welcome to join us on the walk.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island students in years 3-6, will be walking with their classroom teachers and class to participate in the event. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island students in Years Kinder to Year 2 will be supervised by Val Sheahan/Lorena Nesa and will walk with their siblings. Our Year 6 captains will also be joining us to carry our banner. All students are to wear full winter school uniform on the day including a hat and bring along a water bottle.

PLEASE NOTE; All Lowe Street Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island students (Kinder and Year 1) to be dropped at MacQuoid Street on the morning of Tuesday May 29th. Val Sheahan will be available for morning drop off at the front office from 8:30am. All Kinder and Year 1 students will then be walked back to Lowe Street after the event finishes.

Please complete the permission slip below and return to class teacher ASAP.

Kind regards,

Valerie Sheahan/Lorena Nesa
Contact Teachers for Aboriginal Education

Claire Frazer
Principal

PUPIL'S STATEMENT:

I am willing to obey the school rules whilst attending this excursion and will participate and cooperate in the official happenings as is expected of me. Signature of Pupil _____ Date / /

As Parent/Guardian of _____ (Please print student Christian & Surname)

I _____ (Please print parent/guardian name) give my consent for him/her to participate in the Queanbeyan Reconciliation Walk, and agree to delegate my authority to the staff and instructors involved. Such teachers and instructors may take the appropriate disciplinary action they deem necessary to ensure the safety, well-being and successful conduct of the students as a group, or individually, in the above-mentioned activity. I also authorise the teachers and instructors to obtain medical assistance which they deem necessary should an accident occur, and agree to pay all medical expenses incurred on behalf of the above student. I further authorise qualified practitioners to administer anaesthetic if such an eventuality arises.

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____