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It's time for Term 2!

Term 2 is off to a great start, with a number of students making some incredible progress in their literacy and numeracy skills and developing their cultural knowledge alongside elders and community members. With some exciting events planned, we would love to see as many wurdurd and families engage with the school as possible.

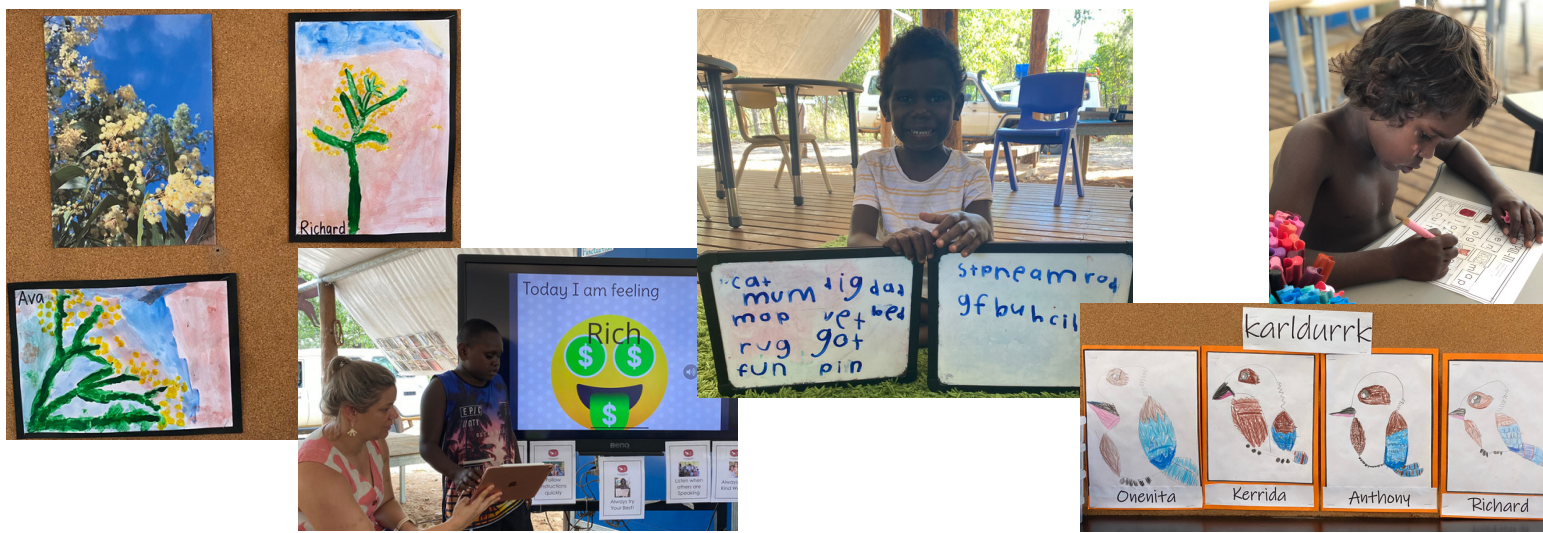
We are very excited to report that the Nawarddeken Academy have submitted applications for two new independent schools within the Warddeken IPA. One in Manmoyi and one in Mamadawerre. The Academy has urged the Department of Education to work with us to make sure students don't miss out on any more education than necessary. As such we have requested DoE provide a response to our applications before the beginning of Term 3. It would be fantastic for wurdurd at Manmoyi and Mamadawerre communities to have a qualified, full time teacher, delivering quality education beginning on July 12th, day 1 of semester 2.

Olga Scholes, Executive Officer

On Country Learning

Towards the end of Term 1, we went on a bush trip with Daluk and Cara, the Warddeken ecologist, to set camera traps to monitor mammals close to Kabulwarnamyo. Students learnt how to clear breaks around the camera and used their maths skills in measuring distances between the cameras and the baits. In Term 2, the weather has been changing from Bangkerreng to Yekke (dry season). Kodjdjan Mary taught us about some of the indicators that show us Yekke is coming such as the manbedje (spear grass) browning and the beautiful manbirrbirr (acacia) flowering. We have also loved having a swim with our goggles before it gets too cold!

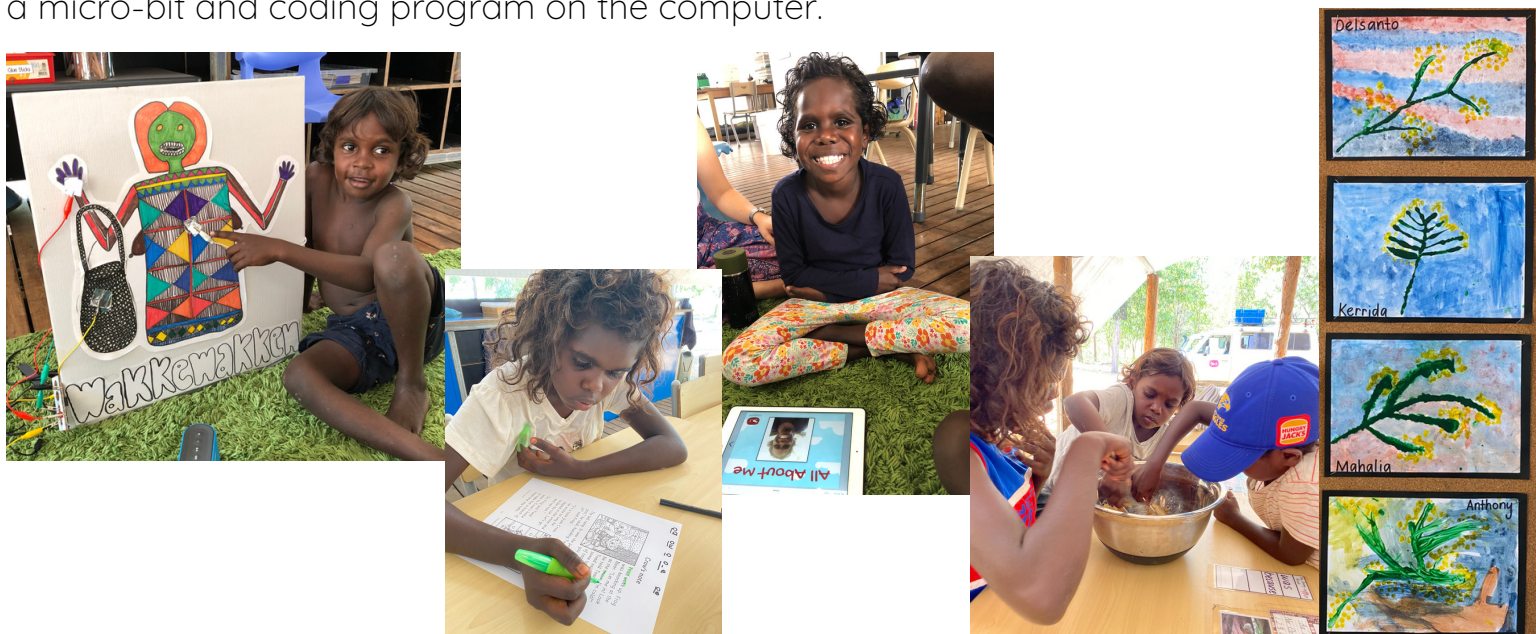




This term, we have been working very hard on reinforcing our reading skills and alphabet sounds. Many of our students have learnt most of the initial code and are building their fluency in reading short words such as cat, man, pop. Nearly all of us can write our names independently now too! Some of our students have moved onto to the extended phonics code, learning sounds such as ai, ay and a-e and oa, ow and o-e. With the beginning of Yekke we had lots of kaldurrrk (kookaburras) come around the school balabala. We read a book about kookaburras called "Silly Birds" by Greg Dreise and created artwork by following a drawing video on youtube. During art, we used watercolours and 3D paint to create beautiful artworks of flowering manbirrurr.

Classroom Learning

In Maths, we have been developing our addition skills such as counting on, double digit addition and friends of 10. For the younger students, we have been working on learning the numbers 6 to 10 and understanding their value. During Cooking, we have made healthy banana muffins, smoothies, bacon and egg muffins, pancakes and tzatziki dip using cucumber for our morning tea. We were also lucky enough to have Jennyfer come back to Nawarddeken to run a STEM workshop, showing us how to make a Wakkewakken talk using a micro-bit and coding program on the computer.



School Engagement

It is very important that when wurdurd are in Kabulwarnamyo or Marlkwawo, they are coming to school and are on time. If your wurdurd need breakfast, come to school between 8.15am and 8.30am. School starts at 8.30. This is when learning begins. It is very important that wurdurd are on time so they do not miss out on learning.

On food delivery day, your wurdurd will:

- be given an engagement slip to take home. This is for you to see when your wurdurd has been at school since the last food plane and for the term so far.
- be entered into a raffle to win a big kunwarlay (meat) tray if they have the best school attendance for the past 2 weeks.

Term 2's engagement for wurdurd in community is lower than when we compare it to the past. This means that many wurdurd are missing more school every week. We need students to be coming every day and welcome any feedback or ideas on how we can help make this happen.

We are planning an interstate trip for students with the best attendance. We understand that COVID has had an impact but we need families and community to support students to come every day.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight

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4 weeks



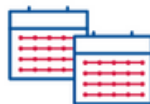
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Over **1** year missed

1 day per week

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8 weeks



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Over **2.5** years missed

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Term 3 Activities

Week 1	12 th - 16 th July: Deadly Science An Aboriginal-run science and STEM workshop	
Week 2	19 th - 21 st July Mini Camp	22 nd - 23 rd July Art Workshop
Week 3	26 th - 30 th July: STAMP Music Pete Arthur along with Terrah Guymala, Conrad Maralungurra and Ray Nadjamerrek will be writing songs with wurdurd	
Week 4	2 nd - 6 th August: First Aid Workshop A remote first aid workshop for wurdurd and bininj	

All families are welcome to be part of the fun in Kabulwarnamyo. Please bring your own blanket and swag. Some manme will be provided for so let Olga, Jodi or Adelaide know when you are coming so we can order.

What is ringworm (yayme)?

Ringworm otherwise known as tinea is caused by fungus. There is no actual worm in ringworm.

How do you get ringworm?

Skin to skin contact with another bininj (person) who has ringworm.

Touching an infected bininj's clothing, bedding or towels.

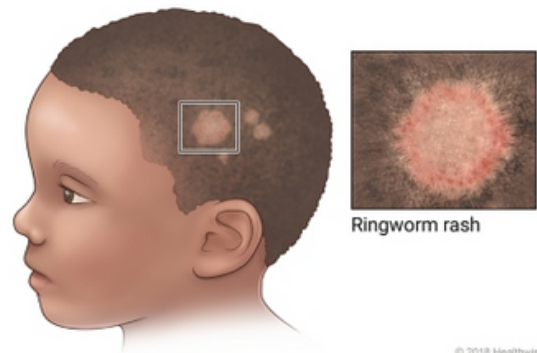
Touching an infected duruk (dog) or budjiked (cat).

Why is ringworm bad?

It spreads very easily to other people.

It is very itchy and uncomfortable.

If it is on your head for a long time, you can lose your hair.



Staying Healthy – Ringworm / Tinea

Treatment?

Anti-fungal cream from the clinic. Rub it on 2 times a day. If you have it on your fingernails, you need to take tablets. Everyone who has it needs to be treated.



Next clinic visit: Wednesday 2nd June

Dependent on staffing - the clinic is currently down 2 senior nurses.

Gunbalanya Clinic: 8979 0178

Important Dates

TERM 2 HOLIDAYS:

26th June - 11th July

TERM 3 ACTIVITIES:

12th July - 6th August

TERM 3:

12th July - 18th September

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS (NO SCHOOL):

Due to the Term 3 activities, the public holidays on the 23rd July & 2nd August will be moved to a later date in the term.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING:

TBC

April

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Easter 2-5 April 25 April Anzac Day						

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Queens Birthday June 14						

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Darwin Show Day 23 July Census period starts July 12- 6 August						

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Picnic Day 2 August Census 6 August						

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