NAPRANUM ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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NEW WHEELS NEW OPPORTUNITIES

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Napranum PaL Drives Learning Forward

Napranum PaL Group is excited to share that we have been successful in our grant application to the Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) to purchase a new vehicle for our program!

To make the new car something truly special and reflective of our community, an expression of interest was put out to local artists to create a unique design for the vehicle wrap.

We are proud to announce that Marsha Hall's artwork was selected for the final design. Her piece, titled "Surrounding the Five Tribes," represents the Alngith, Thanakwithi, Peppan, Wathayne, and Anathagayth peoples.

Marsha's artwork beautifully captures the Weipa area during the wet season, when the trees, swamps, and creeks are full and the land comes alive. The design is a vibrant celebration of connection to Country, culture, and community.

Our new vehicle is now on the road — showcasing local talent and community pride everywhere it goes!

Parents and Learning (PaL) is a long-standing early childhood and family learning program that supports parents and carers as their child's first teacher. The program provides families with culturally relevant learning resources and activities that build literacy, numeracy, and confidence in young children while strengthening family connection and participation in education. PaL continues to make a lasting impact in Napranum by empowering parents and fostering a love of learning from an early age.



WORDS FROM CEO

STORM SEASON PREPARATIONS
Local Disaster Management Plan
A review of Council's Local Disaster Management Plan has been completed in the lead up to the upcoming wet/cyclone season, with Council endorsing the updated plan at its October Council meeting.
Disaster Cleanup
Council's team has commenced a cleanup of community in preparation of the upcoming storm season. Loose debris is being cleared and drains cleaned in preparation of potential disaster season impacts.
A community clean up will also be conducted over the coming weeks to allow residents to clean up yards and remove loose items that may become airborne in strong winds.

Get Ready Day
During the month, Council hosted a Get Ready Event, giving community an opportunity to meet our local emergency services agencies and Council's team, as we prepare for the upcoming storm/wet season.
Community members were also able to collect a Get Ready pack, filled with useful items and information to help prepare for and stay safe during the storm season.

COUNCILLOR TRAINING
LGAQ 2025 Annual Conference
Mayor Chevathen, Cr Madua, Cr Adidi, Cr Mairu and I recently attend the Local Government Association of Qld's (LGAQ) 2025 Annual Conference. This was a great opportunity to liaise with all the other Queensland local governments sharing knowledge, ideas and advocating for additional funding and support for local governments.
Councillor Training
In addition to attending the LGAQ Conference, councillors have also taken part in several training opportunities.
Last week, Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council hosted an expert in local government law, who provided valuable advice and insights into the legal frameworks within which local governments operate, as well as the roles and responsibilities of councillors.
Councillors Mairu, Madua, and Adidi also attended a two-day course in Weipa conducted by the Queensland Treasury Corporation and Griffith University, on "Financial Management and Service Planning in Practice for Councillors."

DOGIT DAY
DOGIT Day celebrations were held last week, with a large crowd turning up to enjoy the afternoon. It was a fun-filled day of activities for the kids, and the foreshore was buzzing with excitement despite the hot weather.
A big thank you goes to the Events Team and all the agencies who supported the afternoon — particularly the PCYC team, who kept the children entertained all afternoon.
Ice creams from Scoopy Snacks were definitely the focus during the afternoon! As the sun began to set, we were treated to a wonderful evening and enjoyed a fabulous meal prepared by the Napranum Takeaway Team.



WORDS FROM CEO

PUBLIC HOLIDAY 2026 APPROVAL

Council has received advice our application for public holidays in 2026 has been approved.

- Monday 8 June 2026 – Traditional Fishing Day
- Friday 17 July 2026 – Cairns Show Holiday



New build completions
The six new dwellings currently under construction are expected to be completed in the coming weeks. It will be great to see these completed as Council starts to plan the development of more new dwellings.

Surplus Vehicle Tenders
Council has released a public tender for sale of surplus fleet vehicles. Tenders have been restricted to Napranum residents only, with tenders closing 24 November 2025. For further information, contact Council.

Locality change
Council has been working with the Department of Resources to create an official locality name for the township of Napranum. Currently, community is included as part of the Mission River locality which means several government departments (and emergency services) have addresses listed as Mission River.
The proposal is to change the locality name of the community to Napranum to reduce any confusion between the township name and the locality name.
Public consultation on this proposal will commence in late November, giving community members the opportunity to have their say.

STAFF WELLBEING BREAKFAST

Connecting by the Water

Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council recently hosted a Staff Wellbeing Breakfast by the water, giving team members from across all departments the chance to come together, relax, and share a meal in a peaceful setting. The morning was a wonderful opportunity for colleagues to connect outside of the usual work environment, enjoy good food, and start the day with positive conversations.

The event was all about building relationships and strengthening teamwork across the organisation. Staff were encouraged to take time to check in with one another, share a laugh, and celebrate the important role every department plays in serving the Napranum community. Moments like these help create a supportive workplace culture where everyone feels valued and appreciated.

