Message from the Principal

**Staffing**
- We welcome Rex (Judith) McLean as the new senior teacher in secondary. Rex has arrived from Mataranka with husband Bill and 4 children.
  Rex has prior experience as Principal at Mataranka and is looking forward to the challenge of running our secondary campus.
- Thank you to Danielle Schmidt who has filled in for Marita McKenzie, as Teaching Principal at Kiana School.
  This has provided Danielle with valuable experience and an appreciation of the complexity and demands of running a very remote single teacher school.

**Naplan**
The 2012 National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests for Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 will be held on the 15th, 16th & 17th May.

All states and territories in Australia conduct these tests. These tests are an assessment of learning and demonstrate students skills and knowledge. I know that our students will do their best and continue to show improvement over the years.

**Parents and Carers**
When collecting students during the day for family business, please report to the office first and sign the children out. This is very important as we have a duty of care and need to know where our students are during school hours.

Mr Matthews, Cody Miller, Leithan Noble and Greg Goodsell with toolboxes made in the Work Ready Class.

Graeme Matthews
Principal
Construction Certificate students with the fitness playground they helped to install at the Primary School.

NGARDARA CLASS

Year 5/6 Ngardara Class went fishing at the crossing this week. We used the cast net to catch bait and got six nice Queen fish. At school we cooked the fish and had a yummy lunch.
**PRE SCHOOL Times**

8.15 – 11.15  Class Time  
11.15 – 11.45  Bus delivers students home  
Door does not open before 8.am

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**APRIL**

25  ANZAC DAY – DAWN SERVICE AT TAMARIND TREES

**MAY**

1  OPENING DOORS CEREMONY  
7  MAY DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**JUNE**

11  QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

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**Canteen Snacks**

Thursdays and Fridays during the Lunch break the canteen is open for students to buy healthy snack items.

Please **do not** send more than $10 per child for canteen purchases.

**HEALTHY FOOD IN SCHOOLS**

- NO SOFTDRINKS
- NO LOLLIES
- NO JUNK FOOD

**EAT WELL, BE ACTIVE AND BECOME STRONG**

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**LOGO COMPETITION**

*Calling for entries designing a logo for the Rodeo.*

**Winning Entry receives $250.**

**Must be in by 25/05/12**

Entries to: Burto at Mabunji  
Annette at School  
Kerry at IST
SECONDARY MRM INDUCTION TRIP

Ready to go to the Mine.

Monday 23rd May saw 11 students travel to the Mine for their induction prior to a site excursion later in the term. The students learnt a lot about safe work practices.

During the induction at the Mine.