

Nyangatjatjara College

Docker River Campus

Junior Secondary

Sixteen years ago I came to Kaltukatjara for the first time. Came for twelve months, stayed for five years. How I enjoyed every minute of my time here teaching students and learning from the families and community about this unique culture of the Anangu people.

It is good to be back! Great to have Rosina, Brett and Priscilla at Secondary School working with Matilda, roving relief teachers and myself. The AEWs have demonstrated passion and



commitment to their work while assisting in settling the students into daily routines for productive learning.



Moments of sadness felt by me upon learning of the Passing On of family members I had befriended and worked with from the past and whom many have been a mentor to me in this community. Vale Anangu! Funerals are always a sad time for family and friends, so it is always a difficult time for our school to retain student numbers.

Commencement of Term for Junior Secondary students saw student numbers climb to twenty. Many thanks to Ray for his efforts in preparing the students in 2015 for the Transition to Secondary School this year. The students have settled in well this year. I would have taught some of their parents and it is a pleasure to teach their child/ren in 2016.

In February both Junior and Senior Secondary students travelled to Warakurna to participate in a swimming activity which the students enjoyed very much, but got too cold for them in the end and they opted to stand outside in the sun. Hello, it was hot!!! Thanks to David Harvey for looking after us. On the Warakurna Road David is now known as "Next 100 Metres". Thanks David. :)



Congratulations to Terry and Rosina for organising a trip for our Secondary Girls Students to our Sister School in Queensland where a wonderful time was had by everyone. Special mention goes to the students for displaying excellent behaviour, showing manners and courtesy towards our hosts and the community in general. For them to participate in a wonderful exchange program and receive favourable compliments from their hosts and the community goes to show the hard work they have put in at school through Respect, Participation and Getting Along with everyone.

- Samuel Sailor, Teacher Junior Secondary

