Reconciliation in action at Palmyra





Kangaroo skins and chalk artwork were some of the activities students at Palmyra Primary School carried out to recognise National Sorry Day in May.

The school has marked the day with activities for the past six years as part of its Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), which also includes commemorations for Reconciliation Week and NAIDOC Week.



Palmyra PS RAP chair Jade Elvin said each year students decorated a hand and added it to the Aboriginal flag, made out of coloured hands, planted on the school oval.

"I have kept every hand for the last six years. My Year 6s were very excited when they could see their hands from Year 1," she said.

"We had a kangaroo skin for the students to touch and some chalk for the younger students, which was thoroughly enjoyed."

Ms Elvin's daughter (pictured below), from the Thiin ma and Warriyangga peoples of the Yamatji nation in the Gascoyne region, visited students and showed them her Booka, which is a cloak made from animal skin and represents the continuity of First Nations cultures.

More information on RAPs and how to develop one for your school can found via the Narragunnawali platformhere.



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