Council extends a big thank you to all staff who attended and contributed to making the morning such a success. Your enthusiasm and participation made the event truly special.

We look forward to seeing more friendly faces at future staff get-togethers as we continue to build a strong, connected, and positive workplace — one breakfast at a time.









CLOSING THE GAP GROUP

Closing the Gap Group Holds First Meeting with New Members

The Napranum Closing the Gap Group recently held its first official meeting with newly appointed members taking their seats at the table. The meeting marked an important step forward in continuing the group's work to strengthen community voice, participation, and collaboration across key areas of wellbeing, culture, and development.

The session was attended by the CEO, Mayor, and Councillors, who welcomed the new members and took part in discussions about the group's direction and priorities for the year ahead. Together, they reflected on the changes within the group and the shared commitment to move forward with a united approach to addressing local issues and achieving positive outcomes for the Napranum community.

Members will meet monthly to discuss community concerns, highlight emerging needs, and work collaboratively with Council to close the gap in key areas such as health, education, employment, and housing.

This first meeting set a positive tone for the months ahead, with a strong focus on teamwork, accountability, and empowering local leadership. The group's renewed energy and commitment promise continued progress toward achieving better outcomes for all in Napranum.

Congratulations to our new members on their recent appointment

- **Steven Hall**
- **Maryanne Coconut**
- **Moira Bosen**
- **Kakie Hausia**
- **Arthur Mairu**
- **Paula Ludwick**
- **Irene York**
- **Shaniqua Burke**
- **Allison Kepa**
- **Jennifer Motton-Sigai**



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



What is your name and/or nickname?
Ross/Uncle or Old man (out of respect the people of West Arnhem Land would call me that)

Where do you call home?
Where I am - Napranum

How long have you been with Council?
8 months (Weipa for 2.5 years)

What do you do for Council?
Director of Family & Human Services

What inspired you to join the team here?
My desire to help make a difference to Council and Community

How do you overcome challenges in your work?
I choose not to stress, you will never hear me raise my voice. I communicate well.

What do you like to do outside of work time?
I like to walk and take in nature

What is your favourite food and why?
Pork Roast with crackle & apple sauce

What is the best piece of advice you have been given?
Don't wait for your ship to come in, swim out to meet it

If you were stranded on a deserted Island what three things would you want to have with you?
1. My wife 2. Music 3. Faith

What would you like to be known/remembered for?
I leave that for each person to decide for themselves how I am remembered but I do hope to have made a valuable contribution to Council and Community.

CELEBRATING SUCCESSFUL GRANT-FUNDED PROJECTS IN NAPRANUM

COMMUNITY NEWS UPDATE

Celebrating Successful Grant-Funded Projects Across Napranum
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council is proud to share some of the recent projects that have been successfully delivered through grant funding.
These achievements not only highlight the great outcomes of collaborative partnerships but also allow us to acknowledge the funding bodies that continue to support positive change in our community.

C&K Capital Works Funding – NECC Upgrade
Project Title: Napranum Early Childhood Centre (NECC) Capital Works Upgrade
Funding Partner: C&K Capital Works Upgrade Funding Program
Project Period: October 2024 – September 2025
Completion Date: 18 September 2025
The Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council successfully applied for Capital Works Funding through the C&K Capital Works Upgrade Program to carry out much-needed improvements at the Napranum Early Childhood Centre.
This project was successfully completed in September 2025, just in time for the summer season. Council also provided a co-contribution to support this important upgrade.
The improvements have enhanced the learning environment for our children, providing a safer, more comfortable, and engaging space for early education in Napranum.
Council extends a warm thank you to C&K Brisbane for their ongoing partnership and commitment to improving early childhood education outcomes in our community.

Special thanks to all NECC staff, Council teams, and external contractors whose efforts helped deliver this project successfully for the children of Napranum.






Get Ready Queensland Event – 18 October 2025
Funding Partner: Get Ready Queensland (Department of Environment and Science)
Funding Period: 2024/25 – 2025/26 Financial Years
Council is also proud to acknowledge Get Ready Queensland Funding, which has supported the planning and delivery of our Get Ready Queensland Community Event held on 18 October 2025.
This initiative focuses on preparing the community for emergency situations, encouraging households to plan ahead and stay informed throughout the storm and cyclone season.
The continued support from Get Ready Queensland helps Council deliver important safety education and resilience-building programs that strengthen Napranum's readiness for natural disasters.

Council acknowledges and appreciates the partnership with Get Ready Queensland for their valuable contribution toward community preparedness and resilience.



COMMUNITY EVENTS







Get Ready event a SPLASH!

On Saturday 18th October, the foreshore at Napranum buzzed with activity as we enjoyed ice cream and burgers while learning how to be ready for severe weather.

