

# Townsville Community Learning Centre

## *Unity through Connection*

The National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week theme for 2024, 'Keep the Fire Burning! Blak, Loud and Proud' honours the enduring strength and life of First Nations Peoples and their cultures.

With the 2024 NAIDOC theme in mind, Townsville Community Learning Centre – A State Special School (TCLC), have created their wearable art piece using hexagons. The hexagons have been individually created by our students to showcase their individuality and then interconnected to form a complex tapestry of their works. This interconnectedness and coming together of the hexagons, symbolise our unity as a school, unity as First Nations Peoples and our journey toward reconciliation.

Each hexagon in our project carries a unique story, a fragment of our collective heritage. As they come together, they form a vibrant mosaic that is sprouting to life, that

speaks to the resilience and spirit of our Peoples. The process of creating these hexagons has been a powerful act of unity and collaboration.

We have chosen to work with the theme colours of Green and Black. Black representing our Peoples and green representing the power of healing, renewal and regrowth. The green panelling extends to the floor to further embody our connection to Country.

Our wearable art piece is more than just fashion; by creating and having this piece of art worn, we carry our history and our hopes into every space we enter, making a statement that our culture is alive, dynamic, enduring and ever growing, Blak, Loud and Proud!

Together we stand strong!  
Together we Soar!

### ***Unity through Connection*** 2024

Darius AKEE, Molly ANDERSON, Tasman BUTLER (model), Chloe Jane COCHRAN, Mathieson CUPITT, Farron DOOLAN, Daquan EARNEST-KELLY, Allani HARDES, Shae MC CORMICK, Beau MOONEY, Felicity MURPHY, Traque MURRAY-WILLIS, Nathaniel NOYE, Jade PRATT, Glenn PRIOR, Lincoln TOOHEY, Livian WEAVER, Emmanuel WRIGHT.  
Timber hexagons, found and recycled plastics, scrap materials, air dry clay, glass beads, pipe cleaners, snake skin, and other found objects.



