

Year 6/7 Cultural Studies

As part of the Year 6/7 Cultural Studies the class have been working on researching, designing and producing an Indigenous Garden at school. This garden will be constructed over near the Upper Primary playground. This new space will provide an area within our school that has a cultural significance for our Aboriginal students. This area will also provide a learning and cultural experience for other students within our school and wider community to better educate around Indigenous culture, beliefs and respect.

This garden area will be used regularly as a meeting space for students, staff and community members and will provide a peaceful and beautified area that compliments the school yard.

This project is being managed by Bronson Facey, Sam Priddle, Beau Flanagan and Tyler Hill. These students have been working closely with Uncle Ken who is assisting them with the design and layout of the garden. The students have completed the design and are currently working on constructing a model of the garden to share with the rest of the class. The year 6/7 class will be responsible for the planting of this area. Their task is to research the plants that would be suitable for this space and provide detailed information on the specific plant.

The students have visited both Burrendies and Pangula Mannamurna to look at the garden spaces that these businesses have developed. From visiting these places the students were able to see what plants were used, the layout and shape of the garden, what materials were used for construction and Uncle Ken was also able to share with them a cultural insight into the significance that these gardens hold for the Aboriginal community.

This garden will be in its construction made out of locally sourced materials natural to our surroundings and cultural connections. The plantings will be that of locally grown and sourced and will again have a cultural connection to the Boandik people and natural to our environment. This project will carry over into 2019 with the hope of receiving some funding to assist with the construction.

We would like to thank Uncle Ken for being our host and Burrendies and Pangula Mannamurna for allowing us to visit their garden spaces.

Watch this space for future development of this garden.





Courage Excellence Respect

Belinda Tilley – Christian Pastoral Support Worker

Belinda Tilley is our Allendale East Area School Pastoral Care Worker. Something that is new to all of us is that Belinda is the founder of a new educational personal growth framework called “I-Myself”. This framework sustains and builds self-equity in young people.

Having first been a finalist in the Flinders New Venture Institute eNVies in June, last Friday 2nd November Belinda’s new business I-Myself Pty Ltd was presented as a nominee in the prestigious Flinders University Rural Health SA Regional Achievement Award, by The Hon David Pisoni MP, Minister for Industry and Skills at the 2018 South Australian Community Achievement Awards Presentation Gala held at the Hilton Adelaide.

The Awards were hosted by Jessica Adamson, Channel 7 Weekend News Presenter. 500 guests gathered from across the State to celebrate South Australia’s high achievers and community contributors.

Belinda’s “I-myself” is an innovative program assisting individuals to build their self-confidence and sense of purpose. This program delivers face-to-face workshops and ultimately on a multi-platform app, “I-myself” empowers young people to create a better future.

“I-Myself” was also nominated and listed as a finalist in the Innovation category of the NAB Mount Gambier of Commerce Outstanding Business Awards 2018 presented recently at the Barn.

Allendale’s young people are benefiting from the support and work that Belinda continues to provide at our school.

