

# PPAC recognised in Queensland's first DFV Prevention Honour Roll

**PPAC is excited and very proud to have made the State Government's first Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Honours Roll, CEO Ganthi Kuppusamy says.**

"All our staff work so hard at what they do, this is great news and well-deserved recognition for all of us," she said.

The Honour Roll is about celebrating community organisations who raise awareness and work to change attitudes in their community.



*Myrtle Foote & May Ballie signing off on some final paperwork around the Maantchangk Women's Shelter in August last year*

Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence Di Farmer said it was important to recognise people and organisations who were taking steps to end domestic and family violence.

"The Honour Roll is about shining a light on good deeds, and thanking those taking real steps to ending domestic and family violence," she said.

**For more information see: <https://www.csyw.qld.gov.au/campaign/not-now-not-ever-together/dfv-prevention-honour-roll>**

She said recipients would receive a signed certificate and be featured online.

Ms Kuppusamy said PPAC's entry on the Roll included recognition of PPAC founders Myrtle Foote and May Ballie.

"PPAC was founded in the early 1990s by Myrtle and May, who are both still active members of our organisation today," she said.

"It's wonderful to see their story, which is our story, online and recognised in this way, we are all grateful for their vision and hard work over the past nearly 30 years."

The Honour Roll dedication reads, in part:

**Pormpur Paanthu had a vision back in 1991 that has grown in scope and programs, but the purpose has remained the same – to prevent and assist women and children who are subject to domestic and family violence in the Pormpuraaw community – and in doing so, Pormpur Paanthu has assisted more than 1000 women and children since 1991.**

## OSHC passes Audit



**PPAC's Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) has been given their post-audit nod in record time, with the arrival of several letters and official documentation earlier this week.**

The end result is the OSHC has been officially approved to provide regulated care to help meet Pormpuraaw children's education and developmental needs.

CEO Ganthi Kuppusamy said it meant their ongoing work was operating to the highest possible standards.

"This ticks all the boxes," she said.

"It means our building and our staff have formal approval to care for our children over pre-school age after school and during school holidays.

"We have the right educator to child ratios and a safe environment for our children.

"It also means our staff have passed the required tests to make us qualify for the Child Care Subsidy, which is good news for families."

# Staff News Staff News Staff News

Flo Cornish from ITEC was in Pormpuraaw last week to catch up with ITEC NDIS participants and PPAC staff.

ITEC coordinate a wide range of services for clients with an NDIS plan to live the life they want with help and support in lots of different ways.

PPAC provide on-the-ground support in and around the home and community, and can help participants with advocacy, administration and transport.

Flo will be back in November with an Occupational Therapist (OT).



**If you know of anyone with a disability who could benefit from this service, please contact PPAC.**

**Hello everyone, my name is Yvette Carter and I am a Clinical Counsellor.**

I have been a Counsellor for around 40 years.

In this time, I have worked around Australia and in Africa.

My family and I have lived in Weipa for 15 years.

We enjoy fishing, camping and being together as a family.

I arrived in Pormpuraaw a week ago to help out as a Clinical Counsellor with PPAC. Everyone has been so helpful and welcoming.

Thank you to one and all.

I look forward to getting to know you.



## PPAC PLAYGROUP

### Monday:

10am-Midday: Corner Shed

### Wednesday:

10am-Midday: School [join us afterwards for light snacks @ Corner Shed]

### Friday:

10am-Midday: Maantchangk Women's Shelter and/or down at the beach

Playgroups can be attended by mothers, fathers, grandparents, nannies or other carers and the babies, toddlers and preschool aged children in their care - it is important for parents and carers

to engage with their child's learning and development.



If you need transport contact Sandra on 4060401.

## 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**.

## PPAC Contacts

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| CEO's Office  | Outside School |
| 4060 4211     | Hours Care     |
| Healing       | 4060 4001      |
| Services      | Women's        |
| 4060 4260     | Shelter Admin  |
| Long Day Care | Office         |
| 4060 4165     | 4060 4082      |



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