The crew from Rio Tinto Emergency Services had their fire truck on-site and gave the kids a thrilling, hands-on demo of the fire hose — their smiles said it all!

A heartfelt thanks to Rio Tinto Emergency Services, Scoopy Snacks, Get Ready QLD and everyone who helped make the day happen!















COMMUNITY EVENTS

GET READY EVENT

The Get Ready Queensland initiative aims to help communities prepare for the upcoming wet season by raising awareness about natural disasters and promoting simple steps everyone can take to stay safe. Events like this encourage families to think ahead — from having emergency plans and supplies ready to understanding local risks such as cyclones, flooding, and storms. By taking action now, we can strengthen community resilience and ensure Napranum is ready to respond and recover together when severe weather strikes.

This event also serves as an important reminder that preparedness is everyone's responsibility. Whether it's checking your emergency kit, updating contact information, clearing yards of debris, or talking with family about what to do if a cyclone warning is issued — every small action can make a big difference when the weather turns. The day provided a relaxed, family-friendly space to learn about safety, share experiences, and connect with local emergency services who play a key role in keeping our community safe.

Through these shared efforts, Napranum continues to build a culture of readiness and care, where everyone looks out for one another. The community's participation and enthusiasm show that by staying informed and working together, we can reduce risks and recover faster when challenges arise.







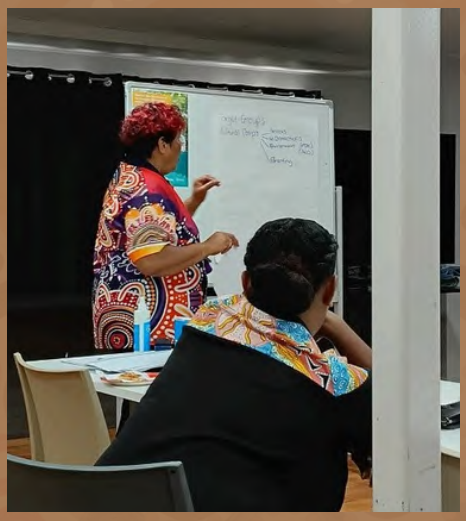








COMMUNITY EVENTS



Women's Planning Session

We gathered for our women-focused planning session, bringing together a diverse group of participants to reflect, connect, and chart a path forward for women in our community. The session was framed around identifying key needs, priorities, barriers, challenges, accessibility, and inclusion — all with an eye on planning for a stronger and more supportive future.

There was lively and passionate discussion throughout the room, with women sharing their stories, experiences, and ideas on how to create meaningful change. The energy was inspiring, with everyone united by a common goal of improving opportunities, promoting equality, and building a more inclusive community where every woman feels heard and valued.



Participants explored a range of topics, including pathways to employment, wellbeing and safety, access to services, and the importance of cultural connection and leadership. The group also reflected on the strength of women working together — highlighting how collaboration and shared vision can lead to real, lasting outcomes.

The feedback and insights gathered during the session will help guide future projects, programs, and initiatives that support women and families in Napranum. These conversations are an important step in shaping strategies that reflect our community's voices and priorities.
Stay tuned for more updates as we plan with purpose, step into our priorities, and continue creating the future we want — together.



INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE CENTRE

“A library of influence, inspiring and connecting people through knowledge, storytelling and creativity”







Digital Drone Training at Western Cape College

Western Cape College recently hosted an exciting Digital Drone Training session for Year 10 students, offering them a hands-on introduction to drone technology and its growing role in modern industries.

The workshop gave students the chance to learn key skills in drone operation, safety, and digital mapping. It was wonderful to see the Napranum students fully engaged and enthusiastic throughout the entire session — eager to learn, participate, and explore new technologies.

Tam from the Napranum Indigenous Knowledge Centre (IKC) was also present to support the students during the training, helping them feel comfortable and confident in the classroom environment. Their strong participation reflected the value of bringing culturally familiar mentors into learning spaces and demonstrated the importance of connecting education with community support.

The day also sparked interest in future learning opportunities, with several students expressing curiosity about how drones are used in environmental management and community projects. Plans are already underway to bring similar training sessions to Napranum later this year, ensuring more local students can take part. These partnerships continue to strengthen relationships between the school, the IKC, and the community.

Moving forward, the IKC hopes to expand these digital programs to include more advanced drone demonstrations and interactive learning opportunities with technology experts. By exposing students to modern tools and digital skills, we are helping to inspire the next generation of innovators, Rangers, and community leaders. The success of this training highlights the positive impact that collaboration, curiosity, and community engagement can have in shaping meaningful learning experiences.

This initiative continues to build pathways for local students into digital careers and technology-based learning, showing that opportunities in innovation are within reach for our young people.







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The session also provided students with valuable insight into how drones are being used in environmental monitoring and land management.

