

Tiwi College News



Term 3, 2019

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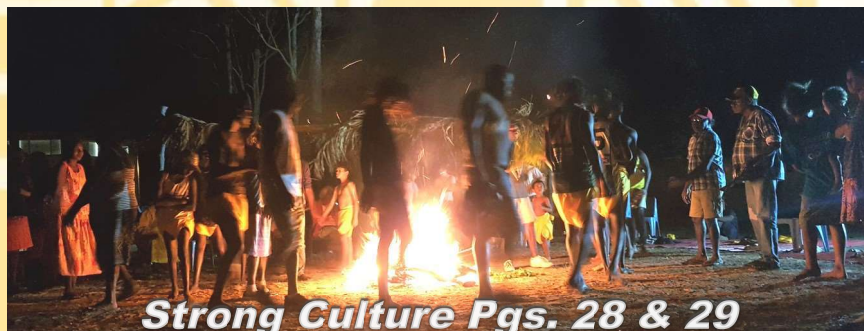
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Awungana Family and Friends of Tiwi College,

This term has been action packed, with some outstanding achievements from staff and students, some of these include:

- Partnering with Red-Cross in Restorative Practice training and working towards Tiwi specific resources and understanding;
- Developing a more culturally appropriate curriculum channelled through our first culture week on campus. This was lead by the Tiwi Leadership Team and involved elders representing from around the Islands;
- We had visitors from Ruyton Girls College, as we partner with them to form a two-way learning exchange program like with have with Scotch College;
- Scotch College visited the College, and our Senior Young Men went on the SEDA Melbourne Trip. The exchange of Tiwi Culture was evident on both these occasions and they represented Tiwi proudly;
- The new Boy's Academy Room officially opened;
- Improved Tiwi Staff Accommodation with more scheduled for 2020;
- Family Group Home upgrades started;
- Improved transition pathways from Primary to Secondary;
- Providing relevant and quality PD opportunities for staff;
- We have 6 Senior Young Men Graduating via SEDA/CDU in either 1 or 2 Certificate II Training Courses. These certificates are in SEDA Sport and Recreation and Construction;
- Increased signage around the campus showing Tiwi & English words.



I would like to thank staff, students and friends of the college for your efforts this term. Tiwi College wishes you a safe and happy holidays and we look forward to seeing everyone in term 4.

Mana,

Stuart Ward



Hello Everyone,

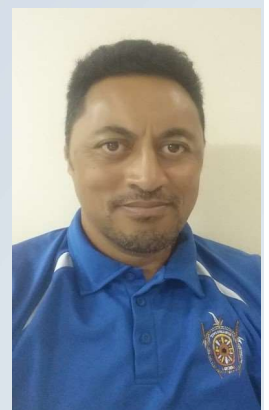
Another massive term with so much happening. Thanks to the staff implementing lots of fun filled, structured, learning activities in their programs.

- *NTSDE visits with the Senior Young Women.
- *Ruyton College Visitors from Melbourne.
- *Family fun day in the communities.
- *Tiwi Rangers Fire Presentation.
- *SYM Construction Program with Brad Sheppard from CDU and Andy Ward.
- *Athletics Championships in Darwin - Well done to all students who were selected to go.
- *Christian Fellowship - Celebrating Fathers Day at Picka and inviting members from the community for a Baptism.
- *Our regular cafes - Thank you to all the staff for all the cakes, scones, muffins, pancakes, bacon and egg muffins and different variety of coffee offered, very much appreciated.
- *FAST Program.
- *MENZIES Visit-Awesome effort by the student leaders continuing the good work with the WellBeing App to be installed on mobile phones. Many thanks to our friends from MENZIES in guiding the students.
- *Senior Young Men SEDA Trip to Melbourne - Once again many thanks to their teacher Matt Godenzi in organising the trip and great effort by the students who continue the fantastic work in the cultural sessions in sharing their knowledge.
- *Staff Dinner - Was a very fun filled night for all who attended. Many thanks to the Social Club for organising the event.
- * Culture Week - A massive exciting week for the school thanks to the Academy team in organising the major event with the assistance and support of all staff.
- *Red Dust visitors coming up for Culture Week - Always a pleasure to keep our ongoing positive working relationship. Our Students were also respectful having them join us for the week.
- * Scotch College Visit -Many thanks to our friends from Melbourne who continue our relationship. Our Tiwi students were willing to share cultural traditions, hunting and gathering, activities and songs with the Elders from the communities also visiting us.
- *Move it Month - Great initiative by the Social Committee to get staff involved in more physical activity.
- *Report Drops and Engagement Days in the Communities - Always great to see families and touch base regarding their children.

