Dear Parents, Carers and Grandparents,

What a wonderful event our “Gray School Extravaganza” was last Thursday night. Thank you to all the families who came to celebrate the giving out of awards and the class performances. We are keen to receive feedback from parents and carers so that we can improve on this night for next year. If you would like to tell us what you liked about the evening and what we could improve on for next year we will welcome your comments. You can do this by coming into the office and letting the office staff know, ringing up and letting the office staff know or emailing us—admin.graysch@ntschools.net

This week and next week students will be enjoying class parties and end of year reward excursions. Unfortunately a few children have not earned their end of year excursion and will not be participating. In those cases the class teacher will be ringing the parents to let you know. The student will then be placed in another class for the day.

Last week we had a scooter stolen from the scooter shed and a new BMX bike stolen from the bike rack. Can parents please ensure that bikes are locked up in the bike rack with a proper bike chain. If you do not have a bike lock please ask your child to walk to school until you buy one. It is very distressing for children to know their property has been stolen. In both cases we have reported the incidences to the Police in the hope that the property will be returned to the rightful owner. If your child has brought home a scooter that does not belong to them we would appreciate you returning this to the school—no questions asked.

There are still many Library books that have not been returned to the Library. Perhaps a clean out of bedrooms over the weekend may be a great job your child can do and they may find school Library books that can be returned. This would be much appreciated.

Remember, school reports and letters regarding what class your child is in, will be sent home next week on Wednesday.

Have a wonderful week.

Sue Beynon,  
Principal and  
Sharon Chin,  
Assistant Principal

Gray Primary School  
Victoria Drive, Gray  
Phone 89321700 Fax: 89321007  
Email: admin.graysch@ntschools.net

Every Child, Every Day - improving student enrolment, attendance and participation is everybody’s responsibility and everyone’s business.
## End of Year Awards—Gray Primary School

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END OF YEAR AWARDS—GRAY PRIMARY SCHOOL—cont’d

YEAR 2/3 MODOH

BOOK AWARD
D’Shay McCoy

GRAY WAY AWARD
Phoenix Kavea-Davis

GETTING ALONG
Nicholas Nguyen

CONFIDENCE
Jeffrey Wrenn

PERSEVERANCE
Hayden Newton

RESILIENCE
Chelsea Orr

ORGANISATION
Hesan Khurratun

ESL AWARD
Wasif Khan

SPECIAL EDUCATION BOOK AWARD
Elizabeth Kogler

CHIEF MINISTERS LITERACY
Hesan Khurratun

YEAR 3/4 SMILEY

BOOK AWARD
Alyssa Baldos

GRAY WAY AWARD
Letoya McCoy

GETTING ALONG
Ethan Varmey

CONFIDENCE
Zissa Taylor

PERSEVERANCE
Denzel Nona

RESILIENCE
Shaune Wright

ORGANISATION
Kianne Newton

ESL AWARD
Denzel Nona

SPECIAL EDUCATION BOOK AWARD
Clarence Baird

CHIEF MINISTERS LITERACY
Kobi McMillan

YEAR 5/6 REED

BOOK AWARD
Tullalah Ormsby

GRAY WAY AWARD
Sophy Hunsong

GETTING ALONG
Kiayla Newton

CONFIDENCE
Ronan Lo

PERSEVERANCE
Anh Tran

RESILIENCE
Cody Akers

ORGANISATION
Renae Natar

QUIKSMART BOOK
Vijjitra Phuangprasert

SPORTSPERSON BOOK
Lee Hock Sang Lim

YEAR 5 ACADEMIC
Ngametua Aukino

CHIEF MINISTERS LITERACY
Josie McGuinness

YEAR 5/6 BANAGA

BOOK AWARD
Tehliita Chaplin

GRAY WAY AWARD
Rhema Jacob

GETTING ALONG
Jacinta Harkin

CONFIDENCE
Isaiah Samson

PERSEVERANCE
Lasharn Dean

RESILIENCE
Kyle Naizaro

ORGANISATION
Mizala Mandjiabo

QUIKSMART BOOK
Kyle Naizaro

SPORTSPERSON BOOK
Lasharn Dean

SPORTSPERSON
Rylei McDonald

YEAR 4 ACADEMIC
Rhema Jacob

CHIEF MINISTERS LITERACY
Jade Miller

OTHER AWARDS

THE AUSTRALIA DAY CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Brad Svanfelds  5/6 Banaga