Tam shared that the Napranum students were particularly engaged throughout the workshop, noting that more opportunities to connect and collaborate with them at WCC would be beneficial. This feedback highlights the importance of maintaining a strong presence and building relationships with our young people in school settings. Rather than focusing solely on the technical side of drone operation, this session aimed to show that working with drones can be an exciting and fun part of becoming a Ranger. The approach proved successful, sparking curiosity and enthusiasm among students.

The IKC team plans to host another Drone Training session in community later this year, where KJR, a leading tech company, will showcase their high-level drone technology.
Community members who have family interested in drone technology or Ranger work are encouraged to visit or contact Tam at the IKC for more information. This initiative opens up great future opportunities — including the potential for trained participants to assist with drone filming at Council events in Napranum.















WESTERN CAPE COLLEGE

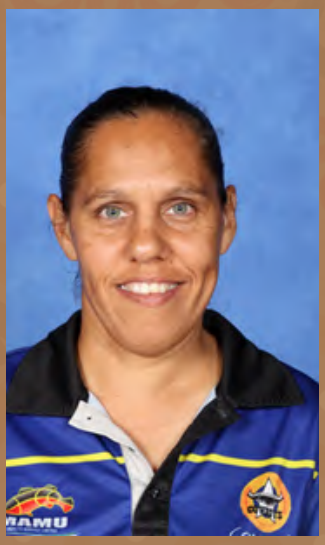
Welcome to Term 4!

We're gearing up for an exciting and busy term ahead! Starting from Week 4, swimming lessons will kick off, leading up to our much-anticipated swimming carnival.

Don't forget about our TRY for 5! prizes, which will be up for grabs at the end of the term. Make sure you come every day to be in the running for the major prizes!

In Weeks 3 and 6, get ready for our Individual Challenge Weeks as part of TRY for 5! Attend every day during those weeks and you could win a Cowboys training shirt — a prize no fan will want to miss!





I'll also be out in the community doing home visits on Monday and Wednesday afternoons and attending PCYC. Plus, join me for Breakfast Club on Friday mornings at PCYC — it's a great way to start the day!

If you need any support or have questions, feel free to reach out to me at 0418 132 618.
Looking forward to seeing you all soon and making Term 4 a fantastic one!

Stay Connected with Our School Newsletter
Our Schoolzine eNewsletter is the best way to stay up to date with what's happening across Western Cape College — from Prep to Year 12.

Each edition features highlights from classrooms and campuses, student achievements, upcoming events, community news, and important updates from the College. It's a great way for parents, carers, and community members to stay informed and celebrate the success of our students.

You can access the latest issue anytime through the link below or by visiting our Facebook page for regular updates and announcements.

https://westerncapec.schoolzineplus.com/enews?nid=27





WESTERN CAPE COLLEGE

Message from College Principal - Mr Tonon



I would like to officially welcome Mr Jarrod Prakelt, Associate Principal Secondary, to our College. Mr Prakelt has moved to Weipa with his family and is already making a positive impact around the College. At the same time, we have welcomed our new Secondary Guidance Officer, Melany Molenaar who is also already heavily embedded into our student cohort providing daily assistance where required.

As a full Executive Leadership Team, we are focused on providing a strong welcome to our 2026 Teacher Cohort who will be travelling to our College in November as part of the Remote Ready Program. This will enable all our new teachers to familiarise themselves with Weipa, our campuses, current staff, our Community and Culture prior to arriving ready for commencement in Term 1, 2026.

At the end of Term 3, a substantial portion of our teaching and support staff undertook valuable Professional Development in:

Berry Street Education Model providing our educators with the understanding of the benefits of trauma-informed teaching on child development and ability to learn. For the first time, our Teacher Aides participated in an Education Support Staff workshop equipping them with practical strategies to develop students' independent learning skills in a classroom setting; and

Love Bites - various teachers including our PE Teachers and Guidance Officers participated in these respectful relationships programs which will be rolled out as part of our student curriculum in 2026. One of the focuses for the remainder of the year is to conduct a full review of our Student Code of Conduct including consultation sessions with staff, students, parents and community. Please ensure you stay up to date with our Facebook page for further information. We value your feedback look forward to everyone engaging in this process.

Dan Tonon
College Principal



Message from Associate Principal – Secondary

I'm excited to introduce myself as the new Secondary Principal at Western Cape College. My family and I made the move to Weipa over the recent holidays, and we've already felt incredibly welcomed by the school and wider community.

It's a real privilege to be joining WCC, and I'm looking forward to getting to know the students, staff, and families over the coming weeks. Term 4 is always a busy and exciting time, and we have hit the ground running with a range of important events ahead of us – including subject information sessions, SET Planning, academic awards, student celebrations, Formal, and of course, Graduation.

I'm truly grateful for the warm welcome I've received and am enthusiastic about being part of such a dynamic and supportive school. I'm looking forward to working alongside you all as we finish the year on a high.

