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COOPERATIVE EFFORTS TRANSFORMS TAGAI COLLEGE'S ERUB GARDEN

A three day garden blitz has transformed Tagai College's Erub campus gardens.

Garden beds were improved and planted with corn, a chicken coop renovated and garden shed erected in the blitz supervised by Tagai Environmental Education Coordinator, Tim Hillier.

The support team included the Torres Strait Regional Authority's (TSRA) Erubam Rangers, Aaron Ketchell and Amos Sipi and Tagai Indigenous Ranger cadet, Taukie Passi.

The TSRA Acting Chairman, Mr Aven S Noah, said there was growing support across the Torres Strait for similar initiatives.

"The activity is part of the Horticulture in Schools initiative, within the TSRA Sustainable Horticulture Project, which is focussed on embedding horticulture in the Torres Strait school curriculum and supporting the growing of food within schools.

"These are the sort of hands on programs that assist young Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal people to complete school and encourage further study, training, jobs and careers in land, sea and natural resource management," Mr Noah said.



Caption: Tagai Ranger Cadet Taukie Passi and TSRA Erubam Acting Senior Ranger Aaron Ketchel replace the mesh on the chicken coop.



Caption: Teacher Aide, Dalassa Sam picking some basil, eggplant and tomatoes for students to cook a new recipe, Ratatouille.



Caption: Tagai Ranger Cadet Taukie Passi helping students Elijah Waigana and Daniel Sam assemble the new garden shed.

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