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Wirrpanda Welcomed in Warmun

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David Wirrpanda celebrated with residents returning home to a small East Kimberley community that was flooded and evacuated three months ago.

Eighty-five homes were destroyed in Warmun when floods swept through in March and community buildings, including their famous art centre were damaged.

The Warmun Re-Establishment Taskforce has built 17 new

homes, fully refurbished another eight and built a temporary accommodation facility to house 200 people.

Residents were presented with a sea container of blankets, toys, shoes and warm clothes donated through the David Wirrpanda Foundation who teamed up with the Department of Housing and several other companies.

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Wirra Club Onslow

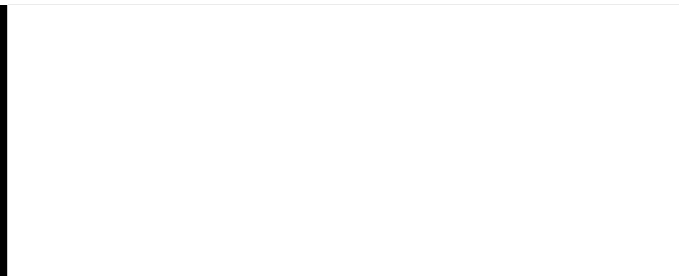
DWF role models embarked on our annual visit to the Onslow School for three days of reward activities with the students. The Wirra Club specifically addresses the issues of school attendance and behaviour and is delivered as a reward for improvement and maintaining high levels in both areas. We believe improvements in these areas and continued mentoring does have a flow on effect in reducing the incidence of contact with the police for the benefit of the whole community.



Keeping a positive outlook, promoting healthy active lifestyle through sport and healthy food intake and providing options for making positive life choices are all areas reinforced by the role models and each brings something unique to offer to the students.

Students enjoyed participating in football, netball, basketball, leadership, music and art activities. This year we were joined by students from the Waldorf School who immersed themselves in with the Onslow children and delivered art and music classes as part of their community service and cultural emersion tour of WA.

It was once again an amazing experience for both mentors and students.



Plan 2day 4 2morrow

On the 1st of July, The Wirrpanda Foundation celebrated the graduation of the P242 Solid Futures Program students. The Solid Futures Program is a joint venture between the Central Institute of Technology and the David Wirrpanda Foundation; it aims to support Indigenous people through training and employment.



Certificates in Business and Resources and Infrastructure were awarded to the 31 Solid Futures graduates. Over 50% of the Solid Futures graduates have already secured employment, which is an outstanding result.

Solid Ground is a feeder course into the Solid Futures program. It includes well-being workshops, one on one mentoring and job search training and skills. It is funded by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

The new semester of P242 has now commenced.

“The Solid Futures course is all about generating confidence, self esteem and providing opportunity and the graduates here are a credit to their people, their culture and themselves.” Troy Cook

City to Surf

The David Wirrpanda Foundation is taking part in the Chevron City to Surf. Please show your support by competing in this event or donating.



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Dare To Dream Foundation Dinner 2011

Date: 3rd November 2011
Time: 7pm
Location: Frasers Restaurant,
Kings Park
Dress: Black tie



For any information regarding purchase of tickets and donation of auction items please email us.

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New Location

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Foundation's new location!

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