Kind regards
Jarrod Prakelt
Associate Principal – Secondary

WHAT'S HAPS IN NAPS



On November 19, International Men's Day celebrates the positive value men bring to the world, their families, and communities. It's a time to highlight positive role models and raise awareness of men's well-being. The theme for 2025 is "Celebrating Men and Boys."

We will be holding our International Men's Day event on November 19th at the Napranum Community Hall, and all men are welcome to attend. The day will include:

- Awards recognising the good work happening in the community (keep an eye out for the nomination forms!)
- Guest speakers sharing their journeys and experiences in different fields
- Presentations on important health risks for men to be aware of
- Lunch and health promotions

This will be a great opportunity to connect, learn, and celebrate the contributions of our local men. Let's come together to support one another and continue building strong, healthy, and positive communities.

Healthy Animals, Healthy Community — Vet Visit

Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council is proud to announce an upcoming Community Vet Visit on 26th November. The visit will focus on promoting healthy animals and responsible pet ownership, with a strong message to encourage de-sexing as part of keeping our community and pets safe, happy, and healthy.

During the visit, community members will have the opportunity to speak with qualified veterinary staff about their pets' health and wellbeing. Services will include general health checks, de-sexing advice, and information on responsible animal care. It's a great chance to learn more about how small steps — like vaccination and regular feeding — make a big difference in the lives of our furry friends.

The Council encourages all pet owners to take advantage of this upcoming service and be part of a shared effort to care for the animals that are part of our Napranum family.

For more information or to register your pet, please contact Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council or visit the Animal Management team before the visit date.



WHAT'S HAPS IN NAPS



Cyclone Clean-Up – Be Prepared, Stay Safe

As the wet season approaches, Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council is encouraging all residents to take part in the upcoming Cyclone Clean-Up on November 3rd.

This important initiative helps reduce potential hazards and ensures our community is ready for severe weather events.

The Council team will be assisting with the collection of items and is available to answer any questions about what can be included. Taking action now is a simple but powerful way to keep our families, neighbours, and community safe when storms approach.

To register or arrange assistance, please contact Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council on (07) 4090 5600 or email reception@napranum.qld.gov.au.

Let's work together to stay safe, stay ready, and protect our community this cyclone season.

Council Wants to Hear from You – Environmental Health in Focus

Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council, in partnership with the Public Health Unit in Cairns, will be visiting the community in December to talk about environmental health and gather input from residents.

This visit aims to identify local priorities and develop a community-based Environmental Health Plan that supports a healthier and safer Napranum.

The team will be yarning with community members to understand their experiences, concerns, and ideas for improvement in areas such as safe drinking water, healthy housing, waste management, pest control, animal management, and disaster preparedness. Council is inviting all residents to come along and have their say during the first week of December.

By working together, we can build a strong, healthy, and resilient community where every household has access to clean water, safe food, and hygienic living environments. Your input will help shape future programs and services that make a real difference in the daily lives of Napranum families.



WHAT'S HAPS IN NAPS



Community Vehicle Tender Now Open

Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council is inviting local residents to take part in a Community Tender for vehicles that are now surplus to requirements. This is a great opportunity for community members to purchase reliable second-hand vehicles that have been part of Council's fleet.

Available vehicles include a RAV4, two Nissan X-Trails, Great Wall Ute, two Toyota Hilux Utes, a 75 Series Landcruiser, and an Isuzu Truck.

The tender opens 3rd November and closes 24th November, with details available from the Council office. Don't miss this chance to secure a well-maintained vehicle and support local ownership in Napranum.

This community-first approach aims to provide fair access to quality vehicles while supporting local ownership and sustainability.

For more information, contact Council Reception on (07) 4090 5600 or reception@napranum.qld.gov.au.

Splashpark Closure for Maintenance

Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council wishes to inform the community that the Splashpark will be temporarily closed from 16th November to 25th November for major maintenance works.

The maintenance will be carried out by Kirratech to ensure all systems are operating safely and efficiently ahead of the busy summer period. The work will include important upgrades and checks to improve the safety, reliability, and enjoyment of the Splashpark for all community members.

Council appreciates the community's patience and understanding during this time and understands that the Splashpark is a popular spot for families, especially as the weather warms up, and appreciates the community's patience and understanding while these essential improvements are completed.

Regular updates will be provided once maintenance is complete and the Splashpark is ready to reopen.

For more information, please contact Council Reception on (07) 4090 5600.



NAPRANUM PCYC







Amazing Race Event

In October, Napranum PCYC hosted an Amazing Race Event to celebrate 'Children's Week' an annual celebration that highlights the rights, achievements, and needs of children. It was a great opportunity for all who attended to run through a series of challenges and have fun with their friends.

Clontarf Foundation, STARS Foundation, Western Cape College, Weipa Community Care and Weipa Child Safety all turned out to support the event and Scoopy Snacks was at the finish line, with delicious icecreams for all contenders.









NAPRANUM PCYC





Breakfast Club at Napranum PCYC
The best way to start your day!

