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Pormpuraaw Police Officers Shae & Mitch had a great awareness session with our Long Day Care kids last week. LDC Coordinator Joyce Fourmile said the kids had a ball and were looking forward to their next visit!



Funding boost for support services

One-off funding of nearly \$50,000 has been made available to Pormpur Paanthu Aboriginal Corporation between now and the end of this year to enhance our capacity to support people impacted by domestic and family violence.

In April this year the Palaszczuk Government announced they would take "urgent action" with a multi-million-dollar funding injection to help manage an anticipated increase in demand for services arising from the Covid-19 pandemic in the Domestic and Family Violence Funding Area.

Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women Di

Farmer (pictured right) said many organisations were experiencing a "tough time".

"Many organisations are already experiencing demand increases in the face of Covid-19 and having to fundamentally change the way they work," she said in a letter to PPAC.



"This funding package will help Queensland Government funded domestic and family violence, sexual violence and women's health and wellbeing support services to address demand over the next six months. and enable us to continue to raise awareness of the help and support services available for Queenslanders experiencing domestic and family violence."

CEO Ganthi Kuppusamy said news of the extra support was very welcome, as was the news (left) of another three year funding extension.

"Thank you to the Minister and her Department for continuing to assist us in this important work," she said.

"Our Women's Shelter and Healing Centre still will be sure to make good use of this extra help at this time."

Congratulations Pormpuraaw

Pormpur Paanthu Aboriginal Corporations programs for substance misuse and social and emotional well-being have been extended for another three years.

This is a joint decision negotiated by Pormpuraaw community members and the National Indigenous Australians Agency. Pama Futures provides Cape York communities with the opportunity to negotiate grants funded by the Indigenous Advancement Strategy.





This time YOU could win a

Microwave!





Tickets on sale now for \$1 from PPAC Admin Office!

A lucky number will be drawn at the end of this week by our CEQ Store Manager and the winner will be



announced in the next *PPAC News Week.* The money we raise will be used to buy snacks and nappies for our LDC children.

Who to call and when...

If the situation is serious and urgent call our local Police on **4060 4004** or **000**.

Community members can remain anonymous when reporting illicit activity by calling the 'sly grog' hotline on **1800 500 815**.

To report other crime anonymously call Crime Stoppers on **1800 333 000**.

For non-urgent incidents, crimes or police inquiries call Police Link on **131 444**.

Find the words highlighted below and use the leftover letters to form a hidden message:

Everyone can CHANGE and PREVENT domestic and FAMILY violence in the Pormpuraaw COMMUNITY.

HELP each other to communicate in a good way without AGGRESSION. Show RESPECT for others and ROLE MODEL healthy relationships. When a CHILD sees adults GROWL they feel FEAR and HELPLESS and this can MEAN long term PAIN and TRAUMA.

HOME needs to be a safe place for kids and PARTNERS where the people they love do not put them in DANGER.

Everyone is ACCOUNTABLE for their own behaviour and placing BLAME and GUILT onto others will not help anyone ESCAPE the domestic violence CYCLE.

Love is not BRUISES and being SAD.

Choose to STOP

Help others who are trying to SURVIVE ABUSE to seek SHELTER.

Everyone has the POWER to change.

With thanks to Trischa Jackson

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Hidden message:

Pormpur Paanthu Aboriginal Corporation: current situation under Covid-19

Women's Shelter

Supported Crisis accommodation is still being delivered. Centre-based support (case management) limited to 20 people or less. Women's Group activities limited to 10 people or less.

Stop the spread of germs Wash your hands with soap and water our health in our hands

Healing Centre

Counselling continues to be delivered face to face from the Healing Centre. Telephone counselling is also being offered to clients. DV prevention month is progressing well with social distancing.

Family Wellbeing

FWB service continues to provide face to face support in the office.

FWB continue to provide home visits (maintaining recommended social distancing requirements) to families which cannot travel to the service.

Men's Support

All Men's Support group activates and Men's Group meetings are limited to 20 people or less.

Night Patrol is still operating, however, transport will only provided for clients being transported to the Women's Shelter.

Youth Centre

Open for students to do online studies (for educational purposes only).

Playgroup

Playgroup is allowed for a group of 20 people or less, including children and parents.

Early Childhood (Long Day Care & Outside School Hours Care)

The Australian Government's Department of Education, Skills & Employment has advised all Early Childhood Education and Care services are to remain open during Covid-19.

Services are required to:

- stay open unless closed on public health advice or for other health and safety reasons
- ensure families are not charged a fee, including an out of pocket or gap* fee
- prioritise care to essential workers, vulnerable and disadvantaged children and previously enrolled children
- continue to record attendance of children
- comply with all other provider obligations including National Quality Framework and other relevant conditions of approval under Family Assistance Law.

If families have ceased their enrolment they should re-enrol so they can keep their Child Care Subsidy (CCS) eligibility and subsidies will flow as usual.

ALL WORK AND WALK TOGETHER ON ONE PATH OF HEALING, LEARNING, CARING AND SHARING, CREATING A SAFER ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY