

'Now More Than Ever'

The theme of National Reconciliation Week in 2024 is 'Now More Than Ever'. This week is a time for all Australians to work towards reconciliation through truth-telling, and understanding the history and culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. At St Mary MacKillop College Swan Hill, students participated in a Acknowledgment of Country on Monday morning and many classes participated in a cultural activity during one of their classes to highlight NRW.

Year 10 students Ash (pictured right) and Tyler, together with Elia Ware, Indigenous Education Support Officer, have also attended the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program cultural immersion tour. They have joined other Indigenous students from across the northern and western regions of Victoria and travelled through Ballarat, Warrnambool, Lorne and Bundoora, experiencing traditional indigenous land at Budj Bim and Framlingham. The students have met many interesting people who have taught them about their culture.



The tour culminated in Melbourne where they spent time at the Dreamtime Expo and a Leadership session at the Richmond Football Club before they joined the Walk to the MCG and celebrated the beginning of National Reconciliation Week at the AFL Dreamtime game between Richmond and Essendon.

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