Our 12 seater bus departs PCYC each school day morning at 6.30am and makes its way around the Napranum community to collect students.

They are then transported to PCYC where they are provided with a delicious breakfast and nutritious lunch before jumping on the bus to school.





Napranum PCYC were honored to join the **DOGIT Day celebrations** at the Napranum Foreshore on the afternoon of Tuesday 28th October 2025.

The children enjoyed relay races, tug-of-war, sack races and novelty games whilst learning about the significance of this special day.





NAPRANUM PCYC

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Our wonderful Braking the Cycle/ Changing Gears Coordinator Sally McCallum has been recognised by PCYC QLD for her unwavering dedication to our driving program and participants. Between program reporting periods, Sally's commitment to the program saw an increase of 444%...absolute amazing result...best performance in the state. A special mention also to all of our wonderful volunteers who dedicate their own time to the program so that participants can complete their 100 hours of driving and successfully obtain a licence.

🚗 Need Your Licence? Changing Gears Has Got You! 🚗

If you're 16–25 and living in Napranum or Weipa, PCYC's Driving Program is here to get you on the road with confidence!
We know getting your licence isn't always easy, cars, fuel, finding a supervisor, booking lessons...it can be stressful. That's why we've got your back with awesome support

✅ Learn in our manual car
✅ Practice safely with guidance and support
✅ Assistance with PrepL (if you're just starting out)
✅ Financial help so cost won't stop you
✅ Friendly, local Volunteer Mentors to help you smash out your 100 logbook hours

👉 Whether you're brand new or nearly test-ready, we'll help you build the skills you need to drive safely and independently.
💡 Already have your licence? We'd love your help! We're looking for volunteers (especially after school hours). Just a few hours a week can make a HUGE difference to our young drivers.



Find us at PCYC Napranum, 129 Napranum Road

Come in and have a chat, available Monday–Friday at the club, or you can call or email anytime.

Getting your licence opens doors.

Let's do it together!

sally.mccallum@pcyc.org.au |

0419 224 376

Expressions of Interest
Napranum Local Community Education Board

Are you passionate about supporting the education and future of our children and young people in Napranum? Western Cape College is inviting community members to express their interest in joining the Napranum Local Community Education Board (LCEB).

The board plays an important role in strengthening the connection between the school, families, and the wider community. Members provide valuable community voices, advice, and local perspectives to help shape educational priorities and ensure that the needs of Napranum students are represented and supported.

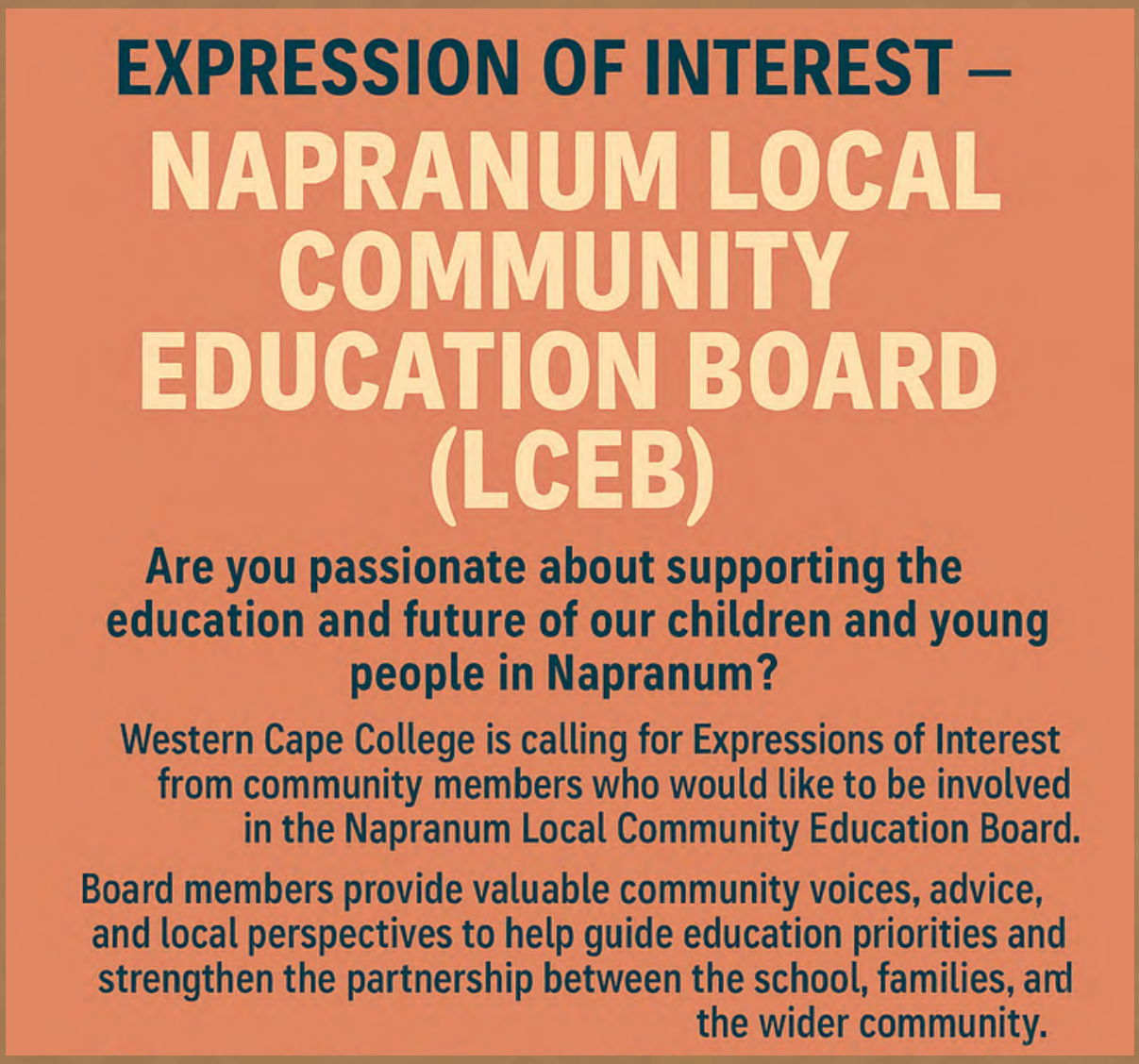
By being part of the LCEB, community members have the opportunity to make a real difference — contributing to discussions on school programs, student wellbeing, and opportunities that enhance learning outcomes for all Napranum students.

