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CEDUNA CELEBRATES AHEAD OF THIS YEAR'S ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CHILDREN'S DAY

Photos of event available upon request

Momentum is building for National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day with schools and early learning centres across the country celebrating annual event ahead of 4 August.

SNAICC has joined with Ngura Yadurirn and Minya Bunhii today in Ceduna, South Australia to celebrate First Nations children and young people's connection to culture, community and Country.

Catherine Liddle, CEO of SNAICC – National Voice of our Children said National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day is an opportunity to share our culture, stories and dreams with all Australians as we come together to celebrate the legacy and future of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

“This day provides an opportunity for communities to come together and honor the deep heritage that shapes our identity and the promising future ahead with this next generation of leaders.

“The day will be celebrated across the nation by thousands of children and hundreds of communities, early years services, schools and play groups,” Ms Liddle said.

The event in Ceduna brings together around 300 children and families for a day of face painting, rock painting, damper making, weaving, tracks reading, LEGO and other activities.

Events have been registered across Australia from Kirriri/Hammond Island in the Torres Strait, Galiwin'ku at the top of the NT, Eaton in Bunbury, WA, Moruya, on the south coast of NSW to Gunditjmara country/Tae Rak in regional VIC.

“By honoring their cultural connections, we support the empowerment and continued growth of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth by ensuring their voices and traditions are cherished and celebrated,” Ms Liddle said.

“I hope that children and families around the nation enjoy this celebration of our young people and know just how important our children's connection to culture is.”

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