I take this opportunity to thank the Exec Team - Stu, Cally, Paul, Denden and Joy. To work together with the Academic, Academy, FGH, Operations and Tiwi Staff under the guidance of the Advisory Board of the TEB at Picka (Andrew Tipungwuti, Jennifer and Brian Clancy). The support of the Tiwi Education Board makes a difference with these kids here at Tiwi College, Pickertaramoor. It's really is both a blessing and a privilege to work alongside all who are here to make a positive difference with these kids.

Mana

Sila Pati-Assistant Principal.





This term has been a very full one in terms of student learning opportunities and experiences.

Our primary class has had visits from university students from CDU studying mammals on the Tiwi Islands. They were able to learn about native and introduced species, trapping techniques and the importance of conserving the threatened species and their habitats. Students created posters about their learning and several made short videos also.

The primary class were also invited to attend the Indigenous Literacy Foundation book launch at Milikapiti Primary School, where they were treated to a special performance by Jessica Mauboy and enjoyed hearing some great stories and songs written by Tiwi students.

All students have continued to benefit from the introduction of some new learning programs including Essential Assessment – a self-paced and tailored online approach to maths skills and the SMART Spelling program which develops students' knowledge of sound patterns and spelling routines.

Culture week included some great in-class activities this term with students learning about the cultural significance and conservation importance of kitirika (female green turtle) and jalingini (native bee). Including more culture and local knowledge in the curriculum and classroom, learning will be a big focus moving forward.

Eight of our students across years 7-12 with an interest in Science and university study have been selected for the Conoco Phillips Science Experience in the first week of Term 4. The group will stay in Darwin for three days of Science exploration at university and experience a variety of different Science careers.

I would also like to welcome Geri to our staff team at the college. Geri joins us from Adelaide and is originally from Canada. She has filled the Special Education Needs Coordinator role. Geri brings to the school a wealth of knowledge and expertise and has some great ideas for developing and improving our student's reading and writing skills.

Wishing all of our students and their families a safe and enjoyable break and we look forward to seeing you back for a deadly 4th and final term.

Cally Jetta

Academic Coordinator



Some of our primary students with Jessica Mauboy at the ILF presentation



CDU student Hugh Davies sharing his knowledge of Tiwi biodiversity with students.



We had scientist Kara visit us from Charles Darwin University. She taught us some more about where some tree dwelling mammals have been living around the Tiwi Islands and which ones shared their tree hollows.



We got to go swimming in Garden Point as part of the Swim & Survive Program.

PRIMARY MOB

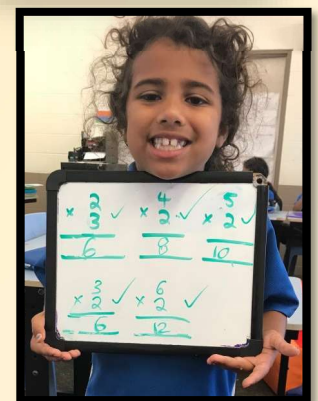
Check out what we've been doing this term!



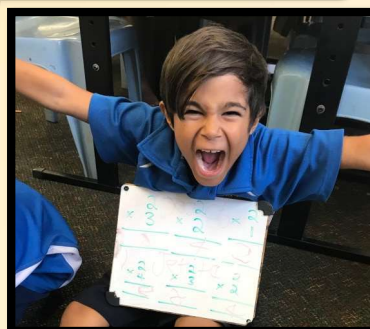
Thank you to the Fireball Tennis crew who spent a lesson with us strengthening our tennis skills. We had so much fun!