If you are committed to working together for positive educational outcomes and want to help build stronger pathways for our young people, the school would love to hear from you.
To submit your expression of interest, please provide your name and contact details to:

Ada Bowie – Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council
✉️ ada.bowie@napranum.qld.gov.au

Fran Wymarra & Vide Frieberg – Western Cape College
✉️ fwyma0@eq.edu.au | freiberv@eq.edu.au

Together, we can continue building a strong partnership that supports our students, celebrates culture, and creates a brighter future for Napranum.



LOCAL TALENT



LEON NAMAI
ARTIST



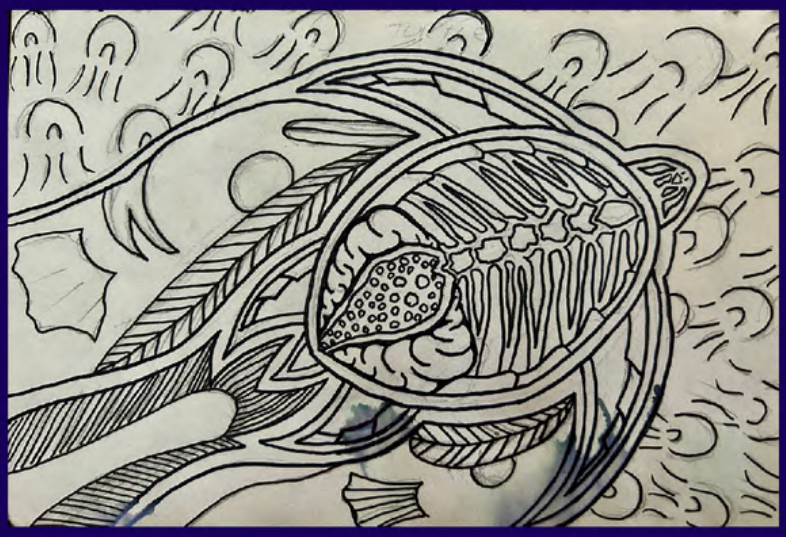
ABOUT

Introducing Leon Namai, a 39-year-old indigenous man from the Warrangu, Kaanju and Kaurareg tribes which encompasses the land and waters of the Torres Strait Islands region down to the mainland of the Cape York Peninsula area. His ancestry traces his lineage to Irish, Melanesian even Scottish descent. As a young child he portrayed a flare for artistic creations that elevated him in his classes, age group and captured the attention of those around him and continues to do so.

LMN
ARTS & MEDIA

LOCAL TALENT















SKILLS AND CULTURE

Over two decades he has been equipping himself with the skills through studying and completing courses to hone his practice to what is presented to you today. He continues to discover this gift through many different mediums which encapsulates his entire life story, upbringing, culture, trials and most importantly depicts a journey of overcoming his obstacles, learning to triumph and expressing this through his artistic creations that are inspiring.

