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# The Mulla Mulla

Term 4, 2023

KARRATHA PRIMARY CLONTARF ACADEMY

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## Wayiba!

Reuben Cranny

Welcome to the final Mulla Mulla for 2023. In what has been another action-packed year filled with personal growth, learning and new experiences for the 69 young men involved in the program.

The boys have once again immersed themselves in a plethora of activities that aim to build resilience, friendship and lifelong skills that will equip them to fulfil their goals and aspirations moving into high school and beyond. From Awards Night, Graduations, Presentation Nights and High School Transition, to then attending over 25 morning and afternoon sessions in-between, it has been another busy term!

It is an exciting and nervous time in the academy in Term 4, with several of our inaugural members leaving to High School next year. Each boy that is transitioning this year has represented themselves and the Clontarf Foundation exceptionally and should be proud of their perseverance to get this far. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours as they fulfil the next big step in their lives.

On a sad note, the Karratha Primary Clontarf Academy will also wish farewell to two of our staff members in 2024. Rob Thompson and Caleb Conder are both leaving the Karratha Primary space onto exciting new adventures. All would agree that these two have added an immense amount to The Clontarf Foundation and the lives of the boys involved have benefitted massively. I wish Rob and Caleb all the best in their new journeys and sincerely thank them for their efforts and friendship over the years.

**About the academy:** The Karratha Primary Clontarf Academy was founded in 2021 and operates out of Baynton West, Peg's Creek and Tambrey Primary Schools. It caters for students in Years 4 to 6 and currently has 69 boys engaged in the program going at 82% attendance,

**About the Foundation:** The Clontarf Foundation exists to improve the education, discipline, life skills, self-esteem and employment prospects of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and by doing so equips them to participate meaningfully in society.

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Finally, thank you to all of you who have been involved with the Karratha Primary Clontarf Academy this year. We would like to wish you a safe and happy holiday season and look forward to seeing you again in the new year.

# F35 Fighter Visit

Greg Townsend

When you speak about a once in a lifetime opportunity, this was it! Our boys were recently invited by the ADF Pilbara Regiment to attend the Karratha Airport to view the F35 Joint Strike Fighter Aircraft who were refuelling after doing a fly over the district. It was a big thrill to be up close and personal with these insanely expensive fighter jets.

Students from the Tambrey Primary School and Peg's Creek Primary School were allowed on the tarmac to talk with the brave RAAF pilots who get to fly these magnificent planes. The boys also got to witness the jets take off booming back to their base in the Northern Territory. To say this was an epic event for the boys was an understatement!

I would like to thank Major Mick Lange and the Pilbara Regiment for their continuing support of the Primary Academy and for providing such wonderful experiences for the boys. We hope this relationship lasts well into the future.



# A night to Celebrate!

Caleb Conder

On Thursday November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Karratha Primary Academy had the privilege of presenting the awards night to our families, school staff, partners and of course our boys. The Awards Night is our biggest event for the year as we get to celebrate the year that was and acknowledge the boys who really stood out. The three Clontarf staff at each school can present three awards which are Leadership, Education and Clontarf Spirit. We also present the Academy Member of the Year Award to the boy we think has gone above and beyond in his schoolwork and Clontarf engagement.

The turnout was unbelievable, and we cannot thank everyone enough for their support for these amazing young boys. We were also extremely grateful to have Kingfisher provide the food for us to enjoy after the awards ceremony. Kingfisher really enjoy supporting our program and we look forward to strengthening our relationship next year and beyond.

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## Peg's Creek PS

Leadership – Ethan Cook  
Education – Jobe Cheedy  
Clontarf Spirit – Treziem Bin Rashid

## Tambrey PS

Leadership – Zakai Marshall  
Education Award – James Harris-Pickett  
Clontarf Spirit – Rodney Dodd

## Baynton West PS

Leadership – LJ Humes  
Education – Mario Saylor-Ketchell  
Clontarf Spirit – Woewodin Minga

## Academy Member of the Year

Cruze Hill





## THE STATS

- 82% attendance for the Karratha Primary Clontarf Academy in Term 3
- 69 Boys enrolled in the program
- 23 boys attending 90% or higher in Term 3
- Over 2100 interactions with Clontarf Boys through morning training, after school activities, contact time etc.

