

Kilbreda College

A Kildare Education Ministries School in the Brigidine Tradition



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FIRE Carrier Covenant

2016 – 2017



FIRE CARRIERS

Covenant

We recognise that we stand on the sacred land of the Bunurong people of the Kulin nation. We respect Indigenous spiritual connections and beliefs. We aim to work together to help reconcile wrongs that have been done in the past and deepen our understanding of Indigenous culture in our school to provide hope for united future generations.

Reconciliation and Our School

Kilbreda College is a faith-filled and caring community founded on a strong Brigidine Christian heritage.

As a school community, we have a responsibility to acknowledge the discrimination and injustice that has been inflicted on Indigenous Australians. It is our responsibility to promote equality by honouring each unique culture in our society.

As individuals, we take initiative to educate ourselves and our peers to respect and celebrate Indigenous culture.

School Principals: Mrs Teresa Lincoln and Ms Nicole Manglesdorf

Teacher: Ms Jaime Wallace

Support Staff: Mr Anthony Cormick

2017 FIRE Carriers: Year 9 and 10 students

Our Reconciliation Goals

Spirituality

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Learn, Teach, Share, Grow towards understanding Aboriginal Spirituality (holistic)

Action	Responsibility	Timeline	Suggested Activities/Resources
Fortnightly bulletin prayers regarding Aboriginal people and/or Indigenous issues	FIRE Carriers	Ongoing from early 2017 FIRE Carrier students to research and write prayers on camp, Term 1.	Communicate idea with RE Team Use prayer ideas from Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
Stronger connection with Aboriginal Catholic Ministry	FIRE Carriers	Ongoing from early 2017	Sherry Balcombe the contact for ACM

Cultural Recognition and Awareness

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Recognise Cultural Perspectives, Demonstrate Awareness

Action	Responsibility	Timeline	Suggested Activities/Resources
Review current Acknowledgement of Country	FIRE Carriers	2017	With help of Bunurong Elders, girls we'll establish whether current Acknowledgement is sufficient or if it needs to be refreshed.
Put FIRE Carrier Covenant and Acknowledgement of Country on school website	FIRE Carriers in conjunction with Bunurong elders FIRE Carriers and IT	Early 2017	FIRE Carriers to find and print hard copy of Acknowledgement of Country FIRE Carriers then to get in touch with IT to have them

Exhibit FIRE Carrier Flame at appropriate whole- and part-school gatherings	Anthony with help of 2017 FIRE Carriers in consultation with Aboriginal Catholic Ministry	Early 2017	put both Acknowledgement and Covenant onto the school website Need to ascertain what is required for FIRE Carrier Flame
Celebrate NAIDOC week	FC Leaders, RE Domain leaders, Humanities Domain Leaders and FIRE Carriers to help organise	2017 NAIDOC Sunday 2 July – Saturday 8 July Term 2 finishes 30 June/Term 3 starts 17 July	Who, what, why, when, where for NAIDOC activities? FIRE Carriers to lead the marketing so staff and student body are aware of the reasons NAIDOC celebrations are being brought into Kilbreda Good opportunity to fundraise for Opening the Doors Foundation
Indigenous Plaque	FIRE Carriers	Planning in second semester, 2017	After consultation with Bunurong Elders, FIRE Carriers to plan wording and placement of prominent plaque to recognize and acknowledge Bunurong connection to Kilbreda land
Indigenous Mural	FIRE Carriers, art leaders, Indigenous artist	Planning in second semester, 2017	Long term plan to have mural painted within the school to show history of Bunurong people and increase awareness about Bunurong people
Interschool Indigenous Issues	Organise with help of FIRE Carriers.	Term 2 2017	Invite local schools

Forum for select Yr 9 and 10 students to learn about and discuss Indigenous issues and plan ways to implement practical and symbolic reconciliation		Thursday 22/6 (Day 4, Week 10)	Students gather at Kilbreda for the day of speakers, workshops, discussion groups and networking with social justice-minded peers who can collaborate to affect bigger positive change in south east Melbourne.
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Practical Reconciliation and Justice

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Walk the Journey Together, Put Learnings into Practice

Action	Responsibility	Timeline	Suggested Activities/Resources
Strengthen partnerships between school community and Bunurong Indigenous community	FIRE Carriers	2017	Find Bunurong contact to help connect school and Indigenous communities If planned activities such as FIRE Carrier camp, middle years' interschool Indigenous Issues Forum and NAIDOC celebrations occur, Bunurong community will be important to ensure successes
Participate in and learn about the Long Walk to the 'G	FIRE Carriers and interested staff and students	Long Walk = May 27, 2017	FIRE Carriers to attain interest within student body through email, presentations at homerooms, assembly etc. Advertise possibility at potential Indigenous Issues Forum Students attending to come to age-appropriate information session to teach about Long Walk and its history Anthony to double check Kalumburu availability

<p><i>Clothes for Kalumburu Drive</i></p>	<p>FIRE Carriers to lead the marketing of donating old school dresses and PE uniforms (Kim Aidone)</p>	<p>Term 4 2016, Term 1 2017</p>	<p>2017 all students will be asked to donate old uniforms</p> <p>FIRE Carriers to speak at an assembly and write a bulletin notice</p>
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Kilbreda College commits to completing the aforementioned actions regarding Spirituality, Cultural Recognition and Awareness and Practical Reconciliation and Justice within the suggested timeframe; or, where less practical, to putting in place steps to ensure that the actions are completed at a later stage.

The Covenant will be reviewed annually to ensure up-to-date ideas are input in order to facilitate the greatest opportunity for improved outcomes for local Indigenous peoples and projects.