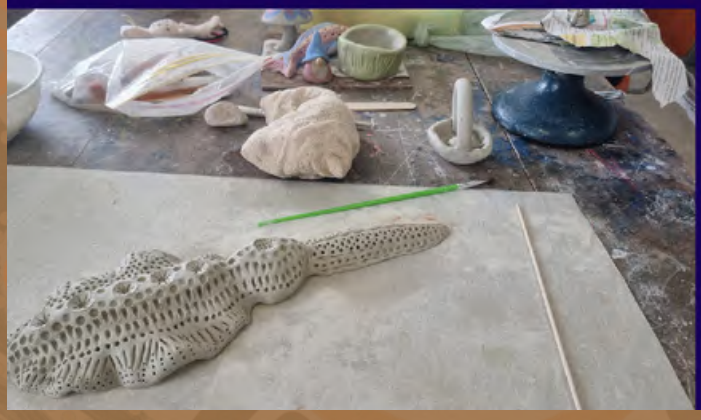
LOCAL TALENT

STUDIES AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT





The many different mediums he uses range from drawings, paintings, lino prints, screen print, textiles (including batik and tie dye), ceramics and venturing into digital media and prints, photography, videography, and is a practicing musician. Having completed a Cert IV in Aboriginal and Torres strait Islander Visual Arts in 2003 through TAFE Queensland he continued to pursue his dream of becoming a prominent figure in indigenous arts and media. In 2010 he began using, producing and applying these techniques to these mediums. Leon is currently being mentored by an established artist.







SITE-SPECIFIC INSTALLATIONS

- Leon is a skilled drone operator and has captured many ephemeral works of art that he has created on beaches throughout Australia.

Leon Namai | 0474322856| ltmr84@gmail.com | ABN: 11626603113



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For more information please contact Ernest Madua Jnr on 0482515194.

COMMUNITY MEDIATORS

Mediation can help resolve disputes in a less adversarial way. When done right, it can lead to mutually beneficial outcomes and preserve relationships.
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For more information please contact:

Twal Justice Group of Elders 0438234739



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For more information please contact Whyte Adidi:
Mobile: 0477938320
Email: ruralmmservices@gmail.com

NAPRANUM TAKEAWAY & CATERING

Craving delicious food but don't want to cook? Look no further than Napranum Takeaway & Catering, the café by the sea! They offer some great snacks and meals to help pass the time as you wait for the sunset or cool off at the waterpark.

Mon-Fri 8am - 2pm & 4pm - 7.30pm
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Sunday 10am - 6.30pm

For more information please call Angela on 0474890328

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Transform your yard with Tjithii Lawn Care and Services! Tjithii specialise in making lawns look their best. Their services include mowing, edging, weed control, and rubbish removal, all tailored to your lawn's specific needs. Their team of experienced and dedicated professionals use top-of-the-line equipment and products to ensure your lawn is not only beautiful but also healthy.

For more information please email
margie@tjithiilawncare.com.au or call 0499356879

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KJB Cleaning Service is a proudly local business providing reliable, high-quality cleaning solutions across Napranum, Weipa, and surrounding areas. Whether it's residential, commercial, or office spaces, we take pride in delivering thorough and professional results every time. With attention to detail, flexible scheduling, and a commitment to excellence, KJB Cleaning Service ensures your space is left spotless and refreshed. For friendly service you can trust, contact Krystle Booth today and let KJB Cleaning take care of the mess — so you can focus on what matters most!
Phone: 0497 754 169 | Email: krystlebooth867@gmail.com

COMMUNITY INFO

HOUSING

Address:
320 Wa Tyne Street
Napranum Qld 4874

Email:
FNHHWeipaHub@housing.qld.gov.au
Phone:

- **4036 5555**
- **1800 325 111 (toll free within area)**
- **07 4082 4702 (if office is unattended)**
- **1300 650 910 (maintenance enquiries)**
- **1800 808 107 (emergency maintenance after hours)**

Fax:

- **07 4036 5575**

Opening hours

- **Please contact 07 4036 5555 to make an appointment.**



Napranum Office will be open bi-weekly (every second week)

Opening hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri (half day)

8.30am - 4.30pm
(2pm - 4pm home visits)

Church service: Every Sunday 10am - 12pm lunch provided
Prayer meeting: Every Saturday 6am-7am
Combined Service:
Sunday 25th August 5pm

Fore more info pls contact
Rev Tevita Niurua



Tjithii Lawn Care & Services

For all your gardening services please contact Margie and Jason. Support your local business owners!

Ph: 0499356879
Email: margie@tjithiilawncare



Napranum Takeaway & Catering

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10am - 6.30pm



RG Wigness Contracting

Garden Maintence and Fencing services available. Support your local business and get in touch with Robert Wigness. Details below

Ph: 0473020135



E:robertwigness48@gmail.com

APOSTOLIC JESUS NAME FELLOWSHIP

Church Services
Mens Tarry: Weds 7pm
Womens Ministry: Friday's 5.30pm
Childrens Ministry: Sunday mornings 9am
Sunday Morning Church Service: 10.30am

For more information please contact:
Pastor Egito Mairu: 0458330179



Charkil Om Primary Health Care Centre (Apunipima)
Phone: 07 4037 7390
Opening Hours
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Friday 8.30am- 12pm