

Submission to Yoorrook Justice Commission**From: Anonymous 1124****Dated: 4 November 2024****Submission:****What do you know about the colonisation of Victoria and its impacts on First Peoples?**

Very little. I didn't grow up here but still expect that if I had, I'd still answer the same sadly.

What has been your experience learning about First Nations history and culture in Victoria's education system? Do you feel it was comprehensive?

I didn't go to school here but am heartened by my son who teaches here and has organised First Nation visitors to his classroom for smoking ceremonies, Welcome to Country and my grandchildren were introduced early at kinder then later in primary school. There could always be more.

What changes would you like to see in Victoria to promote better understanding and respect for First People's?

More active interaction, camps for families with First Nation communities.

In what ways do you think non-First Nations Victorians can contribute to the process of truth-telling and treaty?

Provide opportunities to speak, share, understand in community, at work, school everywhere.

In what ways could First Peoples history and culture be promoted in Victoria?

Need more on tv, more research, more understanding

END