

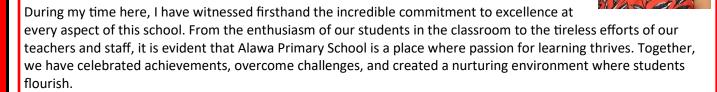


Week 10: 21 June 2023

Principal Update

Dear families,

As my time at Alawa Primary School comes to a close, I wanted to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude for the opportunity to work as Assistant Principal in Term 1 and Principal in Term 2. It has been an incredible privilege to work with such a dedicated and talented group of students, teachers, staff, and parents. Your warm welcome and support have made my experience truly remarkable.



I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the Alawa Primary School community for your collaboration, trust, and dedication to the success of our students. Your involvement, whether through volunteering, participating in school events, or supporting your child's education at home, is invaluable and makes a significant difference in the lives of our students.

As I move on to new opportunities, I will cherish the memories and friendships forged at Alawa Primary School.

Bianca Hyke [Acting Principal]

Assistant Principal Update

Welcome to week 10!

I would like to say thankyou and goodbye to Bianca Hyke. Bianca stepped into my role while I was on long service leave and then into the Principal role while Sandy was away. Bianca has done an excellent job here at Alawa and has certainly become part of our great team. She has built wonderful connections with students, staff as well as families and we are going to miss her. Good luck in your new role Bianca. We will miss you!



I would also like to acknowledge the hard work from our wonderful teachers here at Alawa. It has been a very busy last few weeks with the completion of reports. All our educators have continued to work hard to ensure our students continue to thrive in such a positive learning community. Our teachers should enjoy a well-earned break.

Goodbye to Terri-Lee Smedley on her new endeavors in Melbourne and all the best to Miss Sarah Hunter who will be getting married during the holidays. We can't wait to see all the pictures.

The holidays are almost here! There are so many ideas to keep your children entertained these school holidays. Remember, to make time to rest, relax and rejuvenate, have fun together and be ready to welcome back Ms Cartwright in Term 3.

Gen Donohue [Assistant Principal]

Calendar of events

Thursday 22 June	Assembly hosted by Year 4/5 Lawrence, followed by morning tea for families of hosting class. Bonus House points Accessory day	8:40am
	Last day of Term 2	All day
Friday 23 June	Pupil Free day	All day
Wednesday 12, Thursday 13, Friday 14 July	Alawa Harvest Holiday cooking program	9am– 12pm
Monday 17 July	Pupil Free day	All day
Tuesday 18 July	School resumes for Term 3	All day
Wednesday 9 August	School Photo day	All day

School Photos

School Photos have been scheduled for Week 4, Wednesday 9 August.

This year we will once again be using 'The School Photographer' who will have 2 photographers on site.



Packages can be purchased from \$27.00 and all sibling orders MUST be in before the day to be included in the day's schedule.

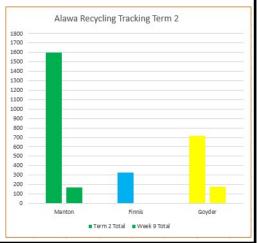
Envelopes will be sent home with students in Term 3. If you have any questions please don't hesitate in contacting the front office.

Recycling

A reminder that recycling is back up and running at the school.

Our recycling bags are up and ready for deposits in their usual location in the back car park hanging on the fence.

Each bag represents a house and all items will be recorded as a point for your house. Items can be delivered during school hours and placed directly into the bags.



Raising Confident, Happy Children



Hot tips for the week



Helping children calm down from string emotions

Key points

- notice the emotion, name it, and pause.
- Address children's behaviour or problem-solve after they've calmed down.
- Important part of learning to understand and manage emotions.

Calming down from strong emotions: why children need help

Helping children calm down: five steps

Calming down: getting help

Alawa Harvest Holiday Cooking program

Our school holiday cooking program is on once again. Wednesday 12, Thursday 13 & Friday 14 July. Contact the front office for booking form and to secure your child's spot [classes limited to 15 only] alawa.school@education.nt.gov.au

Alawa Harvest Kitchen Holiday Cooking Classes

The Alawa Harvest Kitchen is pleased to announce a unique school holiday experience!

If your child enjoys cooking, tasting, harvesting and learning how to take food from the paddock to the plate, then this is the class for them.

THE ALAWA A tour of our Alawa School Farm, to pick fresh seasonal produce for the cooking class, is included in this experience.

Our experienced chef and staff with extensive knowledge of tropical produce, will take your child on a culinary experience not to be missed!

Three hour classes are available from 9am – 12noon, Wednesday 12, Thursday 13, Friday 14 July.

