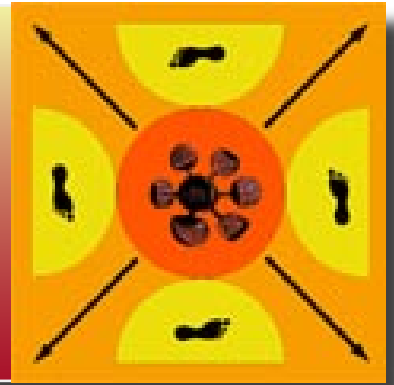


# Pak Newsletter

Papulu Apparr-Kari Language Centre

*Leaving Language Footprints across the Barkly*

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## From the C.E.O.

Welcome to readers of our first Newsletter from Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation. This newsletter is intended to inform and provide information to the local community and all interested people Australia wide with information regarding the programs and the latest CDEP issues and activities, and services available at Papulu Apparr-Kari, as well as any items that may interest you the reader.



I hope you enjoy the read and that you will look forward to the next issue of our Newsletter being sent to you next month. We would appreciate any feedback regarding our Newsletter and how it can be improved, that you would like to offer.

Karan J Hayward  
General Manager / CEO

As this is our first newsletter of this type, we are still getting every thing into order, and ironing out the glitches, but I believe this newsletter is a first-rate document and a great accomplishment for the publishing area of PAK.

All credit goes to Peter Henwood who has worked on this project over the past few weeks to get it to this stage. From chasing up articles, staff and research, and the designing of the newsletter itself.

Over the next few months, we hope the Newsletter will give you some insight in to Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation.

Each month we will focus on a different CDEP program, Work Plan being conducted at PAK and hope to improve the general knowledge of what PAK does, and what we have to offer.

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# C.D.E.P. - From Strength to Strength

The Community Development Employment Program at Papulu Apparr-kari Language Centre continues to gain strength and offer an increasing range of options for participants. CDEP coordinator Anita Mayers and Papulu Apparr-Kari CEO Karan Hayward recently attended and completed the latest CDEP manager's course bringing them up to date with all the latest developments in CDEP.

This year sees the movement of CDEP into its new office. Located in the east wing, the new office is well sign posted so those looking will know where inquiries can be handled. By relocating CDEP to its new office it is hoped that a more efficient and productive work flow will follow. Participants will also have increased privacy for their inquiries.



*C.D.E.P. coordinator Anita Mayers settles into the new office.*



*Media Unit trainees develop their editing skills under the watchful eye of Unit manager Arron Horwood.*

CDEP Manager Anita Mayers explained that her role is to run the day to day affairs of the office and deal with all inquiries. In addition she assists in developing work plans for participants and maintains all personnel files of participants. Assisting with the organisation of meetings conducted at Papulu Apparr-Kari is also within her role.

Having lived in Tennant Creek since 1981 Anita joined the Language Centre in 1997 and has steadily gained knowledge of the local people and Communities enabling her to address the specific needs to participants.

Language Centre CDEP participants have a wide range of experiences available to them. We have people working in education assisting the Tennant Creek Primary, Pre-school, and High School as well as Elliott CEC, and the McClaren Creek outstation school. We also have people placed in the Tennant Creek Town Council, the Child Care Centre and with Legal Aide.

Our gardening/yard crew have been active and anyone looking for a reasonable rate to have their yard cleaned up or some grass cut should contact us.

The Media Unit continues to go from strength to strength with trips to Darwin to develop a promotional video for TEEBA recently completed and plans to make a film clip for the band High Tide in Borroloola due to commence shortly.

Editing of the Tennant Creek Rodeo is near completion and this should be available early May.

Our film unit is available to record any special event your organisation is involved in, or to develop any promotional or training videos to assist you meet your objectives. Our rates are reasonable and for further details contact Arron Horwood.







*Work experience student Rueben Taylor illustrating a soon to be published English/ Warumungu animal booklet.*

## *Work Experience Student*

The newest addition to the publications unit is Rueben Taylor, a student from Tennant Creek High School with a keen interest in graphic arts. Rueben joins us two half days for work experience.

He is a talented young artist who is showing considerable flair with the projects he is working on at the moment. He is developing his skills in using the vector draw and animation program Flash. He is settling in very well and brings needed skills to the publications unit.

If Rueben finds that this type of work interests him as a possible career then he may become our first school based trainee, whereby he would remain at school for some further education but increase the hours he works for us.

Developing pathways for youth and partnerships with our schools is an important part of the Language Centre's role and one that CEO Karan Hayward believes needs to be extended further.

Providing opportunities and encouraging young people into positive and meaningful activities for their future employment is the best way forward for our youth. The Language Centre views this as an important role and will explore other pathways for youth opportunities.

## *High School Program to Commence*

This years Language and Culture Program for Tennant Creek High School's years 7-9 students will commence in the week beginning April 28. The on-going partnership between the school and the Language Centre is seen as vital by both organisations.

This year will see all students do a short intensive course of around nine weeks that will include major aspects of local indigenous culture and contemporary organisational structures. Groups of students will rotate through the program for the remainder of the year.

A major focus for the program is to develop respect and understanding between indigenous and non-indigenous students both for traditional beliefs and for new pathways and directions that are developing for indigenous communities.

The program should go a long way to fulfil the students' requirements under the new Curriculum Framework for indigenous studies as part of the Social Education strand.

In addition it is hoped that special language development classes will be conducted for those indigenous students who are strong language speakers to help promote and develop their skills in writing and reading their own languages.



*Rose Graham meets with High School teachers Scott Beaton and Susannah Hollands to plan the school program.*



# *Services and Product Guide*

**Papulu Apparr-kari Language Corporation can supply a wide range of Services and Products.**

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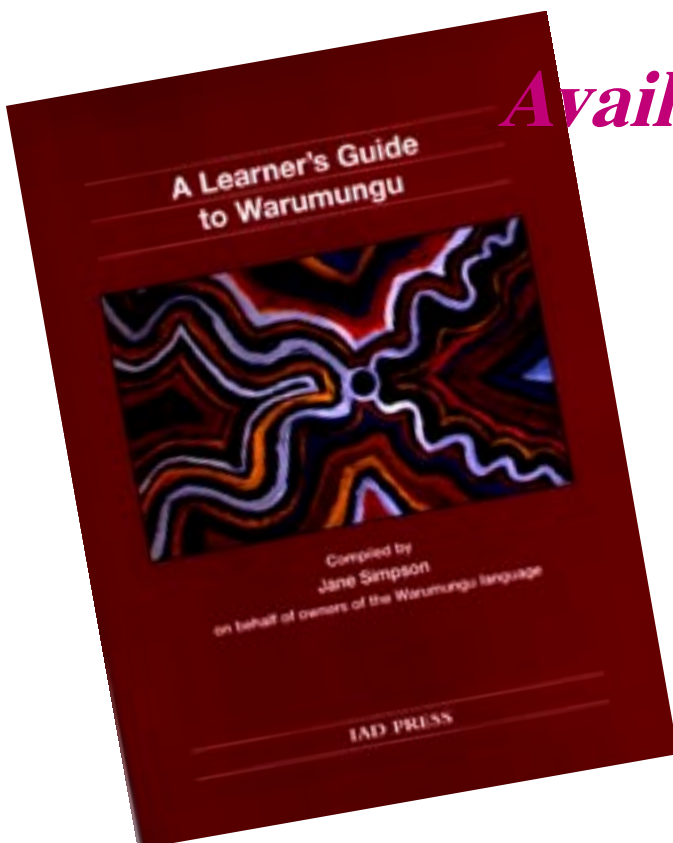
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