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*Wurrumiyanga Back to School march*



MCPS Primary, Xavier Catholic College (Wurrumiyanga), Milikapiti Primary School (Melville Island), Pirlangimpi - Pularumpi Primary School.

The back to school March was held on Tuesday 21st July with all school returning to school ending the march with a BBQ breakfast of Bacon & Eggs.



*Milikapiti Back to School march*



*Pirlangimpi Back to School march*

# Message from our CEO



A huge hello to all our Tiwi communities. It's been a crazy 2020 so far with everything coming to a stop from early March up till now due to the Corona Virus. We extend a massive virtual hug and thoughts of support for everyone who is feeling the Covid-19 anxieties, stresses and the constant unknowns

of when things will start getting back to a new normal.

The RSAS program has still been out and about supporting the schools at improving attendance. This year has put an extra strain on attendance due to parents feeling unsafe with the Covid-19 situation, extra money in the community, families traveling to other localities and, the lack of sleep being one of the main factors why children are absent from school.

Our School Nutrition Program at Milikapiti and Pirlangimpi are fully Tiwi staffed and are going from strength to strength. Their menus are varied and full of food that is good for growing kids. We are extremely proud of the teams.

With zero community spread in the Northern Territory, we are truly one of lucky to be in one of the safest places on earth during this pandemic and we need to support all agencies who are doing their best to keep it that way. With no CDP participation and increased Job Seeker Payments, our biggest challenge is helping our client base understand that now is the best time to take up paid employment as Jobseeker Payments will be decreased over the next few months and people might find themselves in need of paid work once again.

On the CDP program front, as advised by the funding department, NIAA, we are still only able to service Job Seekers over the phone and via email. We are waiting patiently for approval to begin activities once again. We are really looking forward to being able to work with our clients again soon. There has been no indication that this will be anytime soon. but we will keep you all informed we get updates.

Stay safe and we hope to see all of you again soon.

**Maria Harvey**  
CEO

## Commercial Cleaning of Bathurst Island TITEB Site

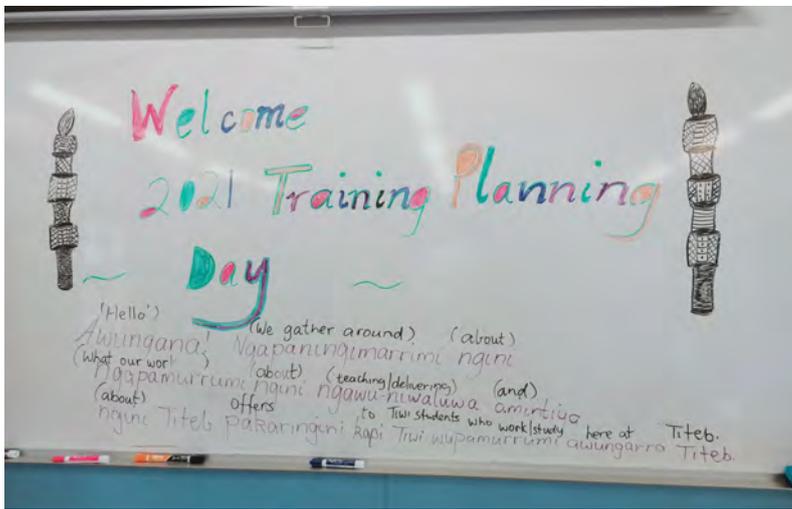
Our CEO Maria Harvey decided that as part of our commitment to COVID planning and our return to the Tiwi Islands, we would employ Regina's Cleaning Services to clean our TITEB site at Wurrumiyanga at the end of June.



Our RTO Manager Peter Tubb met the crew at the airport and took them to our site. As soon as the team arrived, they commenced cleaning. Toilets, laundry, classrooms, accommodation units, inside and out, ceilings, floors, walls, cupboards, windows and doors. Each day the cleaners commenced at 7am and worked through until 5.30 or 6pm, stopping only briefly for lunch and drink breaks. Detergent, disinfectant, mops, sponges and scourers, high pressure cleaners, vacuum cleaner, soon meant streak free windows, squeaky clean floors, desktops with no dust and cobwebs gone. The place looked, felt and smelt clean and fresh.

Our sincere thanks to the cleaning team. Their professional, friendly and dedicated approach has really helped us get ready for our opening. Without hesitation, we would recommend this business to anyone looking for cleaning services.

After a long week Barbara, Juan, Andrew and Alessandro seemed very happy to be heading home.



