

Willetton's Got Talent

Indonesian Independence Day

Languages - Indonesian

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This year, Indonesia celebrated its 75th Independence Day on the 17th of August. It is one of the most important days in the country.

At Willetton PS, we commemorated "Hari Kemerdekaan" (Independence Day) by learning about Indonesia's journey to independence and about the activities held throughout the country to celebrate the day.



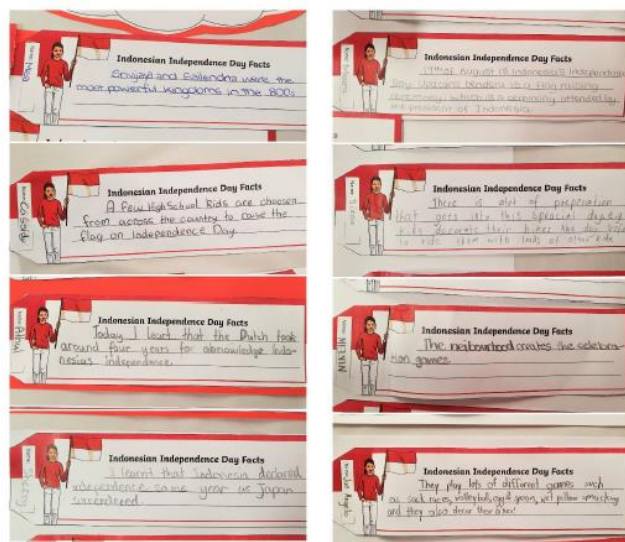
Students in Year 3 & 4 made hearts in the colours of the Indonesian flag - red and white. They wrote about how Indonesian people celebrate their nation's history and what "17 Agustus" looked like in schools and communities.

Year 5 students discussed a popular game played in villages and neighbourhoods called Panjat Pinang, or climb the pinang palm tree competition. Panjat Pinang is a messy but rewarding race that requires strength, skill and teamwork.

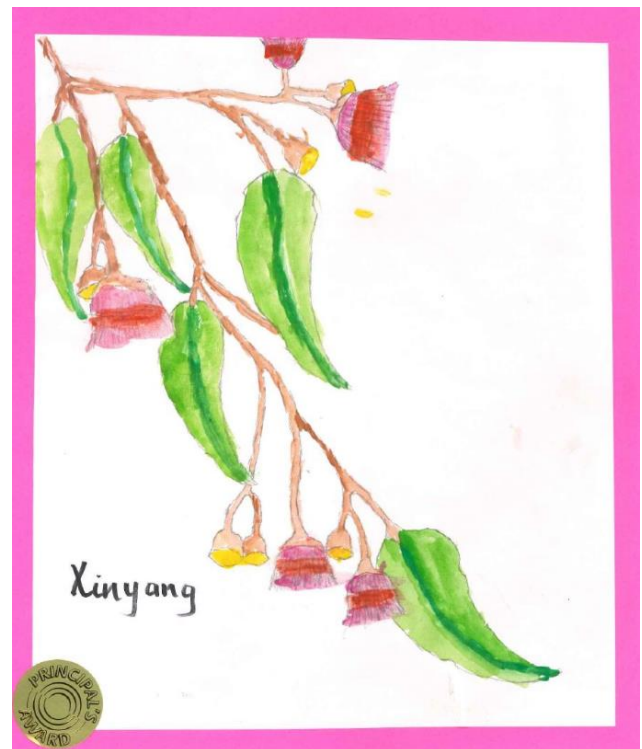
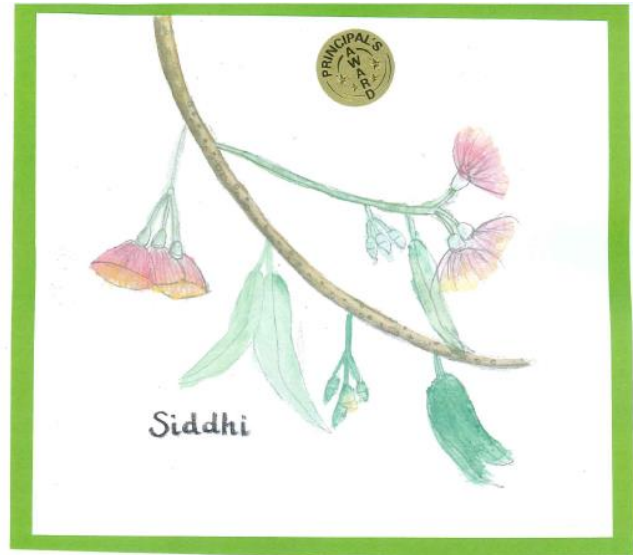


