



Week 9: 14 June 2023

Principal Update

Sports Day

Last Friday all classes participated in Sports Day. Whilst it was a hotter than usual, the students did an incredible job competing in running races, track and field events, games and tabloids. Overall behaviour, sportsmanship and team spirit was impressive, as many cheered on their friends!

Results: 1st place—Manton 2nd place—Finnis 3d place—Goyder

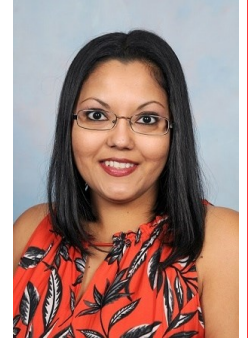
Student Reports

In week 10 of this term, you will be receiving your child's report for Semester One. There should have been no surprises in this report as your child's teacher and you will have had conversations about progress and you should know how your child is going.

One point that sometimes does surprise parents is the grade that your child gets from A to E. We often consider a 'C' grade to be not very good but in fact it means that the student is performing at the expected year level and that is good. On Tuesday 20th June reports for all children in Preschool through to Year 6 will be emailed home to parents and a copy also emailed to students in Years 3-6.

The students will access at school via their email on Wednesday 21st June. If for any reason you require a hard copy of the report OR would prefer your child [Years 3-6] not be sent their report please advise the front office by Wednesday 14th June.

Bianca Hyke [Acting Principal]



Assistant Principal Update

Welcome to Week 9!

It is hard to believe Term 2 is nearly over.

What a great Sports Carnival we had last week! Lots of praise and recognition was given for all students who participated and supported their teams. even if they didn't win. I heard a child in year 6 make a comment as they held up a ribbon. "Wow, this is my first ribbon ever before I leave Primary school". How lovely it was for me to hand out the third ribbon to her and see the pride on her face. Thankyou to all our volunteers. We couldn't make this day happen as well as it did ,without you. Congratulations to our parent athletes for your win on our trophy. We will have to change the game or start training for our sprint next year!!!!

Last week we said goodbye to our 4th year, **OT students** that we had with us for their final placement. It was a fantastic opportunity to have them work with some of our students in the early years for 8 weeks. They have provided us with strategies and learning about how we can support our students with further occupational therapy development. We will really see the benefits of this support with families ongoing help with home activities and follow up as required.

Have a wonderful week.

Gen Donohue [Assistant Principal]



Calendar of events

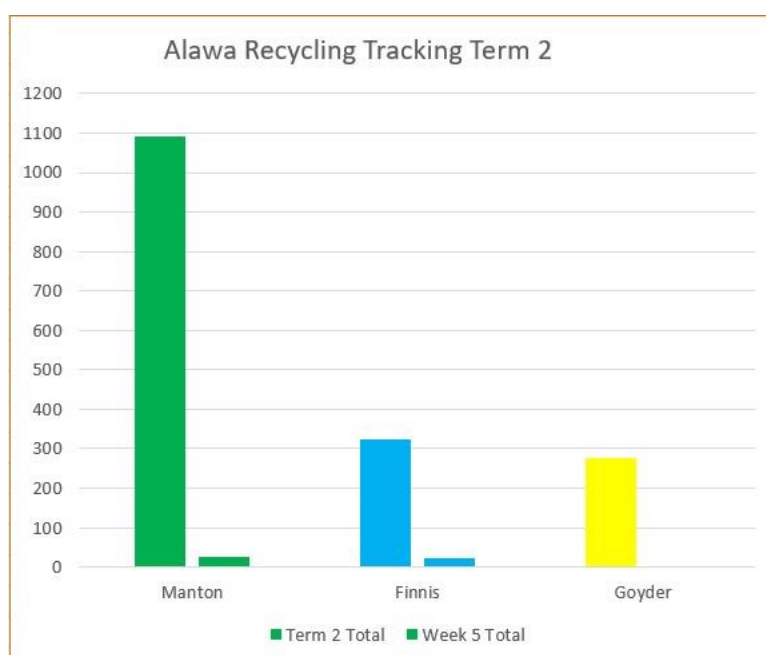
Wednesday 14—Friday 16 June	Year 5/6 Camp	All day
Thursday 22 June	Assembly hosted by Year 4/5 Lawrence, followed by morning tea for families of hosting class. Last day of Term 2	8:40am All day
Friday 23 June	Pupil Free day	All day
Wednesday 12, Thursday 13, Friday 14 July	Alawa Harvest Holiday cooking 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

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

Reward Charts: Encouraging positive behaviour in children

Key points

- Reward charts can be a powerful way to encourage positive behaviour in children.
- You give children stickers or points towards a reward when they behave well.
- Rewards reinforce positive behaviour. They also help you stay positive.
- If reward charts aren't working, you might be able to adjust the way you're using them.

[Reward Charts: What are they?](#)

[How and why reward charts work](#)

[Setting up reward charts that work well](#)

[When reward charts aren't working: things to try](#)

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



**THE ALAWA
HARVEST KITCHEN**

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.

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.

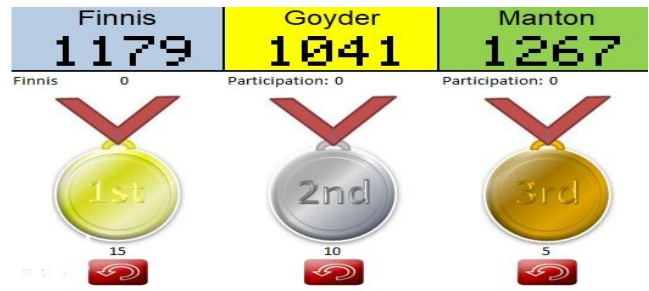
Costs: One 3 hour class-\$40.00 All three classes-\$100

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: July Wed 12 Thu 13 Fri 14 (Please circle)
Parent's Name and Contact Number.....

House Points—Sports day



- Sports day age champion winners:
- 12 years winner girls—Giselle
 - 12 years runner up girls— Ameliah
 - 12 years winner boys—Eli
 - 12 years runner up boys— Mischa
 - 11 years winner girls—Ava
 - 11 years runner up girls—Cleo
 - 11 years winner boys— Leonitas
 - 11 years runner up boys— Leo
 - 10 years winner girls— Lucinda
 - 10 years runner up girls— Ellie
 - 10 years winner boys—Jax
 - 10 years runner up boys—Arlo
 - 9 years winner girls—Rosemary
 - 9 years runner up girls—Tilly
 - 9 years winner boys—Jude
 - 9 years runner up boys— Marlow

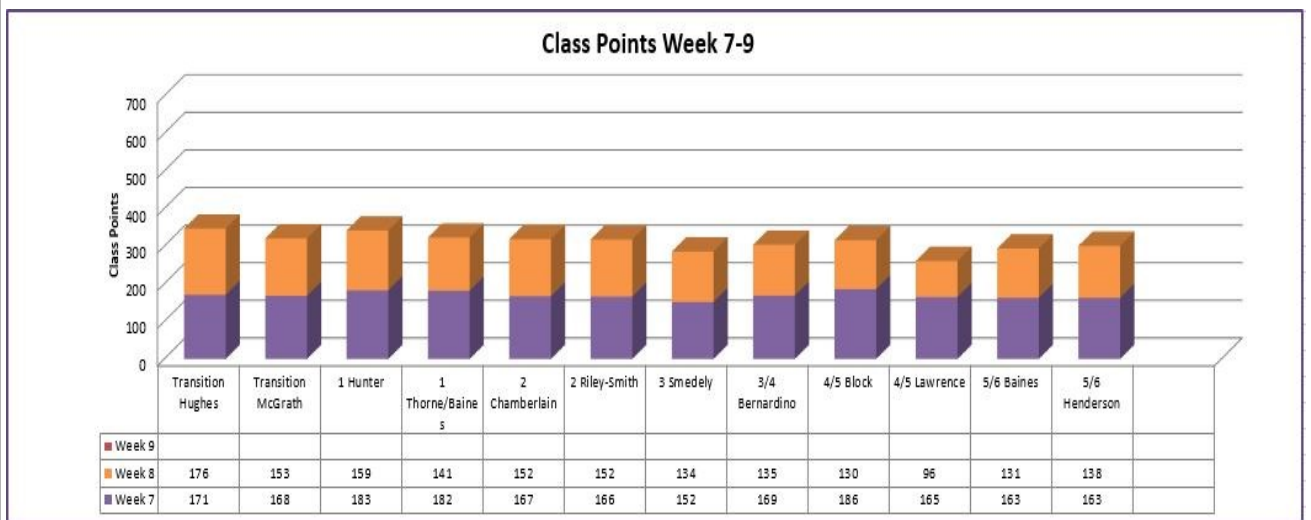


Class Points

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 8 of Term 2 was....Transition Hughes with 176 points!!!

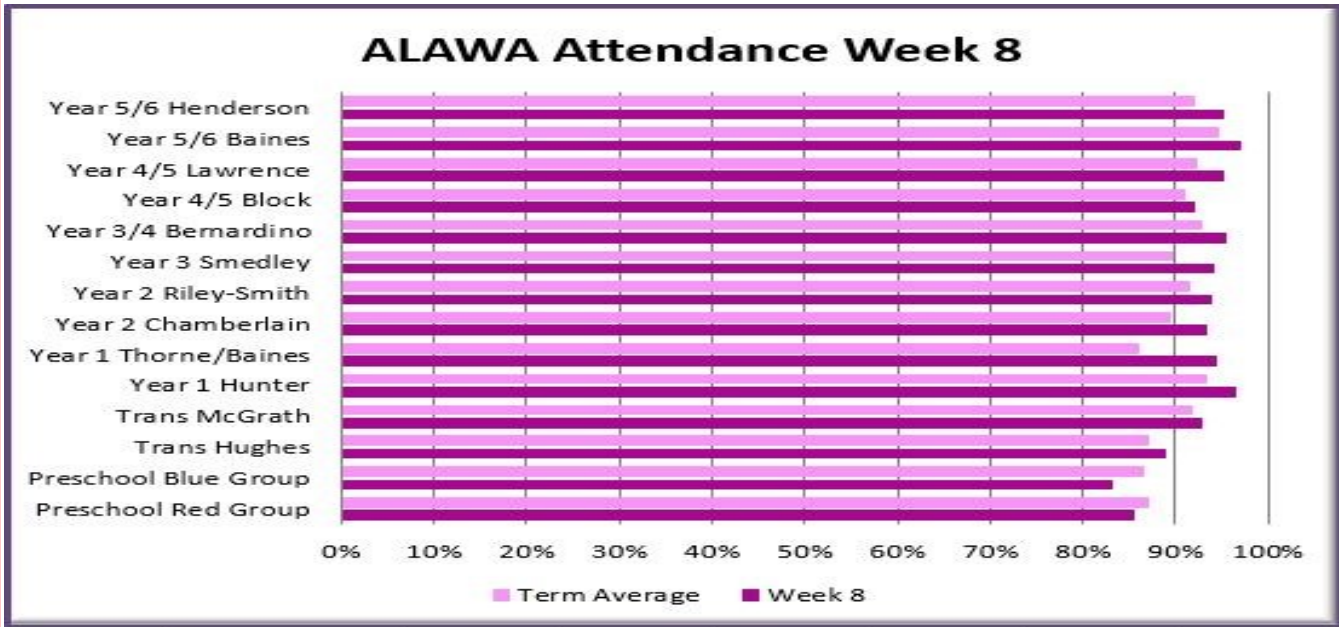


Attendance

Primary School Average for Week 8 Term 2: **94.13%**

The class with the highest attendance for Week 8: **5/6 Baines with 97.15%!!!** Amazing job!!!

In the lead for this term...**5/6 Baines with 94.72%!!!**



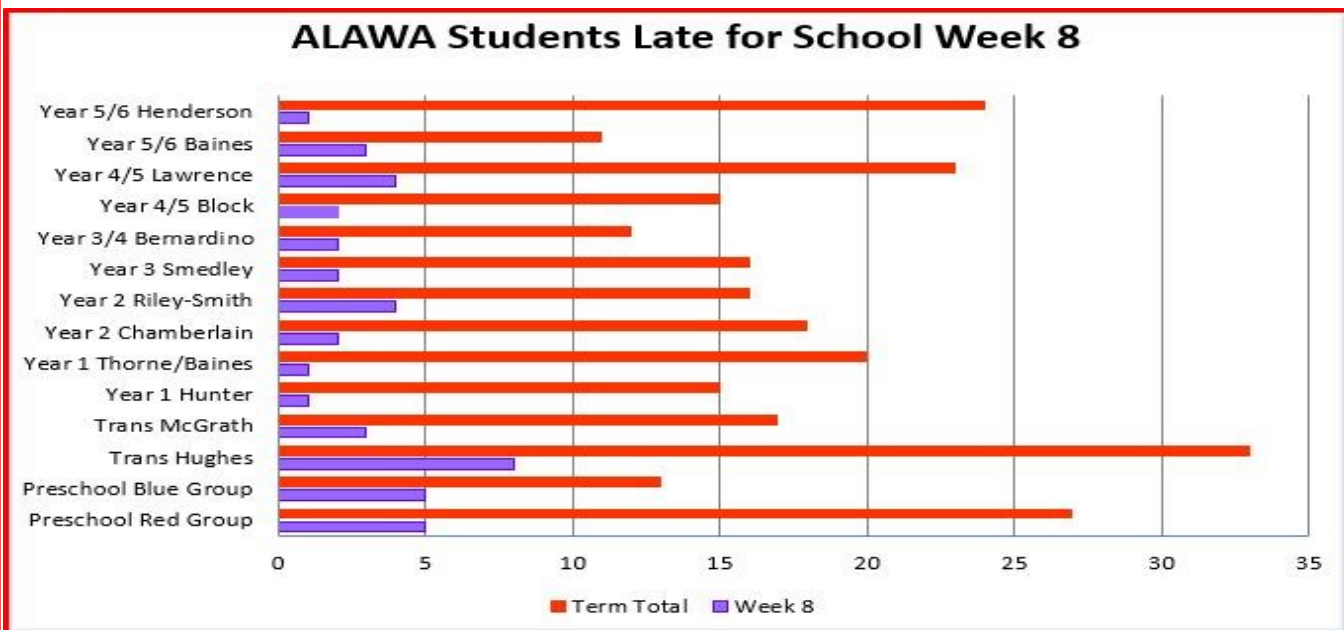
Lates

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

There were 42 lates in Week !

For Week 8 the class with the least lates was: **5/6 Henderson with 0 lates!!!**

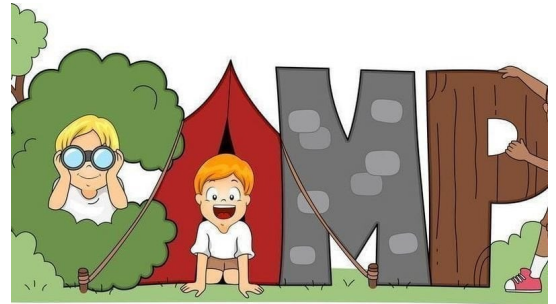
In the lead for the this term...**5/6 Baines with 11 lates!!!**



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]

Sports day photos



Sports day photos



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Defence School Mentor news

The term is zooming past and the school holidays will be here before we know. Today our Years 5 & 6 are off to camp to Bachelor Outdoor Education Centre. I will be joining them for the three days so will not be at school on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. Laura will be here and available if you need to contact the DSM about anything.

As we all know June/July is the time that Posting Orders start to filter out. If you know that your family is leaving us at the end of this year onto a new location it would be really appreciated if you could notify the school, Laura or myself. This way Laura and I can begin to support your child through the preparation of the move. We also have some handy info sheets on how to support children through a posting. If you would like copies, please let us know. Also remember that the DMFS website has some great posting info and tips too.

Enjoy the school holidays. We hope everyone has the chance to spend some relaxing and rejuvenating time with their families.

Katie Wedel and Laura Thiele [Defence School Mentors]



Playgroup news

Last Friday's playgroup was our baking day and Miss Erin thought it would be fun to try something new. Everyone was very interested in finding out what the new ingredients were and why Miss Erin brought a 'paintbrush' to the baking table! First we pulled out sheets of puff pastry and cut them into smaller squares, with our little squares in front of us we then topped them with sliced apple pieces. Some of us covered the whole pastry all over and others made pretty patterns. Each pastry was unique! Some people had rolled the edges to look very pretty and others were folded over to make all different pillow shapes. Also by this time our pastry was a little warmed up, getting soft and sticky, some of the pastries were taking on unusual designs. We then transferred our shapes onto the tray, but before it went into the oven we 'painted' our pastries with melted butter! This would make our pastry a golden colour as it cooked in the oven and with a finishing touch of cinnamon sugar they were ready to be baked! The room was smelling amazing and many came in regularly to check on the progress of the cooking. Finally after being so very patient we brought our apple pastries outside to share with our families and friends, lucky we made a few extras! And with a dollop of cream to finish it off. They were delicious! Miss Erin even forgot to take a photo of them because we were all so excited to eat them!

Playgroup won't be on this Friday so that was the last one for this term but I'm looking forward to seeing you all again in Term 3.

Ms Erin [Playgroup Co-ordinator]



Preschool news

Next term the preschool will be hosting our annual Bike-A-Thon. The children are very excited!

This is the preschools major fundraiser for the year, we are fundraising to add a water pump to our sand pit so the children have more ownership in their play and can take turn their play into a sensory experience. This is beautiful community event that brings our families together as we cheer on the children while they zoom around our track to see how many laps they can ride! It would be lovely to provide some prizes on the day for their dedicated fundraising.

So we are on the hunt for some businesses in our school community who may be able to sponsor us by providing a one off donation in either the form of:

- funds
- items (colouring books, toys, stationary)
- vouchers (e.g. restaurants)
- experiences (e.g. tickets)
- food that we will sell on the day (bread, sausages, eggs, bacon)

These will be used as prizes for children who raise the most money and have the best dressed bikes and the food will be sold on the day.

We would greatly appreciate anyone in our community who may be able to contribute to this event!

If you are able to make a donation, please email me on angela.henschke@education.nt.gov.au or contact the front office on 8997 7666.

We thank you for your support!



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

Kitchen news

We have had an incredible few weeks in the kitchen. We had a brilliant time making pasta dough and rolling our own spaghetti. Everyone did such a great job and it is so exciting using the pasta machines and making it ourselves.

This was followed by pizza week. Ms Elsa made her yummy pizza dough and we used rolling pins to roll it out and create our own tasty pizzas.

Last week saw our first Masterchef competition for 2023 and it was very exciting to have Daniel Lambie who came third in last years MasterChef Australia as our guest judge.

Well done to all the teams who used the mystery ingredient of citrus to create interesting and tasty dishes.

Big well done to Carla, Ava, Rosie and Jade for their winning fish curry and mandarin cupcakes. A reminder to anyone with spare Coles points, we would love donations of the Coles MasterChef cookware that is currently on offer. Thanks to those who have donated some so far.

Ms Stratton [Kitchen Teacher]



Woolworths Junior Landcare grant

We are very excited to announce that we have been named as one of the Woolworths Junior

Landcare grant recipients!

This grant will allow us to provide better composting stations throughout the farm. You can read all about our program via the below link:

[Alawa School Farm Composting Program - Alawa Primary School \(juniorlandcare.org.au\)](http://juniorlandcare.org.au)

Mrs Cleary will be sharing updates on this exciting project through out next term.

Great news!

We received a
Woolworths Junior
Landcare Grant



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 !!!



Library news

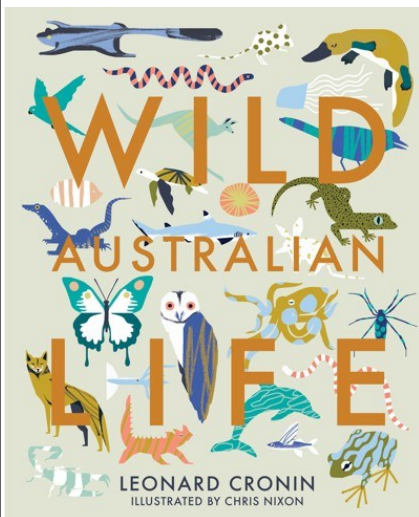
Book of the week: **Wild Australian Life** written by Leonard Cronin and illustrated by Chris Nixon

Wild Australian Life has been listed in the category of Book of the Year – Eve Pownall Award for the Children’s Book Council of Australia’s Book of the Year Awards for 2023.

More than one million animal species make their homes in Australia - from the deepest oceans to the tops of mountains and the harshest deserts. But just how do they survive? Discover the remarkable stories behind some of the world's most extraordinary animals. – *Wild Australian Life*

This book is a fascinating and educational look at Australian wildlife. It contains a wealth of interesting and unusual facts about many well known as well as less common animals. It includes labelled diagrams, information on habitats and behaviours and visual clues to help young readers to look out for signs of the animals in the environment. The text is presented in small chunks with colourful hand drawn illustrations presented in a different layout for each page. The text is suited to independent readers in upper primary but it is a wonderful book for reading together with your child and offers the opportunity to dip in and out of the information to a level they and you are comfortable with. I have certainly learned a lot in looking through this book and am looking forward to exploring it more with my son.

Miss Sacha [Library Teacher]



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 9 —finish the line... ‘Jack and Jill went up the hill...’



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 that day.

Wagaman OSHC—

wagamnaoshc@childaustralia.org.au or

0481 699 262

Brat pack— thebratpacknt@bigpond.com or 8927 2546

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Enrolments now open for Pupil Free Day
23 June, 2023

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

\$72 per day

Book your child's place.

Contact Joyce Chang for enrolment and any other enquiries.

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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

Friday – Teriyaki Beef Wraps \$6.50

A reminder that our school Cafe is open Wednesday to Friday ONLY.

Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Order online at www.quickcliq.com.au

Community notices



Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the **Nationally Consistent Collection of Data** on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the *NCCD guidelines (2019)*.

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy \(https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy\)](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal \(https://www.nccd.edu.au\)](https://www.nccd.edu.au).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact Assistant Principal Gen Donohue.

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Outside School Care NT - Wulagi
Vacation Care Program

26th June - 14th July 2023

Site contacts: Denise Coulson
 Phone: 0499 989 185
 Email: wulagi1@outsideschoolcare.com.au

*Excursion will be capped at 55 children for safety reasons.

Week 1				
26th June Wheels Day Bring your favourite wheels. And don't forget your helmet. 	27th June Messy Play Day Engage in a variety of messy play activities 🍯 Pack a spare change of clothes. 	28th June Games Day Board games, made up games, games outside. 	29th June Jingili Water Gardens Excursion Join us for a day exploring the Jingili Water Gardens. 	30th June Dance Competition Prizes given out for different things such as best dance.
Week 2				
3rd July Drawing Contest No topic, draw what you want. 	4th July Hyper The Clown Incurtion Today we will have a visit from Hyper the clown and participate in a Movement Disco. 	5th July Treasure Hunt Hidden treasures can you find them! 	6th July Botanical Gardens Excursion Join us for a day exploring the George Brown Botanical Gardens. 	7th July Building Competition Best structure made wins a prize!

Community notices

Understanding Relationships Workshop

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

In this workshop you will discover:

- How our relationship beliefs are created through our childhood experiences..
- How these beliefs and patterns control our behaviour and our emotions.
- The dynamic that causes our emotions to trigger our partners reactions.
- The **practical** steps we need to take to create the relationship we desire.



"You deserve to be in a healthy and loving relationship, and it is possible!"

Wednesday 14th June
6.30 - 8.30pm

Casuarina Library Community Room
17 Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina
Cost: \$99 per person
Limited numbers, bookings essential
Book using the link:
https://bit.ly/PWC_relationships

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AUSKICK AND KINDERKICK

<p>AUSKICK AGES 5-12</p> <p>WEDNESDAY'S FROM 26 JULY 5-6PM GARDENS OVAL</p> <p>\$100</p>	<p>BEST WAY TO INTRODUCE KIDS TO OUR GREAT GAME</p> <p>REGISTER ONLINE</p>	<p>KINDERKICK AGES 2-5</p> <p>SATURDAY'S FROM 29 JULY 8:30-9:15AM GARDENS OVAL 2</p> <p>\$40 COFFEE AVAILABLE</p>
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DARWIN REGION SPORT EDUCATION TRACK & FIELD TEAM

Students aged between 10 and 12 in the year of competition, born from 1/1/2013 - 31/12/2011 can nominate to be a member of the Darwin Region T & F team in 2023.

To be eligible for selection students must be the correct age, meet benchmarks and be enrolled in a Darwin Region School.

Multi-class students can be selected for this team also. Students 13 Years and older can still compete and must nominate directly through Athletics NT or join a club.

SELF NOMINATE

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN COB 16 JUNE 2023

CONTACT DARWIN REGION SPORT EDUCATION OFFICE OR YOUR SCHOOL TO RECEIVE A NOMINATION FORM

darwin.sport.doe@education.nt.gov.au
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