# Staff Planning Day

TITEB had a staff planning day on 15th July at the Wurrumiyanga site. The Milikapiti and Pirlangimpi staff made their way to the Wurrumiyanga site for a combined open forum discussion.

The day had 2 aims with the morning session devoted to formulating streamlined collaborations and identifying new trainee modeling for all TITEB divisions whilst the afternoon was spent establishing a working list of training opportunities for communities and staff.

Therese opened the day with welcome to country. Pip then provided a summary of TITEB's CDP caseload job placement data to inform staff about activities and participants. As the morning progressed it became clearer that we need to address school leavers and assist with engaging the CDP earlier.

After lunch staff were encouraged to brainstorm training requirements and opportunities for training. The ideas flowed, with groups listing common goals and wishes. These ideas have all been kept and are currently being worked through to establish a calendar for ongoing professional development.

A big thank you to our RTO Manager Peter Tubb and GTO Manager Philippa Walsh for planning the day. We look forward to more opportunities for staff and community development.



# Milikapiti Site Update

*By Milikapiti CDP Site Manager Tony Connors*

It has been a very worrying time as we move through this Covid-19 episode but thankfully everyone here has done the right thing in the Territory (so far) and we are well. Well done!

How strange it was to celebrate NAIDOC without crowds. I for one enjoyed a trip to Jabiru with my wife Kim. We took time to reflect on how far we have come so far with Indigenous issues and also how lucky we are to live in such a beautiful

country, especially with the issues happening in other countries around the world at the moment.

Our participants have been exempt and on bush holiday but things have been going on regardless and our staff have been busy making changes to the way we will do things when we get back to work. We have been establishing new protocols around keeping everybody safe when we eventually get through this difficult time, particularly how we ensure good hygiene is practiced to ensure we remain virus free.

Our Women's Activities Co-Ordinator and School Nutrition Co-ordinator Chris Handicott, Employment Consultant Tabatha Burt, Activities Admin Assistant Kylie Puruntatameri as well as myself have been busy cleaning, planning and organizing things in preparation for our return to normal activities whenever they required.

Our team at the Milikapiti site would like to thank the new RTO Manager Peter Tubbs and his dedicated team for providing training and upskilling opportunities for our local staff in particular. We have also been purchasing new equipment and tools so that we can improve our work and ability to do more with the community.

Thank you to the Tiwi Islands Regional Council for tidying up and working on the roads. Thank you to the clinic staff for keeping us well under difficult times. Thank you also to the shop and take away staff for keeping us fed and a warm welcome Raylene and Ed the new managers.

I look forward to seeing you all soon. Thanks Chris, Tabatha and Kylie for looking after me since I started! Stay safe everyone and be kind to one another.



*A beautiful sunrise at the barge landing towards Picnic Point*

## RTO

*By RTO Manager Peter Tubb*

To describe this year for the RTO as interesting is an understatement. Due to Covid19 TITEB made the decision to hibernate the RTO, which meant that we could not deliver any training.

As the opening of the borders drew near, I advised the training regulator that we intended to resume business. To meet Northern Territory Government requirements, during our closure, we took the opportunity to deep clean our site and start putting our Covid19 plan in place.

For people who visit or start courses with us, you will notice we have a few new requirements, like taking your temperature, getting you to sign in, explaining what happens if you feel unwell, along with hand washing and sanitizing regularly.

The RTO is now open and is commencing training operations. Whilst the opening has been quiet, and attendance is voluntary we look forward to seeing students coming through the gates in the next few weeks and welcome people to drop in and see us.

We will be advertising upcoming courses at the old store and new store to help you stay informed.

# Wurrumiyanga Women's Centre

*By Wurrumiyanga Women's Activity Coordinator Brenda Ryle*

During the closure period, the staff at the Wurrumiyanga Women's Centre have been busy at work. We had a crash course in painting and now have the meeting room looking beautiful (*photos above*).

When we re-open, we are planning to work with participants to choose colours and share our skills to get the rest of the centre painted. We are also working on a lot of new ideas to keep our participants interested.

The Women's Centre staff have also been busy assisting with community events.

Sister Ann had a delivery of white sheets for the Op shop. We offered to tie dye them for her and did it at the museum so her staff could join in.

The Women's Centre are missing all of our participants and hope they can work with all of you soon.



