

## Work Experience for Xavier Nguiu Secondary College Students

Do you have a business, organisation or company that operates on the Tiwi Islands?

Would you be prepared to take on a Xavier student for work experience?

This term in week 9, the 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> of September, the senior students at Xavier Nguiu Secondary College are required to participate in work experience as part of their learning. It gives them the opportunity to have some work experience within your business and the local community. We feel that work experience is a very significant part of a young person's personal development as it gives them a taste, in a more formal role of being an active participant in their community.

We are searching for local businesses to take students for a few days up to a full week.

If there is a possibility that your business or one you are involved in could assist please phone: Kathryn VanEgmond (Principal) or Brendan Hermon at Xavier Nguiu Secondary College on 08 8978 3970.

The staff and students would greatly appreciate any assistance.

## TITEB Latest Developments

TITEB has recently signed four new contracts with the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Governments.

New infrastructure programs include \$900,000 for a new training centre and accommodation block at Milikapiti and \$600,000 for extensions to the Nguiu campus.

Our Money Business program has been renewed for another 2 years and now includes Melville Island. Patrick Puruntatameri and Karina Coombes have been recruited to look after this program on Melville Island.

Our Language, Literacy and Numeracy Program has also been renewed for another 12 months and will be extended to Melville Island when our Training Centre at Milikapiti is completed.

The Infrastructure project at Milikapiti is a joint venture between TITEB and Batchelor Institute who will be training people at Milikapiti in the construction of the facility. If you would like to participate in this exciting program see Jules at CDEP or Des on site. This will be your building so it would be great to look back in time and tell your kids—I built that!

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## Articles For The Tiwi Times

If you have any articles which you would like to go into the September Tiwi Times please email them to us at [tiwitimes@titeb.com](mailto:tiwitimes@titeb.com)

We try our hardest to get your Tiwi Times out by the end of each month and it would be appreciated if you could have your articles to us by the 22nd September.



# TIWI TIMES

Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board

## GRADUATION 2009



The Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board will be having its sixth graduation at the Nguiu Training campus on the 2nd of September.

Eighty seven students will be graduating from TITEB, Charles Darwin University, Industries Services Training, Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education and the BCA National Training Group.

The graduates include another 37 apprentices who have now completed their training bringing the total number of apprentices to complete their training to 153.

This years graduation will include our first 2 plumbers to complete an apprenticeship and another 3 forestry apprentices.

Lunch will be provided and as usual this is an open day and all are welcome to attend.

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## Quote of the Month

*"Only you can change your life. No one can do it for you"*  
Anon

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#### Graduation 2009

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## Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board tenth

### Anniversary

The Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board was 10 years old in August this year. From a humble beginning with no facilities, no staff and no resources, TITEB now has assets in excess of 2 Million dollars and employs 17 staff; 11 of these staff are Tiwi.

Founding staff members, Norm Buchan and Liz Crosby reminisced about the days when they had to beg, borrow or steal whatever they could get their hands on to establish TITEB.

TITEB is a Registered Training Organisation and a Group Training Company with National Quality Endorsement and is considered by many as a model of Best Practice which could be adapted to any remote area Indigenous Community.

## Xavier Nguiu Secondary College (XCEC) News

This year at Xavier our hard working staff have been making sure that our students attend regularly and that their literacy and numeracy levels begin to reach national benchmark level.

One part of our curriculum which has been successful is Accelerated Literacy. One quarter of our students have improved and are now reading with 100% accuracy. Students are finding the novels that they are studying very interesting.

This term the Senior Girls and Boys are studying a book called 'Njunjul the Sun' by Meme McDonald and Boori Pryor. It is about a teenage Aboriginal boy's journey from his home country in Queensland to the busy city of Sydney. Through studying this book, the senior students are learning to write their own stories about their culture and their own lives. The students are excellent readers and can improve their writing skills by practicing at home and being encouraged to tell stories.

Our Maths curriculum has been enhanced with the introduction of QUICKSMART. This program helps students to develop their number skills and increases the speed at which they respond to Mathematical questions.

This term we have introduced an integrated study on the people of Northern Australia and Northern Alaska. In this unit the students are studying Science, SOSE, Health and Religious Education, Music and Horticulture around this topic area.

Elective Programs run every afternoon until three o'clock. Art, Wood Technology, Food Technology and Outdoor Education have seen the students doing a lot of hands on activities.

Every fortnight our school army cadets are led by Cisco and Aaron, Garry and Julie. This week they learnt about camouflage and concealment, with their faces painted in camouflage colours they headed for the bush to practice these newly learnt skills.

Financial Literacy is going to be our focus in week 5 and we have partnered with Karen Sheldon Catering to develop a unit of work which involves cooking and budgeting. This is an exciting unit and in the evenings Karen is going to conduct adult classes which teach parents some cooking skills as well as budgeting. All parents are welcome.

Also in Term 3 **Week 9** our senior students will be doing **Work Experience** and we would like local businesses and organisations to take on a student for one week's experience. If you are interested see **Brendan Hermon at Xavier. Phone 89783970**

Education is exciting at Xavier please support it by sending your kids to school everyday.