

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.
Galatians 6:9

Ga yaka yānayiny djawaryurr bala gulyurnnydja
gunḡa'yunaḡurnnydja ḡunha wiripuwurrḡalnydja
yolḡurwal walalaḡal. Bala ḡayiny dhu boḡḡuḡ God-
Waḡarryuny gurrupula nhuna manymaktja ḡurikiwuy-
yiny djāmapuy balanyamirriynydja ḡunhi nḡanḡu dhu
waluny galkithi. - Galatjiwalil Dhāwu 6:9



Gäwa news

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Our staff have been reflecting recently about the extraordinary privilege it is to serve our Heavenly Father here in Gäwa. How amazing it is that God chooses to use us to do His work!

We are aware that many others have served before us, and that many more will follow, all doing God's work here in Gäwa. Some plant the seeds, some water, some prune and others nurture and fertilise, but we have the joy of daily seeing the fruits of these labours in the lives of the children here. Galatians 6 encourages us to continue on in faith and perseverance, reminding us that in God's timing He will reap a harvest.



Mayawa Fun



This term, we read the book "Big Rain Coming" and learned about the weather. We learned that God is in control of the weather and that we don't need to be afraid because He is with us. We wrote books on the theme, "Big Cyclone Coming" where we showed how people prepare for a cyclone. As we got closer to Christmas, we have been learning that Jesus is the *New King*, the *Rescuing King* and the *Forever King*. As a special treat, we had our previous teacher, Mandy, spend the last three weeks of term with us. We did lots of singing and dancing. She was so excited to see how far we have come and how much we have grown in the past 3 years!

- Christa, Mandy & Steve

Damala Class

As well as our usual Literacy and Maths rotations, this term students have also investigated the unique characteristics

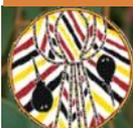
God has given to the bugs they are collecting and researching in our afternoon sessions. We have introduced our students to some new activities which included woodworking with power tools. After an introduction to safety and procedures, students have been guided through the use of a jigsaw to cut out animals from plywood to decorate the outside classroom wall. Art lessons have had the students painting and decorating these creations. Baking and peach-flavoured jelly making have also been part of the mix as students read through 'James and the Giant Peach' together.

- Bruce & Cathie



Thank you for your continued support, encouragement and prayers as we continue to strive each day to serve our Lord faithfully here where He has placed us.

- Karen





End of Year Celebrations



Farewell from the Fletchers

After 4½ years, our time in Gäwa has drawn to a close. God has taught us many things as we have walked with Him on this journey and He has demonstrated His faithfulness to us in ways we couldn't have imagined.

Whilst we are sad that our Yolŋu family won't be part of our everyday lives, we are hopeful we can build on the bonds we have developed as we continue to serve God in the NT.

We will look on with anticipation to see what God has in store in the next chapter of the Gäwa story, knowing that He is loving and faithful and is bringing about His purposes here in this very special place.

- Karen, Stephen and Matthew

Welcome, Rachel & Cameron!

God is indeed good in His provision of a new Principal, Rachel, for Gäwa Christian School in 2017. Rachel and Cameron Herweynen will be joining the Gäwa team, leaving their home in Victoria for a new tropical island home. Pray for them as they prepare for their big move!



The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.' Lam 3:22-23