Thank you to everyone who helped us collect the Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers. We were able to collect 2450 stickers, which were sent into Woolworths. We got to choose some amazing materials for our classroom.



Our class has been working really hard to improve our multiplication and times tables skills this term. We have worked hard and are really proud of our achievements.





JYW TERM 3 2019

The JYW welcomed many new girls to our grade this term which meant the students were involved in inductions and making sure we all understood our class creed.



We have been working hard this term for all students to understand and follow the routines of Literacy and Numeracy. The girls have enjoyed continued to learn new words by practising different ways to learn new spelling patterns. In Maths, the girls have focused on learning to tell the time correctly and how to round numbers. They understand the importance of both these topics as we use it everyday!

This term we continued to develop our skills in the kitchen and enjoyed cooking many different meals! We also focused on our own lives and things we wanted to and could change in our communities.



JUNIOR YOUNG MEN TERM 3 2019

In Term 3 we had a fresh start with 6 new boys starting out in the Junior Young Men's classroom. All 6 boys settled in well after understanding the Tiwi College way. It was great to see our existing students welcome them in with open arms and helping along the way when faced with challenges.



We followed on with a life-skills focus with continued cooking classes. We cooked delicious burgers that were a massive hit. The boys also had an engagement day that took us out to Jessie River for the day. We had a busy day with many of the boys pulling in some fish from the bank as well as some success with the spear! All in all, it's been a great term and we all can't wait for Term 4.



In Term 3 we developed a new routine during Literacy and Numeracy that the boys responded to really well. We had a continued focus on helping each other when we noticed our classmate struggling as well as using our words to resolve conflicts. Our class captains led the way in this space which was particularly pleasing.



Middle Young Women



It has been a much more settled term with the Middle Young Women showing respect regularly and putting their learning first most days by working really hard.

We have been learning about early Australian History, making huts and building our knowledge on the First Fleet and the convicts. We will continue to look closer at Australian History in Term 4.

Students have also been building on their Literacy, Numeracy and cooking knowledge, as well as weekly art sessions.



Middle Young Women

Middle Young Men

Term 3, 2019

Awana Everyone,

Another fantastic effort from the Middle Young Men this term as we have welcomed new students and learning experiences to our classroom. With the dry season now upon us we have made the most of opportunities to get outside and 'learn through doing'. An example of this was the crafted river boats our boys created using resources from the land and racing them down stream!



We have also used our time to appreciate and thank Joshua Smith for his assistance in helping support the Middle Young Men this term. Josh replaced Oscar Kyriacou from last term, are both ex-students from Scotch College, a school down in Melbourne which Tiwi College shares a close connection. Josh alongside both Oscar and Hugo have given their time over the past 6 months to help support young Tiwi people and we have really enjoyed having them here!

Lastly we are extremely proud of having 16 friends from Scotch College come and visit our school this term! 13 Scotch boys accompanied by 3 staff spent time during a week learning culture alongside our Tiwi boys. It really was an amazing experience!



We are all very excited for Term 4 as we look towards more learning experiences, as well opportunities to celebrate what has been a fantastic year for the Middle Young men in 2019.

Till next time, Mana

Jack, Lenny & Josh



SENIOR YOUNG WOMEN

The Senior Young Women have had a very busy term 3. Deadlines for assignments are fast approaching and we are all working really hard in all subjects.

The NTSDE subjects we worked on this term were

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- ART
- P.E.

We had visits from some of our NTSDE teachers from Darwin, who helped us with our assignments, tests and investigations.

We are very proud of the efforts by all the Senior Young Women. We have definitely seen a change in attitude with many making good choices.



We have learnt many new things and had lots of laughs along the way.

1st Aid



This term some of the SYW class participated in a First Aid course. We learnt lots of things including how to do CPR and how to treat bites and burns.



See you all next term. Love Ash and Tictac

As part of our Art subject we visited Jilamara Art Centre at Milikapiti. We listened to artists talk about their work, checked out the screen printing, visited the museum, and watched the carvers at work.

