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Year 5 student's artwork chosen for National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day poster

This year's National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day (NAICD) poster will feature the artwork of Jazmin Clark, a Year 5 student at Challa Gardens Primary School in the Adelaide suburb of Kilkenny.

NAICD is held on 4 August every year to celebrate the importance and value of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people within family and community.

Jazmin submitted a painting based on this year's NAICD theme, "From small to big, growing stronger every day". The theme salutes the role of services in supporting families and communities to raise resilient, healthy children, strong in their culture.

As part of her artwork, Jazmin wrote: "From small to big, my mum holds my hand to help me along. My dad makes me feel safe."

This year's stunning NAICD poster featuring Jazmin's painting is in production and can be ordered from SNAICC for delivery in July.

Over 50 entries were received from students across Australia, including the Torres Strait. All the artworks will appear on the reverse of the poster and can be viewed on the SNAICC website, www.snaicc.asn.au

SNAICC chairperson Dawn Wallam congratulated Jazmin on having her artwork selected and thanked all the students that had submitted artworks.

"This year, for the first time since we started celebrating children's day, we asked children to send in artworks. We received lots of wonderful pieces and I congratulate Jazmin on her very creative painting," Ms Wallam said.

Ms Wallam said SNAICC has again produced materials to help communities celebrate the day, including a kid's showbag and a teacher's showbag, both packed with lots of material to make NAICD more fun.

Ms Wallam said the SNAICC website has information on how families and organisations can celebrate the day at the local level, and encouraged organisations to register their event with SNAICC.

For more information on NAICD, or to order the poster or showbags, visit the website, www.snaicc.asn.au or call (03) 9489 8099.