Costs: One 3 hour class-\$40.00 All three classes-\$100

Please contact us on 8997 7666 to book and pay ahead to reserve your child's place. Classes are limited to 15 per class to ensure a quality experience. Children must be 8 years and above to access kitchen facilities successfully. When booking, please notify staff, in writing, of any food allergies or medical considerations.

Alawa Harvest Kitchen Cooking Class Booking Slip -

Please return by Monday 19th June to Alawa Primary School.

Child's Name:	Age:	Amount
Paid: Classes Attending: J	uly Wed 12 Thu 13 Fri 14 (Plea	se circle)
Parent's Name and Contact Number		

Preschool news

The Preschool children had lots of fun taking part in the Alawa School Sports Day. We were the first to run for the day on the oval and had the whole school as our Audience. Some children were happier to watch as their friends raced 50 metres as fast as they could. We got to watch all the running races and then returned to the preschool yard for some exclusive preschool games. We started with the egg and spoon race which saw some impressive focus on the faces of the competitors.

We then attempted the three-legged race in pairs. All the children were good sports and in this game it was pretty clear that slow and steady wins the race. The last game of the preschool activities was musical chairs, and everyone took part and had fun. It may have only been a sports 'morning' for us but it was jam packed with action, fun and adventure.

Have a great week.

Angela Henshke, Emma churchman, Kelly Crawford and Flor Hodgson [Preschool Team]



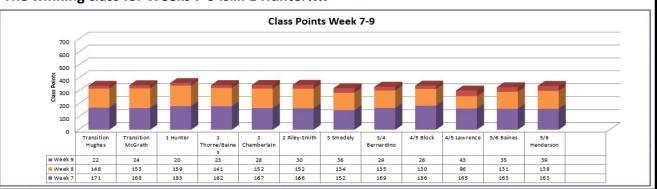


Class Points

Muster is held at Alawa after each recess and lunch break - this gives us an opportunity for everyone to settle from playtime, share any celebrations and work on consistency of messages and expectations.

Each week we allocate class points during Muster time recognizing those students who were ready and waiting to go back to class calmly and quietly after break times. The winning class from each 3 weeks will receive ice-blocks from Mrs. Hyke and get to choose 3 songs that will play before our bells for the following 3 weeks.

The class with the most points in Week 9 of Term 2 was....4/5 Lawrence!!! The winning class for Weeks 7-9 is.... 1 Hunter!!!!

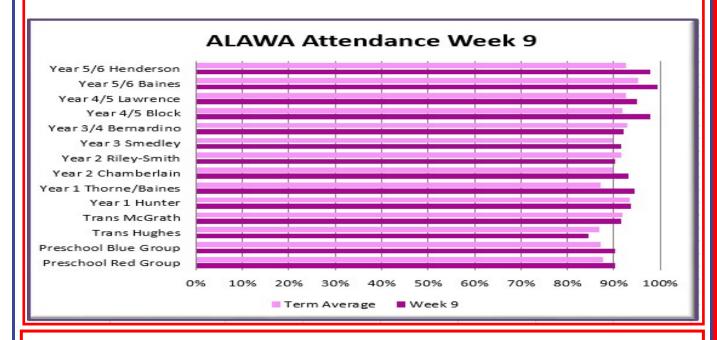


AIMING HIGH: Planting seeds for the future

Attendance

Primary School Average for Week 9 Term 2: 93.47%

The class with the highest attendance for Week 9: **5/6 Baines with 99.5%!!!** Amazing job!!! In the lead for this term...**5/6 Baines with 95.25%!!!**



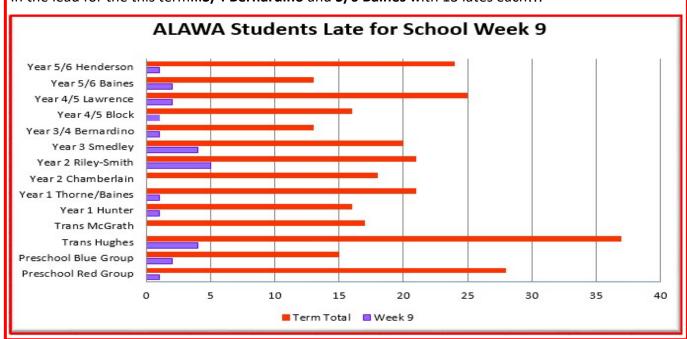
Lates

Arriving late for school has a significant impact on your child's learning and engagement in the education program.

There were 25 lates in Week 9!

For Week 9 the classes with the least lates were: **Transition McGrath and 2 Chamberlain** with 0 lates!!!