Year 6 students learnt about the ancient Buddhist, Hindu and Islamic empires which ruled the Indonesian archipelago in the 9th century before Europeans - first the Portuguese, then the Dutch - took over, starting with the spice trade in the 16th century and eventually through colonisation. The struggle to gain freedom unified

Indonesians across the archipelago and led to the nation's leaders declaring independence on the 17th of August 1945. Students created a display of what they learnt about Indonesia's history and what they knew about the celebrations.



Area 12



WILLETTON'S WIDE WORLD OF SPORT

New in 2020

Congratulations to all students that participated in the Willetton Primary School Inter-School Cross Country, SSWA Basketball competition and Multicultural Netball Carnival. Every student showed the Willetton Way of our four values. Everyone is very proud of your efforts! There are lots of photos below.

I am sure everyone is tired from all their hard work through Physical Education. Athletics Carnival is in week 2, Term 4 so make sure you are trying your hardest at Whole School Sport.

Mr Gotti

Messages

It is with great pride that I write this on behalf of all who attended the multicultural netball event held on Friday 28th August.

The conduct, sportsmanship, camaraderie, and resilience shown by all the participants was beyond reproach, a comment made by opposing teams and umpires.

Win or lose the day was all about experiencing a new sport, as well as representing the school.

Many of the students had never played netball before but with the expertise of Mrs Becker had been moulded into dynamos on court who tried hard in all their games.

Great job to all and huge thanks to the students for showing up for training early mornings and lunchtimes.

Mrs Martin

Last Friday 28th August Netball WA hosted the Multicultural Carnival and we had 5 teams representing Willetton Primary School. The carnival is a celebration of WA's cultural diversity and requires 5 of the 7 players on court to have at least one parent born overseas. The world was well represented on this day.

Our first team won the Yr 5 & 6 competition with the other teams also finishing well. The teamwork and sportsmanship shown by all our teams was excellent.

We all had the opportunity to participate in before school training on Monday and Wednesday's before school with Mrs Becker, this helped those who don't play netball improve all parts of their netball game.

We would like to thank Mrs Garside, Miss Currie, Mrs Jones, Mrs Martin and Mrs Hustwick for their great coaching and support at the carnival.

Overall we think our Willetton Teams did their best and had a great day participating.

Maheeka and Shufei

Before School Fitness - Term 3 2020

Week 7	Mr Gotti	Athletics	Skills - Volleyball	Skills - Football	Skills - Soccer	No Before School Fitness
Week 8	Mr Gotti	Athletics	Skills - Volleyball	Skills - Football	Skills - Soccer	No Before School Fitness
Week 9	Mr Gotti	No Before School Fitness	No Before School Fitness	No Before School Fitness	No Before School Fitness	No Before School Fitness
Week 10	Mr Gotti	Athletics	Skills - Volleyball	No Before School Fitness	No Before School Fitness	No Before School Fitness

Before School Fitness commences at 7:55am and will finish at 8:30am.

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2020 NAIDOC & Multicultural ball set to debut

A message from the Multicultural carnival.

Celebrating multiculturalism and acknowledging Australia's first people will be front of mind today as hundreds of young netballers take to the court for the 2020 Multicultural Carnival.

