



Ideas for Planning NAIDOC Week Activities

Celebrations are held around Australia each July to celebrate the histories, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. In the interest of safety for communities, NAIDOC Week 2020, has been postponed national celebrations until November. NAIDOC week is usually celebrated Sunday to Sunday immediately following the first Friday in July.

It is understood there may be some groups who may be in a position to celebrate NAIDOC week as usual (July 5 – 12). The week is celebrated not just in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities but also in increasing numbers in all Australian communities.

Here are some ideas on how to celebrate NAIDOC Week:

- Display the National NAIDOC Poster or other Indigenous posters around your ministry space, classroom or workplace.
- Start your own hall of fame featuring Indigenous role models.
- Listen to Indigenous musicians or watch a movie about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history.
- Make your own First Nations trivia quiz.
- Study a famous Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Australian.
- Research the Traditional Custodian of your area.
- Study Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and crafts.
- Work with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artist to produce an artwork representing the theme.
- Run an art competition for your ministry space, school or community.
- Research First Nations history online or visit your library to find books about Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples.
- Visit local First Nations sites of significance or interest.
- Learn the meanings of local or national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander place names and words.
- Invite local Indigenous Elders to speak or give a Welcome to Country at your special event.
- Invite an Indigenous sportsperson or artist to visit you.
- Invite Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander dancers to perform.
- Host a community BBQ or luncheon.
- Hold a flag raising ceremony.
- Organise a smoking ceremony.

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