

## **NAIDOC** Week

7 July 2015

Celebrating the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.







We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate!

To celebrate NAIDOC week, the toddlers and preschoolers went to the local library to view a performance by the Beatty Clan Crew. Taryn Laleen and her family put on an energetic & exciting program of stories, songs and dances from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Everyone wanted to get involved, even the parents! **Tiddlik The Frog** - One of the stories that all the children really enjoyed was Tiddalik the Frog. It's a story of Tiddalik who awoke one morning really thirsty and began to drink until all the fresh water was all gone. Creatures and plant life everywhere began to die due to lack of water. Other animals devised a plan for Tiddalik to release all of the water he had consumed. This was successfully coordinated by a wise old Wombat, when Nabunum the eel made Tiddalik laugh when he tied himself in comical shapes. As Tiddalik laughed, the water rushed out of him to replenish the lakes, swamps and rivers. The children also got to listen to the sounds of the Didgeridoo and even got to make their own to take home. We also sang and danced to "Red, Black and Yellow" which is a song we already learnt. We all had such a wonderful time and got to learn about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people and their community!

## Linking to the Framework Children Have A Strong Sense Of Identity Children Are Connected With & Contribute To Their World Children Have A Strong Sense Of Wellbeing Children Are Confident & Involved Learners Children Are Effective Communicators Principles Respect for Diversity Practices Intentional Teaching, Cultural Competence