In the lead for the this term...3/4 Bernardino and 5/6 Baines with 13 lates each!!!



Camp news—Year 3/4

Year 3/4 Camp is set for Thursday 7-8th September. It is one of the most anticipated events of the year for students and staff.

Planning has commenced and the initial camp note will be sent home in the first week of Term 3. Please be aware that there are attendance and behaviour expectations that are carefully considered leading up to



camp. Your child's safety, wellbeing and learning is of utmost importance. If class teachers have concerns or queries about a child's participation in camp, they will contact you to make a time to discuss them. If you have a concern or query, please contact your child's teacher early next term.

Thank you for your time and support.

Ms Bernardino [Year 3/4 Camp Coordinator]

Farm news

Larrakia Season: Damibila - (Barramundi and bush fruit time)

Why do ducks hate reading directions? They prefer to wing it! Well not Farmer Bob and I, we have very carefully set up the incubator for fluffy ducklings! The Duck eggs should be hatching in the last week of holidays/ first week back of term.

Celebrations on the Farm!

Feels like just yesterday we were kicking off our Farm Lessons for 2023 and giving out class points with weekly trophies, and in a blink of an eye, it will all be over for Semester 1!

Farmer Bob and I were pleased to present the Farm Trophy and Farm Party to Ms Hughes Class! They showed amazing team-work and put in a great effort all year to care for the animals and the garden. To show our appreciation, the students enjoyed the fresh air with a petting zoo, garden scavenger hunt, party hat decorating and freshly popped popcorn! Ms Hughes even joined us which was extra special!

Stay safe over the holidays and see you all next term- may the best class win for semester 2!

Mrs Cleary and Farmer Bob [Farm team]









Year 5/6 Camp

Last week on the 14th of June the year 5/6s went to Batchelor Outdoor Education Centre for their school camp. They arrived at 10:30 am where they started with their first activities. The activities that they did were rock climbing archery, wet and wild, mountain bikes, radio rogaine, team challenges and catapults. All students were well-behaved and seemed to enjoy their time at camp.

Ameliah- "Going to camp was a fun educational experience! My favourite activity was archery because it was fun shooting arrows at a target."

Rosie- "At camp, I really enjoyed spending time in my cabins with my friends. I also enjoyed the activities especially rock climbing as the thrill of going so high and abseiling down was fun!"

Jed- "At camp, I really enjoyed doing rock climbing because it was challenging and heaps of fun at the same time. It took all of my strength to be able to climb the rock wall that had an angle."

Zanny- "I really liked building the giant catapult because we got to shoot it at the enemy team and try to knock down as many crates as possible."

Eileen- "Rock climbing was really challenging because it was really hard to get to the top of the wall."



Honour awards

This <u>Thursday</u> at Assembly 83 students will be presented with Honour Awards in recognition of receiving 10 Merit Awards—Congratulations!



Caspar Pike	Angus Farquhar Walker	Kade Lehmann	Carys Walsh
Calin Bayram	River Vickery	Lachlan Johannessen	Maurice Petterson
Joshua Black	Kavya Karmacharya	Flynn Cleary	Mikael Ahmad
Callum Davey	Jaymisha Tyson-Canet	Orlando Papantoniou	Jordy Woods-Petterson
Eve Royal	Chad Geddes	Sam Taylor	Eleanor Farquhar Walker
Kudin Brogan	Eleanor Macskimin	Gabriel Briggs	Haley Wilson
Archie Flanagan	Felicity Martin	Tommy Jenner	Jaxson Garbusinski
Mali Fulton	Nicholas Taylor	Maebe Thomson	Lestari Smith
Skylah Hopkins	Max McCready	Dity Tandel	Rosemary Gurruwiwi
Matilda Cleary	Lydia McCready	Vania Appiah	Harry Frawley
Xavier Cockfield	Nieva Bui	Tex Lehmann	Nicholas Taylor
Gemma Davey	Alena Chau	Keisha Woods- Petterson	Aiden Howard
Sallyanne Cartwright	Gabby Lee	Ezra Smith	Gabby McCrae
Tonga Ali	Frankie Jeffery-Kent	Thomas Favreau	Henry Vidins
Olivia Scheide	Marlow Brenton	Halle Wedel	Finlay Davey
Billy Geddes	Jaxon Gontscharow	Reuben Wedel	Mercy Manok
Fern Russell	Ali Hunter	Zanny Cartwright	Shalisa Cassidy
Jaxon Royal	Mercy Manok	Fern Russell	Reuben Dwyer
Levi Bowden	Jed Geddes	Dakot Tweedie	Hunter Agnew-Auld
Kaileigh Nicholas	Casey Raby	Bethany Quintner	Amerial Bowden
Caitlin Gleeson	Breanna Wolfe	Makayla Pearson	

Library news

It does not seem possible that the end of Term 2 is already upon us. With the holidays starting at the end of the week there are a number of fun activities you can access at libraries around Darwin and Palmerston.

