



Senior Young Women

This term the Senior Young women have been working hard to finish off the last of their assessments for all subjects. These subjects were Literacy, Numeracy, Art, P.E. In literacy our class wrote and illustrated their own children's book. We had stories about a mermaid and a boy that wanted to be friends, a hairy man, a boy and his kite and more.

Senior Young Women



We are very proud of our 2019 NTSDE graduates Freda Puruntatameri and Kim Stassi. We are all very proud of you and we wish you all the best for the future. We will miss seeing your faces everyday at school.



Graduation



We would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holidays. We will miss you all and look forward to seeing you next year and hearing all your stories. Lots of love, Ash and Tictac.

Senior Young Men



Awana Family,

After a busy Term 3 it was nice for the SYM class to return to some normality with regular Literacy, Numeracy and Sport and Recreation classes resuming. Unfortunately attendance was lower but this meant that for those students that did attend school they had the opportunity to work one on one with their teachers and saw some really great improvements in their studies.

In week 3 we celebrated the graduation ceremony of 6 students at the exhibition centre in Darwin, you can read more about this on the graduates page of the newsletter.

It was great to get back into the kitchen at the farm learning how to cook a number of new meals. Despite the hot and humid conditions of the build up SEDA coaching continued at Milikapiti and Garden Point with the primary students really enjoying these sessions.

Excitingly 8 students were awarded the Learner Permit Licence after completing a day of training with Drive Safe N.T. We also enjoyed a visit from Ben Long and St. Kilda Football Club.

As the year comes to an end of number of students will leave Tiwi College and head out into the work force. We want to congratulate these young men on all of their hard work and thank them for all of the great memories we have managed to create together. If you are leaving school and need help with anything know that your teachers and Tiwi College will always be available to help you in any way that we can.

We also say farewell to the 3 Scotch College volunteers that have spent time with the SYM, this Term we had Oscar helping out who was great and we thank all 3 of you for your unconditional commitment to helping our students.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Christmas and New Year! Mana. Matt and Jonus





Graduating SYM & JIME



2019 has been a very exciting year for the Senior Young Men’s class. We had a record breaking 6 graduates. Teachers Matt Godenzi/Jonus Babui and all the staff at Tiwi College are extremely proud of these young men for the commitment they have shown to their studies. With some great qualifications it is now hoped that these young men can have a seamless transition into the workforce.



The standard has been set and it is hoped that these 6 young men become the role model and bench mark for future Senior students.

Certificate II in Sport & Rec and Construction

George Portaminni (Tipungwuti)
John Kantilla
Stanley Tipungwuti

Certificate II in Sport and Rec

Dion Apuatimi
Paulinus Stassi
John McLennan



JIME

The Junior Indigenous Marine and Environmental Cadet Program (JIME) has continued to grow in Term 4. Following the successful full time employment of Tiwi College graduate Anthony Guy at Tiwi Islands Adventures Lodge after originally being a Junior Guide a number of Tiwi College students have again been a part of this program.

Excitingly the program has grown from just spending time out on the water, to now also delivering a Culture Coaching program that the Senior Young Men have bene running for a number of years. Tiwi College would like to thank and acknowledge the support of both the lodge and JIME founders for the continued opportunities for young Tiwi people.

A number of students have had their first taste of being a Junior Guide this Term—all of them have enjoyed it and can’t wait for further opportunities in 2020.

Mana,

Matt and the Junior Guides of Tiwi College





Jilamara

Our art room has been busy this term with **jewellery design**, **woodwork** (some brave students were trained with a jigsaw), **painting** and **cardboard construction**. I'm proud of the students at Tiwi College for having a good attitude and giving it a try. Thanks to those who helped make the art room a place of experimentation and discovery, especially our volunteer Jacinta and trainee Ruby. See you all in 2020! Mana - Adele



Jewellery Making



Woodwork



Painting



Cardboard



Family Group Home Coordinators 2019

This academic year of 2019 has been eventful and frenzied with lots of excitement and challenges along the way. Looking back at these past 11 years, we believe Tiwi College is heading in the right direction where dreams, and aspiration of our blessed Tiwi elders from yester years are now becoming a reality. We would like acknowledge the present Tiwi elders who are respecting and carrying on these dreams about educating Tiwi generations now and into the future. With that in mind, these success stories are acknowledged here on Tiwi Islands, Northern Territory and nationally.

