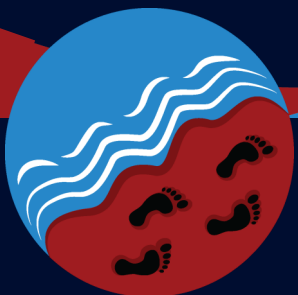




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**Future Footprints
Newsletter**

From the Future Footprints Team

In this edition of the newsletter we are as busy as ever. We have had a very fun term, from school NAIDOC events to the always wonderful Year 12 Graduation Dinner. For the first time we hosted an Alumni Sundowner in partnership with Reconciliation WA, where we had a fantastic time catching up with old students.

We are delighted to welcome David Mander back as a Consultant to join the Future Footprints team. Along with Lisa, David was one of the foundational members of staff at AISWA that helped to develop and establish Future Footprints. We are excited to have him on board as brings a wealth of skills and knowledge about boarding schools and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people, which he combines with a gentle and sensitive approach to meeting their educational support needs. As a registered Psychologist he is particularly passionate about better understanding the wellbeing of young people while they are at boarding school and has published several book chapters and peer review papers in this area. He has a strong focus on nurturing the strengths of students and promoting school environments that enable young people to thrive. David completed his PhD on the transition experience to boarding school for male Aboriginal secondary school students from regional and remote communities across Western Australia, see link:

<http://ro.ecu.edu.au/theses/521/>

Below left Lisa and Katelyn at the 2020 Graduation Dinner, and below right is Lisa and David back in the day on camp in 2006!





Alumni Sundowner

Thank you to everyone that attended our first Sundowner! We look forward to many more exciting things to come in the Alumni space.

If you are a Future Footprints Alumni and would like to be involved and receive our Alumni Newsletter, please email kstubberfield@ais.wa.edu.au to get in touch.





Graduation Dinner

On September 10, in partnership with MADALAH, we celebrated the graduation of 62 Year 12 students, 52 of which participate in the Future Footprints program. We had a wonderful evening at Hale School, with students attending from 20 schools, and many partners and sponsors of the two programs attending.





Award Winners

Thanks to generous support of our partners, Future Footprints was able to award laptops this year to three outstanding students:

Winner of Outstanding Academic Success—Reuben Westerman

Winner of Outstanding Academic Success—Shakira Grasso

Winner of Outstanding Achievement—Seth Roberts

Sponsored by Lavan and Stott Hoare

Runners Up:

Lawson Humphries

Sahara Clarke

Sophia Short

Tyla Bellotti



School NAIDOC Events



Aquinas College held a week long celebration with many activities involving the whole school. Future Footprints assisted the students in making Kangaroo Stew, and attended the NAIDOC assembly where we had the pleasure of seeing the Aquinas College Dance Troupe perform for the first time. Alumnus Lachy Thomas performed the Lord's Prayer in Noongar, and Penrhos College also attended.

The new Junior School mural was completed, a spectacular rendering of Yagan, Perth City, and the Point on which Aquinas College is situated, with endangered species also featuring.

Penrhos College held the start of their celebrations with a NAIDOC assembly to mark the original week in July, and will continue in November. The students led the assembly, and we heard a powerful speech from Year 10 student Chiara Sabbioni-Miller that wowed the whole room.





Aquinas College and Penrhos College





School NAIDOC Events Cont.

We had an excellent time creating a sand mural with the students from Wesley College, which the Moorditj Mob danced on for their peers at lunchtime. We also got up early one Wednesday morning and attended the NAIDOC breakfast, which launched the Wesley Reconciliation Action Plan.

The Perth College Junior School had lots of fun creating their very own sand mural, while learning about Aboriginal culture and symbols in art. The senior school also had many activities, and Lisa Fieldhouse participated in a “You Can’t Ask That” session for one perspective on what it is like as an Aboriginal person in Australia.





Wesley College and Perth College



School NAIDOC Events Cont.



Future Footprints assisted Scotch College middle school students with a sand mural amidst another jam packed NAIDOC week, that also included a NAIDOC assembly with guest speaker Alicia Janz, and a lunchtime kangaroo and emu sausage sizzle.

We also joined St Mary's Anglican School for Girls with a sand mural for their NAIDOC week, which also included painting, damper, kangaroo and emu lunch, and a virtual reality session on Aboriginal History.





Scotch College and St Mary's



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