The City of Darwin have a program that runs between the Darwin City, Casuarina, Karama and Nightcliff Libraries as well as in Parks. Their program includes activities such as Lego Club, Steam Zone, Movies, a Gaming Tournament, Book Creating, Woodworking and much more. You can find out more about what is happening via the City of Darwin website at https://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/ school-holidays. If you are willing to travel a little further, Palmerston Library has some awesome workshop options all of which are free including Beading and Origami, Bark Painting, Boomerang throwing, Screen Printing as well as movies, performances and storytelling with an activity running each day Monday to Friday for free at 10am. You can find their program via the following link https://palmerston.nt.gov.au/community/ community-services/events-and-activities/



I have sent out overdue reminders this week, please check your child's bag to see if they have one. If you could return any outstanding books by Thursday it would be greatly appreciated. Have a wonderful Break and I look forward to seeing you all back refreshed and with stories to tell about the wonderful adventures you have had both in person and through the pages of a book.

Miss Sacha [Library Teacher]

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Have you read the newsletter this week? A quick question....

As with last year I will sneak a little quiz question into the newsletter each week. If you are a student and know the answer, send me an email to have the opportunity to earn 20 bonus house points.



Week 10 —Which teacher is getting married during the school holidays?

Pupil free day- 23 June & 17 July

Our next professional learning days for staff are planned for Friday 23 June and Monday 17 July . There will be no school for students that day. Staff Professional Development days are essential to enable all staff to provide the best service to our students and families and engage in meaningful

professional learning.

We have 2 providers available for care for students.

23 June & 17 July- Wagaman OSHC-

wagamanoshc@childaustralia.org.au or

0481 699 262

17 July-Brat pack-

thebratpacknt@bigpond.com or 8927 2546





Cafe

Our Mission is to provide the Alawa School community with delicious healthy meals and snacks and to create meaningful links to our kitchen garden program. We will do our best to ensure we order the same products as advertised but occasionally have to change due to stock availability.



Available everyday lunch only:

- mini beef burgers \$4.50
- spaghetti bolognaise small serve \$4.50 or large serve \$6.50 /Gluten Free Spaghetti \$6.50
 [Wed & Thu only]

Wednesday – Pork Dumplings - \$6.50 Thursday – San Choy Bow \$6.50

A reminder that our school Cafe is open Wednesday to Friday ONLY. Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Order online at www.quickclig.com.au

Weekly Farm award

This year we are celebrating the best Farm Class of the week on Fridays.

The Farm Class of the week is selected, based on their abilities to working cooperatively as a team and always following our Farm rules. The Farm classes are divided each week into 3-4 smaller groups and each one has a Group Director. Group Directors are in charge of giving out responsibilities to their group, keeping their area tidy and giving out points.

Last weeks winner was......Transition Hughes!!!



Community notices







Year 7 - 2024 Information Session

> 26 JULY 2023 AT 7.30 PM

Register your interest 8920 2000





Community notices



"The quality of your life is determined by the quality of your relationships" – Tony Robbins

In this workshop you will discover:

- ightharpoonup How our relationship beliefs are created through our childhood experiences.
- How these beliefs and patterns control our behaviour and our
- The dynamic that causes our emotions to trigger our partners

The <u>practical</u> steps we need to take to create the relationship we "You deserve to be in a healthy

and loving relationship, and it is possible!"

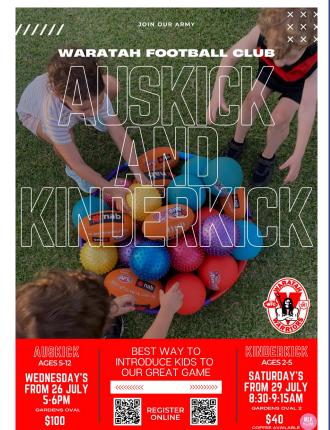
Wednesday 14th June 6.30 - 8.30pm

> 17 Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina Cost: \$99 per person

> Book using the link: https://bit.ly/PWC_relationships

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Enrolments now open for

Pupil Free Day

7 23 June, 2023



VACATION CARE 26 June - 17 July We'll keep the children entertained these School Holidays!

Book your child's place.

Contact Joyce Chang for enrolment and any other enquiries.

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