We believe most of these successes originate from how Tiwi College is set up with Family Group Home (boarding), Academic and Cultural programs. Tiwi College is in the business of making sure that a student finishing from here is developed holistically i.e. spiritually, physically, emotionally, intellectually and socially. One of their social skill we make sure they are up to par with, is their unique Tiwi Culture and traditions. We acknowledge our Tiwi Staff and other indigenous staff members for working to make this a reality, not only practically but also theoretically.

Most of all, I would like to acknowledge our Tiwi elders from past years for making Tiwi College an alcohol free community which has helped in many ways. My prayers is that our beloved present Tiwi elders can keep it that way and respect the wisdom of past Tiwi elders.

There has been a lot of excitement this term with our Life Skills program, especially with HANDS as our theme. Students have gone out helping the Picka community and most of all, helping FGH parents with cleaning and cooking. Well everything has an ending therefore our long 6 week school break is at hand, Let's welcome it with open hearts and enjoy responsibly.

Amelia and I would like to wish everyone a big Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Mana!





FAMILY GROUP HOME 1, TERM 4, 2019



In Term 4 our numbers started off a bit low but slowly grew throughout the term which was great to see! The boys have matured greatly throughout the year and have shown they can make good choices when in the right mind set. The boys continued to show respect at home which was extremely pleasing from our point of view. After a super busy term and year, the boys are very much looking forward to the Christmas break and can't wait to get back out on country to get some fishing and hunting done!

From our point of view, we cant wait to see the boys return in 2020 after the Christmas break so we can continue to see them grow and develop as strong Tiwi people.

On behalf of both of us, we wish all the boys a safe and Merry Christmas and safe travels to all who are going on holidays over the long break.

Finally, we would like to thank all the teachers involved with our boys as they have worked tirelessly with them to mould them into the people they are becoming.

God bless you all,

Tim and Viola Vea



FGH 2



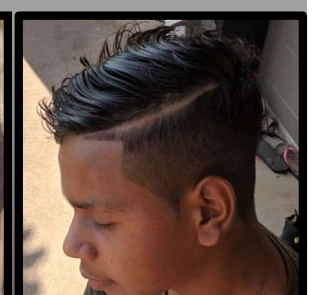
We are so proud of every one of the students that have been in our house this year. We have had high attendance most of the year and are astounded with the maturity amongst the young men in our care.

Above and to the left are our 2019 graduates who we are extremely proud of. They have worked hard, shown amazing growth over the past 2 years and been wonderful role models to their peers. They have led the way for other students to follow in their footsteps and pursue their education to its fullest!



This term has flown by, but in amongst all the footy training, we have managed to have some good Life Skills sessions, outings to the beach and not forgetting all the fun, games and haircuts along the way!

We hope you have a lovely break, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
With love, Pisa, Meaghan & kids.



Family Group Home



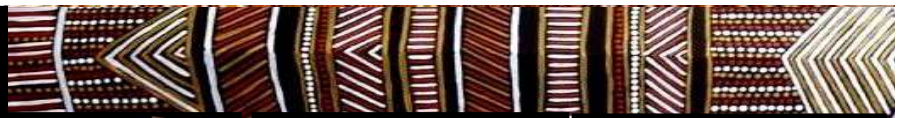
It has been a great term for us at **FGH8**, having most of the new boys settling in well with home programmes and knowing what is expected from each other in our home. Seeing the older guys stepping up and lead was rewarding for us. Boys were creative and hands on with Life Skills this term. They baked cookies to take home for families, hosted their teachers for dinner at the FGH and cleaned other staffs backyard. They were giving back to those that have helped throughout the year.

We looking forward to Christmas, a good break, and getting back to it next year.

~ Sarah and Alova



Family Group Home



As the end of the year approaches, here at FGH4 we have had a theme of *thankfulness* guide us through the final term of 2019. For life skills we have used our hands to create various gestures of thankfulness towards those we recognize in our Picka community, and wider communities who give to many throughout the year. We have also had a thankfulness tree in our house, to cultivate an atmosphere of gratitude as we sat around the dinner table each night. We as house parents are so proud of and thankful for Kim and Marion who have come to an end of their schooling at Tiwi College and we wish them all the best for their future. We hope and pray everyone has a wonderful Christmas and New Year and may we all take time to recall all that there is to be thankful for, particularly the gift of life and hope we celebrate at Christmas. Much love, Dunstan, Nadine, Anaiah & Eva