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FOR YOUR DIARY

- [Preschool to Transition Parent Information Evening](#)
Room 1,
30 November 2011
5:30—6:30 pm
- [Year 6 Graduation](#)
Thursday 15
December
- [End of year school concert—12](#)
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From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Even though we are heading towards the end of the school year, it is still important that students are punctual for school. School commences at 8.35am and students who are regularly late, not only miss out on important literacy/numeracy teaching but also disrupt the lesson that has already commenced. Thank you to parents who notify the school when their child is late or absent. The Department of Education and Training's (DET) Enrolment and Attendance Policy clearly outlines the need for all students to have a reason for any absence recorded on the teacher's roll. Enrolment and Attendance Data is collected by DET every 4 weeks. Patterns of absenteeism by individual students will be followed up by the school initially and then by the departmental Attendance Officer. Students who attend school regularly are more likely to achieve educational success and increase their career and life options.

With the Wet Season bringing rain and storms, it is important that students walking to and from school are prepared with raincoats or umbrellas. In the case of severe thunderstorms with lightning occurring after school, students will remain in their classrooms until it is safe for them to be dismissed.

This week's Assembly will be hosted by 1 Jan. All parents are welcome to attend.

Fathma Mauger
Principal



Library Chatter

Book Club is due tomorrow, Wednesday 16th, and will be back in approximately 7-10 days. Thank you for your support. A reminder that this is the last week for students to come to the library and borrow to take home. Please help your child/ren to look for their books and any home readers. It has been a pleasure to have the students come to the library and share stories with them.

Quote: "It takes me to a new world once I start reading. It's awesome." (Reasey Keo – Year 6 student Alawa Primary School)

Happy Reading

Mrs Price



Farm, Kitchen and Garden Corner

Rooster to give-a-way

We have been provided with what we thought were young hens from one of our kind Alawa residents. However, one is actually a rooster! If you would like to have it for a pet or for breeding, please contact the school office or joanne.sachse@ntschoools.net to arrange a time for collection.

Eggs

We are now supplying a variety of eggs to the school office for sale. You are able to buy as much or as little as you like. Prices are 50c each for chicken eggs, 70c each for duck and turkey eggs and, 30c each for bantam eggs. All money collected goes into feed for the poultry.

Frog eggs or tadpoles

In order to investigate the growth and life cycles of animals, students have expressed interest in learning about the lifecycle of frogs. If you have some in a body of water at home and would like to donate, please send some in a container with air holes and water with your child to school to give to the science teacher. Please make sure the eggs or tadpoles are frogs and not cane toads! Search online if you require assistance in identification.



Volunteers

Thank you so much to those families who are fostered to assist during weekend or school holidays. Students are really enjoying spending some extra time with the animals and taking care of them. Students are also enjoying showing parents what to do and what they know! Apparently some families have been taking home quite a few eggs which have been a tasty treat and great reward for their hard work on the farm! Families have also enjoyed tasting the different variety of eggs they have never tried before .

Kind Regards

Ms Joanne Sachse

Canteen

Canteen Specials for this week,

17/11/11 Thursday Lunch: Fried Rice \$ 4.50

18/11/11 Friday

Recess: Sushi \$ 2.50

Lunch: Beef Burgers with salad and cheese \$4.50

21/11/11 Monday

Recess: Rice paper rolls \$2.50

Lunch: Carbonara \$ 4.50

Thank you

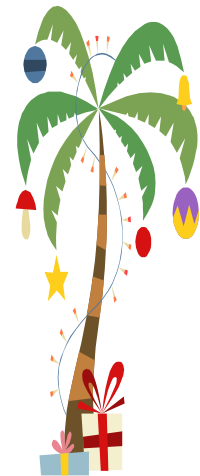
Roula & Janet



School Council

Christmas is approaching - not to mention the school holidays!! Alawa School Council is holding its annual Christmas Raffle and require the generosity of its valuable school community to assist with donations. Suggested items include Christmas decorations, small toy items, non-perishable foods to even the container to put all the goodies in. (Please no alcohol). Please deliver to the front office. Drawn at our end of year award night. The more we get the more chances of a prize. Tickets are only \$1.00 each and booklets of 10 and are attached to next week's newsletter for your convenience. Again return all monies and ticket stubs to the front office, by 9 December 2011.

Thanking you in advance
Jacqui Dobson



5/6 Botanical Art



It was too wet to go to the Garden so Ms Lia came to our classes to teach us about Botanical Art. It is an art form that requires students to examine, in this case, flowering plants. They had to look at the shape of the flower and then to experiment with drawing the flower and its features in detail.

By: Year 5/6 Students

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

WE'RE PREPARED. ARE YOU?

New to the Top End? Come to a free Community Cyclone Briefing.

Find out more on:

- 2011/12 cyclone season forecast
- cyclones and severe thunderstorms
- storm surge zones in Darwin
- Bureau of Meteorology information
- what to do when a Cyclone Watch or Warning is issued
- Emergency Kit essentials
- where to shelter
- protect your electrical items from lightning strike and power surges

Darwin

Wednesday 16 November, 5:30 - 7:00pm
Museum and Art Gallery Northern Territory
Museum Theatre

Palmerston

Thursday 24 November, 6:00 - 7:30pm
Quest Apartments Palmerston
The Boulevard Room

Limited spaces available. Please RSVP to TIO on 8946 2633, email corporaterelations@tiofi.com.au or register online at www.tiofi.com.au



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High Achieving Students in the Top End : Education paths and nurturing talents throughout schooling years

A presentation including dance and music for parents and teachers of primary, middle and secondary students concerned about the children's:

- Educational future in the NT
- Availability of local opportunities to nurture their talents.

The NTAEGT has invited recent local high school graduates with bright futures to give accounts of their own journeys through their Top End schooling years and the local opportunities they discovered to nurture their talents.

Moi! Primary School Guitar Ensemble will open the evening.

Guest Speakers: **Venaska Cheliah**
CDU student: Bachelor of Clinical Science & MBBS
Presentation on South Indian Classical/Contemporary Dance

Situ Valadian
CDU student: Bachelor of Nursing
Presentation on Bollywood Dance

Nikhil Kundu
CDU student: Bachelor of Clinical Science & MBBS
Presentation on NASA visit through NT Space School

NTAEGT will present a brief overview of the educational and academic enrichment opportunities currently available in the Darwin region.

Presentations will be followed by the brief NTAEGT AGM - all most welcome to attend.

An opportunity for an open discussion or to discuss privately with parents and students will follow with refreshments.

When: Tuesday 29 November 2011 at 6.30pm

Where: Moi! Primary School Function Hall (entrance on Moi! Crescent)

Light refreshments will be provided

For further details contact: webmaster@ntaegt.org.au

NTAEGT is a non-profit organisation of parents and other interested people, established to promote the education of gifted students in the Northern Territory and is affiliated with the Australian Association for the Education of Gifted and Talented (AAEGT). The Association endeavours to increase community awareness of the special needs associated with gifted and talented students.

Royal Life Saving

The Royal Life Saving Society Australia NT Branch is conducting their vacation Lifesaving Program. This is a program full of fun, fitness and lifesaving skills for ages 5 years and up. The program will run for 8 days from Monday 16 January - Friday 20 January and Monday 23 January - Wednesday 25 January 2012 inclusive.

For bookings or further information please contact RLSSA - NT on 89815036 or email: sportnt@rlssa.org.au

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