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TWEED HEADS

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Over the past couple of months, New Horizons in Tweed Heads has developed the Joongurra Jarjums Dance Group and Cultural Program for local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children aged from 5-16. The aim of the group is to engage children with culture in their community predominately through dance, art, music, story-telling and other activities. The group has been an enormous success.

Paul Craft has been instrumental within the Program by attending a number of our workshops and teaching our children about their culture. Paul, or Uncle Boomerang as the children affectionately know him as, has conducted lessons on Boomerang throwing; Spear throwing, Bush Tucker, Art, Stories and Dance.

Paul is able to relate to all ages of the children involved in the Program and all involved are excited to see him when he helps conduct the group.

Paul is well respected within our community and has a wealth of knowledge in regards to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture. The knowledge he passes onto our children is invaluable.

Some of the feedback we have had from the children;

“...I liked the painting and Boomerang throwing...”

“...I liked learning about bush medicine with Uncle Boomerang...”

“...I liked the spear throwing with Uncle Boomerang...”

Shana Lazer and Jaki Treloar

New Horizons Indigenous Community Hub