YEAR 6 DUX OF SCHOOL AWARD

Rhema Jacob  5/6 Banaga

YEAR 3/4 PRESTWOOD

BOOK AWARD
Shavayah May-Lee

GRAY WAY AWARD
Jordon Ormsby

GETTING ALONG
Daniel Akers

CONFIDENCE
Joshua Marquez

PERSEVERANCE
Pania Walker-Manning

RESILIENCE
Alyssa Wrenn

ORGANISATION
Hailee Espie-Baker

YEAR 4 ACADEMIC
Shavayah May-Lee

CHIEF MINISTERS LITERACY
Jade Miller

YEAR 4/5 STEWART

BOOK AWARD
Ridley Burnell

GRAY WAY AWARD
Simone Fernandez

GETTING ALONG
Elizabeth Noakes

CONFIDENCE
Nicholas McGuiness

PERSEVERANCE
Lucas Roe

RESILIENCE
Cole Cahill

ORGANISATION
James Sailor

QUIKSMART BOOK
Ryley McDonald

SPORTSPERSON
Ridley Burnell

CHIEF MINISTERS LITERACY
Nakisha AhMatt
Hello my name is Kirby Chin and I attended Gray Primary from preschool through to year 7. Afterwards I attended Palmerston High School through till the end of year 12. During high school I attended the inaugural NT Space School and went on to attend the 2009 NASA Young Astronauts Space Academy Engineering School in Houston, Texas. I have just finished my second year of an Engineering / IT degree at Charles Darwin University. I am currently back at Gray Primary working as a tutor. I enjoy playing indoor and outdoor soccer.

### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We are running a Christmas Hamper raffle this year. The raffle will be drawn during the last week of school. We are asking for donations of items suitable for the hampers, and hope each family will support us to make up wonderful hamper prizes. Please treat the table below as suggestions only, all donations are greatly appreciated. Hope you will support this to enable us to make up wonderful prizes.

**Tickets are 3 for $5.00 or $2.00 each available from front office.**

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<td>Around the house – cleaning stuff, sponges, detergent, toilet paper, paper towel, tea towels.</td>
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<td>Packets – biscuits, rice crackers, popcorn, cereal, flour, sugar, cake mix, nuts, dried fruit.</td>
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<td>Year Three</td>
<td>Personal care – toothpaste, soap, band-aids, dental floss, sunscreen, deodorant.</td>
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<td>Year Four</td>
<td>Cans - baked beans, spaghetti, veggies, fruit, pet food, spreads, tuna.</td>
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<td>Year Five</td>
<td>Long-life items – Rice, pasta, 2 minute noodles, soup, gravy mix, casserole mix.</td>
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<td>Year Six</td>
<td>Treats – chocolate, sweets, jellybeans, poppers, juice, chips</td>
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One of the baskets to be raffled. To be drawn Wednesday 12 December.
Gray Primary School (Good Beginnings Building)

Good Beginnings Palmerston is based at Gray Primary School in the green demountable towards the back of the school. We offer a variety of programs, resources, information and support for families in the Palmerston community.

Gray Play 2 Learn

Play 2 learn is a supported play session where play based learning is designed around what the children are interested in, to help their development. The sessions are facilitated by an Early Childhood worker and Family support worker.

At Play 2 Learn we believe that by providing children with a secure and happy environment, where they are supported to develop their intellectual, social, emotional and physical skills, they will become confident and competent individuals.

Children and parents can participate in experiences together, strengthening relationships between children, parents and caregivers.

Good beginnings will support you to build on your existing knowledge, skills and the resources that are available to you. Create connections and relationships in the community, both with other parent and community supports and services.