Thanks to Netball WA's continued partnership with the Insurance Commission of Western Australia, promoting the Belt Up message, this year the carnival will feature a bespoke ball designed by Narrogin local and Shooting Stars participant, Chante Kickett.

The ball represents the rainbow serpent, Wagyl, from the dreamtime.

The NAIDOC ball is set to debut today and will also feature in the 2020 NAIDOC Netball Carnival due to run later in the year.

Now in its seventh year, the partnership sees the Belt Up road safety message delivered to more than 240,000 netballers every year throughout Western Australia. As one of the largest sports in the state, netball provides a strong platform to communicate the importance of belting up in the car.

Netball WA General Manager of Community Netball, Liz Booth said the carnival is a highlight on the Netball WA calendar.

"Western Australia is a very diverse community and we're extremely proud to host an event that celebrates this in a fun and encouraging environment," said Booth.

"This carnival is about different cultures coming together, as it engages players from a wide variety of ethnicities. Incorporating the 2020 NAIDOC ball seemed like the perfect way to not only celebrate our State's multiculturalism, but also acknowledge our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders."

Commission Secretary, Kane Blackman said the Insurance Commission is pleased to place the Belt Up message in the hands of hundreds of netball players.

"The Insurance Commission is pleased to partner with Netball WA to once again deliver the Belt Up NAIDOC ball."

"The Insurance Commission strives to raise awareness of the Belt Up road safety message, and this provides a unique opportunity to engage directly with the netball and Indigenous communities to promote this message".

"This is an important message to share, as not wearing a seat belt can significantly increase the severity of injuries sustained in a car crash."

"We know these netballs will be used with pride, and we hope each of the teams will enjoy taking the message back to their respective communities."

"The Insurance Commission would like to congratulate Chante on her winning ball design."

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SSWA Willetton Basketball Tournament

Willetton Primary School students had an amazing opportunity to participate at the first SSWA tournament, since the restrictions from COVID-19 have eased. The competition highlighted the phenomenal talents of our students and brought out the best in team camaraderie and sportsmanship.

Year 3/4 Boys and Girls Mrs Elsbury - Girls Basketball Coach

On Tuesday 18th August, the Year 3/4 basketball teams played a round-robin carnival at Willetton Basketball Stadium. The players were put into teams of 4 (2 boys and 2 girls) and participated in a set-fixture competition. I was very impressed with their efforts, in particular, their teamwork and sportsmanship over the entire day. The Orange Team took out the WPS title, but all of the players had fun and ran hard. It was a pleasure coaching them all, and I look forward to them being able to play against some other schools in the future.



Willetton Take the Title

By Samuel Coulson and Xavier Endersby

The Willetton Primary Year 5/6 boys basketball team held on for a thrilling 1 point victory in the Grand Final of the School Slam Series event held at the new Willetton Basketball Stadium.

Earlier in the day, Willetton started their campaign with a strong performance against their eventual Grand Final opponent Harrisdale, winning the match 22-11. The team was excited to finally play a game after weeks of intensive training with coach Mr Close and assistant Mr Sessoyeff.

As the tournament progressed, Willetton continued its dominance using superior teamwork, exceptional passing skill, silky shooting and terrific defence to comfortably defeat Bannister Creek Primary and the Australian Islamic School.

At the end of the qualifying rounds, Willetton remained undefeated through 5 games, and went into the Grand Final as favourites.

Willetton got off to a red hot start in the Championship game, quickly getting out to a 6-point lead. Their opponent, Harrisdale, after some initial nerves, settled down and started to trade baskets with Willetton. After the half time break, Willetton stepped it up and the lead grew out to 10 points. However, the game wasn't over. Harrisdale started a furious comeback in the final minutes. With a minute to play Willetton was up by 6. Then a Harrisdale jump shot followed by a huge three pointer cut the lead to 1. In the end, Willetton held on for an exciting 20-19 victory.

With the win, the Year 5/6 boys team has now qualified for the Champions Cup tournament to be held later in the year at Bendat Basketball Centre. The team has already recommenced training before school to give themselves the best chance of bringing the cup to Willetton!

Congratulations to Dermott, Eli, Justin, Jy, Lachlan, Michael, Mitchell, Rehan, Riley, Samuel and Xavier on a job well done, and thank you to Mr Close and Mr Sessoyeff for their continued support of basketball at Willetton Primary School. Finally, a big shout out to the fabulous supporters who cheered us on throughout the day!



Year 5/6 Girls Team Triumphant in First Competition of the Year

By Jenna Bass and Jaide Friday

Game 1: Harrisdale Primary School

For our first game, we played exceptionally well in both defence and offence, scoring a lot of points. We were very supportive on the bench, every teammate cheered, which showed what a great team we were. We loved seeing so many smiling faces when we scored goals, stole the ball from the opposition, gave lots of assists or made strong rebounds. When the game was close to finishing we were pretty exhausted, and this meant we had to be more court aware about our game play. We managed to keep on scoring and stealing the ball from the opposition. Overall, it was a great game to begin our tournament.

Final Score: 22 - 0

Game 2: Australian Islamic School

In this game we were quite tired, seeing that we worked really hard in the first game. This did let us down slightly, but luckily we still had that boost of energy to keep going and, as the game progressed, managed to play very well. What won this game was our extremely aggressive defence. We went for the ball so many times and successfully got the ball most of the time. Our offence was pretty close to being on top of the charts as well, which we were very happy with. The opposition couldn't keep up in defence, so we got lots of open layups. This helped to maximise our percentage and stay on top of the leader board, leading up to our next game. What we predicted would be the hardest.

Final Score: 29 - 2

Game 3: Bannister Creek Primary School

As we predicted, this was our toughest game of all. Luckily we still kept our hopes up and played our hearts out. As the game advanced we realised that Bannister Creek were a very quick team. To stop that we stayed in the back half of the court and defended from there. This helped us to make more steals and prevent them from getting to the basket and scoring. Our strategy eventually worked, and we managed to keep scoring goals to stay ahead of their score. In the end, we won the game by 12. We felt really proud of our efforts.

Final Score: 24 - 12

Game 4: Australian Islamic School (Semi Final)

It came time to play our semi-final, we were first on the ladder, which meant we versed fourth team, Australian Islamic School. In this game we played pretty well, but not as well as the first time we played them. Luckily we still managed to score quite a lot, move the ball well and stop the opposition from getting anywhere near the basket. Although, we did have a few turnovers, we finished off quite strongly and confident leading up to the Grand Final. When the game eventually finished we had won by a lot, not as much as last time, and we were proud of our efforts.

Final Score: 24 - 2

Game 5: Harrisdale Primary School (Grand Final)

We were surprised that our opponent for the Grand Final turned out to be Harrisdale. Their score against Bannister Creek in their semi-final was 10 – 6, so very close and intense. In this game we started off slightly asleep, but built on our game when the second half came around. We scored more points and took strong rebounds. Our shots were perfect as well, when we attempted them from outside of the keyway and close to the three-point line. This won the extremely intense game, and we were so proud of ourselves when our school was called out as winners of the tournament. We loved seeing every one of our teammates with smiling faces, when we were each awarded a wrist band reading SSWA Champion. This was a great experience for us all.

Final Score: 16 - 4

Girls Team Captains' Thoughts:

As this was our first tournament of the year representing our school as team captains, we felt really proud to be chosen to lead our teammates and really important when we won for the first time. We have loved playing and learning the strengths and characteristics of our group, not only in basketball also in everyday life. It was such a lovely experience playing with the girls, as they were all lovely, very nice and supportive to us during the tournament. We are so happy with our efforts and so proud for helping the girls make it all the way to the Grand Final and winning. We couldn't be happier with the result. A special thanks to Mr Gotti for coaching us, your support and guidance helped us achieve success.