# Wurrumiyanga Men's Activities

By Wurrumiyanga Men's Activity Coordinator Geoff Collins

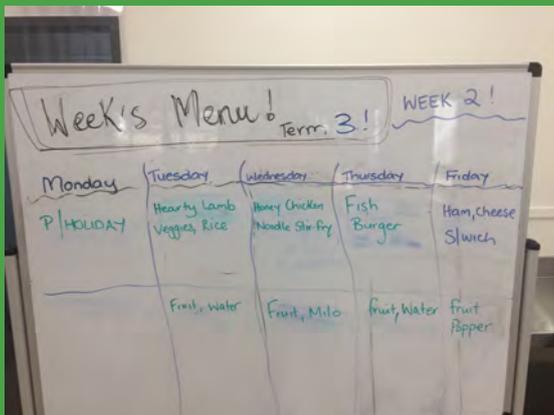
With CDP activities still suspended, TITEB has been working on progressing plans for infrastructure development at the Wurrumiyanga farm. The lack of a landline or mobile coverage has been addressed by installing a digital phone system, and a technician has serviced and repaired the tractor and bobcat. The tractor will now be modified to allow attachment of a slasher and mulcher.

During a recent site visit, NBC Consultants examined existing power and water arrangements and conducted soil tests. The information will be used to determine the best type and location of an ablution block, in accordance with regulatory guidelines. Also planned for the site are covered shipping containers for secure storage and, ultimately, accommodation for the farm manager.

In the medium term it is envisaged that the Wurrumiyanga farm will become a hub for training and CDP activities, and in time social enterprises under the umbrella of the Community Development Program.



Wurrumiyanga Farm



## SNP - Pirlangimpi

By Pirlangimpi Activities Manager Matthew Watts

The Pirlangimpi School Nutritional Program is back in full swing after everyone enjoyed their bush holidays.

The ladies have been working in with the new principal Rachael Neil to continue to supply the students with nutritious meals twice a day. TITEB also continues to work with Gabi Diaz who is the Public Health Nutritionist for Top End Health Service who provides advice on Nutritional Guidance and portion control for our School Nutrition Program at Pirlangimpi. Gabi is also coming to Pirlangimpi in the near future to provide training in these areas to the School Meals Workers.



## GTO

*By GTO Manager Philippa Walsh*



Congratulations Jaydon Black and Matthew Galarla who officially signed up as Carpentry Apprentices on 28th July 2020.

TITEB would like to thank David Hobbs (in picture below) and his team at DT Hobbs Pty Ltd for offering Jaydon and Matthew such a fantastic opportunity.

Due to housing maintenance tenures, building and construction companies undertaking projects in community are unable to commit to employing apprentices for the full term of their apprenticeship, which can be up to 4 years. Under Group Training arrangements, TITEB is able to employ apprentices and place them with Host Employers. This allows apprentices to continue employment and training and be hosted by building and construction contractors that are delivering projects within their community. DT Hobbs is committed to offering local employment and training opportunities and by partnering with TITEB, they have been able to offer two promising young Tiwi men the chance to become the next local Tradesmen.

To become an apprentice you must have proven you are a good worker with a great attitude. Jaydon and Matthew have proven they have what it takes and with a committed Host Employer (DT Hobbs) and the TITEB team behind them, we are surely setting them up for success.



## Need a tutor?

Would you like to have your own personal online tutor to help you with your studies? Norm Buchan is registered with Charles Darwin University (CDU) as an ITAS Tutor. If you are an indigenous student at CDU who is entitled to tutoring under the ITAS program, you can request his assistance.



Norm has recently retired after 42 years in the NT. He worked in education and training for the NT government and spent 12 years at the University. For the last 18 years of his working life, he was the CEO of TITEB. Norm is a qualified teacher and has many qualifications in education and training including a Bachelor of Education. He is passionate about helping First Australians to reach their true potential. He believes that tutoring is about forming a partnership with the student based on trust and respect. He manages to build on a person's strengths while at the same time minimizing weaknesses. He remains good friends with many of his past students.

If you would like to talk to Norm about what he may be able to help you with drop him an email at [normbuchan@bigpond.com](mailto:normbuchan@bigpond.com) or give him a call on 0409 676 852.

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# Looking for a job?

Please visit our new Jobs Vacant page on our website [www.titeb.com.au](http://www.titeb.com.au) to see up to date jobs that are available on the Tiwi Islands.



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### Tiwi Male Assistant Teacher

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  - » Applicants must be residents on Bathurst Island
- To apply, please contact Michelle Groves at ☎ 8970 9175

### Women's Shelter Manager

- » Need an Ochre Card and National Police Clearance Check
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### Women's Shelter Support Worker

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# Covid-19 Word Search

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