Tuesday
Play 2 Learn 9am—11am Birth—4yrs
(Please bring a piece of fruit to share)

Wednesday
Baby Play 2 Learn which is run in conjunction with Maternal Health Nurse, who will answer any questions you may have in regards to your Childs health and development
9am — 11am Birth—12 months
(Morning tea provided)

Friday
Dreamtime Indigenous Play 2 Learn
9am—11am Birth—4yrs
(Morning tea provided)

GOOD BEGINNINGS HOLIDAY PLAY GROUPS

During the School holidays Good Beginnings will be delivering a Universal Play 2 Learn Group. The group will commence on Tuesday January 8th and finish on Tuesday 25th January 2013.

After this the normal Play 2 Learn groups will commence as usual.

Good Beginnings will also host a Universal Play 2 Learn during the mid year school holiday break.

This will commence Tuesday 25th June and finish Tuesday 16th July 2013.

Play 2 Learn

9-11am A supported playgroup for families with children 0 – 4 yrs
(Older brothers and sister are welcome to attend)

Venue: Good Beginnings Centre, Gray Primary School

Please bring a piece of fruit to share

Come and join us for some holiday fun – art and craft, singing and dancing as well as story time.

All Good Beginnings programs are provided free of charge

For more information please call 08-89327022
Mobile 0417200170

A Good Beginning for Every Child

Christmas Craft Club “The Gift of Giving”

17–20 December 2012
ST LUKES ANGLICAN CHURCH, VICTORIA ST, GRAY
9.00am—12.30pm

FOR CHILDREN IN PRIMARY SCHOOL

MORNING TEA PROVIDED: PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN WATER BOTTLE

COST $20.00 FULL TIME OR $6.00 FOR INDIVIDUAL DAYS

REGISTER ON-LINE www.sunt.org.au
OR Telephone 0417 840 611

……OVERDUE BOOKS…..

It’s that time of year again and all library books need to be returned to their home on the shelves for a well-earned rest over the holiday break.

Sadly, there are still lots of books that are outstanding, especially home readers.

Letters will be mailed to parents for the students who haven’t been able to return them.

Please help find these books so they too can enjoy the 6 week rest before the action starts again in 2013.

Thank you
Sue Fisher—Library
MARRARA INDOOR STADIUM
SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER 2012
9.00 AM—12.00 NOON
Jumping Castles
Face Painting
Territory Wildlife
Arts and Craft
Craft Life Be In it
Fairies
Balloon Sculptures
Rock Climbing
Zumba

Christmas for Kids
Free Family Fun Day

Lindyloo
≈ Santa ≈

Celebrate Christmas in the City

Lord Mayor’s Tree Lighting
Friday 7 December, 7.30 pm
Don’t miss the Lord Mayor’s Tree Lighting Ceremony in The Mall this Christmas. Visit www.darwin.nt.gov.au or like City of Darwin on Facebook.

Smith St Mall Celebrations
Saturday 8 December, 10.00am to 2.00pm
Get into the spirit of Christmas in the City with exciting family fun and entertainment in The Mall and Rainforest Park including:
- Jumping castles
- Face painters
- Territory Wildlife Park animals
- Life Be In it fun activities
- Still wellbeing ‘Santa’ and ‘Angel’
- Parsk school choir
- Circus workshop performance
- Balloon artist
- Entertainment
- Fairy Jill
- Santa’s arrival

Santa will also be making an appearance in The Mall at lunchtime on 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of December providing plenty of opportunities for photos to be taken! Visit www.darwinlibraries or like City of Darwin on Facebook.

Darwin Waterfront Celebrations
Sunday 16 & 23 December, 3.00pm to 5.00pm
Don’t miss Santa at Darwin Waterfront this December. He will be making an appearance at the restaurants and cafes as well as loads of festive fun at the Wave Lagoon including:
- Entertainment by Chantal the Fairy
- Life Be in it games and activities
- Loads of beach balls
- Prizes up for grabs and
- Christmas ‘treats’ from Santa

Visit www.waterfront.nt.gov.au or like Darwin Waterfront on Facebook.

School Holiday Program
2013
Palmerston Library
For information about children’s programs and events in the Palmerston Library contact us.
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Palmerston NT 0831
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Fax: 8933 9999
Email: askus@palmerston.nt.gov.au