



# Alawa Primary School

## Learning Caring and Sharing

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### Special points of interest:

- Christian Option Monday—Wednesday 9.40—2.40pm
- ANZAC Day assembly Thursday 21 April, 9.00am
- Easter Break holiday Friday 20 April—Monday 25 April
- ANZAC Day public holiday Tuesday 26 April
- 29 April—School Health Surveillance for transition students
- NAPLAN Week 5, 10—13 May
- Drumbeat performance for years 4–6 14 June
- Sports Day Wednesday 15 June 2011



### From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Nominations are now open for the National Excellence in Teaching Awards (NEiTA). The awards provide an opportunity to say a special thank you to inspirational teachers and leaders who demonstrate effectiveness, innovation and excellence in their profession. Nominations close on 29 July 2011. For more information, please call the free help line on 1800 624 487 or visit: [www.neita.com.au](http://www.neita.com.au)

Alawa Primary is the NT Demonstration School for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program. This program relies heavily on volunteer assistance during kitchen lessons and in the garden. Our school farm also relies on volunteers – families who help feed the animals on the weekends and during school holidays. We desperately require volunteers for these programs. If you can spare some time (either on a regular or irregular basis) please contact the front office. We would love to hear from you. From next week, the canteen will not be offering breakfast. Students can still purchase breakfast but this will be provided from the before/after school care room. Another reminder that students are not permitted inside fenced areas after school hours and on weekends. Parents are responsible for ensuring that children are supervised after school hours.

We also have several building sites with projects currently being completed – our BER library and the NT Government funded preschool. These sites are fenced off for safety reasons and it is important that students understand that these are also “out of bounds” areas after school and on weekends.

We will be having a special ANZAC Assembly this Thursday at 9am. All classes will participate and we have a special guest, Corporal Rick Coulson, who will focus on the meaning of ANZAC. We invite all parents to attend this special assembly.

On Thursday we will also be announcing the winner of Guess the number of Easter Eggs in the Jar. We wish students and their families a safe break over the Easter and Anzac Day public holidays. We look forward to students returning on Wednesday 27 April.

Fathma Mauger  
Principal



### Run into Reading

Our reading campaign for term 2 began on Monday. Reading will be happening in the library before school and at recess time. The children are encouraged to take 5 minutes out of their play time to practise their oral reading. When a child reads they will earn a point for their Sports Day Team. CATs will earn 5 points for a session. So encourage your child to improve their reading while supporting their team. Parents are welcome to join us in the mornings.



## Library Chatter



Students have resumed Library classes this week. Please remind your child/ren to return their library book/s. All classes have the same library time, except Miss Jan's class, who now have their library on Monday. If you would like to help in the library at any time (mainly covering books), could you please see me or call. You can call in anytime, for as long as you want. Any help is greatly appreciated.

Happy Reading

Mrs Price

QUOTE: "We read to know we are not alone". CS Lewis Author (The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe)

## Farm, Kitchen and Garden Corner



Well it seems the dry season might be here. We would like to kick it off by opening our garden again every other Thursday. It will be the first Thursday and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month. We will have Thriving Thursday from this Thursday (21 April) from 4-6 pm. You can come to the garden and just have a look or help out. The next dates for this are:

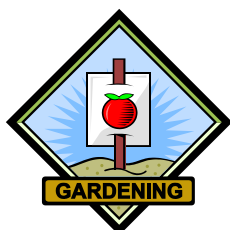
Thursday 21 April

Thursday 5 May

Thursday 19 May

Thursday 2 June

Thursday 16 June



In the kitchen we have been playing some excellent kitchen challenges. This week we will be making Indian curries with eggplant and green banana for the garden or Easter muffins for classes that have shorter lessons due to activities.

## Canteen

As from Wednesday 27 April the canteen will not be selling breakfast. Students can still purchase breakfast, but this will be from the Alawa Outside School Hours Care in room 12.

Canteen Specials for Friday 29th of April

Recess: Rice paper rolls—\$2.50

Fruit Smoothies \$1.50

Lunch:

Chicken and Vegetable Indian Curry with Steamed Rice

Small: \$3.90

Large: \$5.90

Orders please.

Have a nice Easter break everyone

Emma, Flor, Roula and Tara



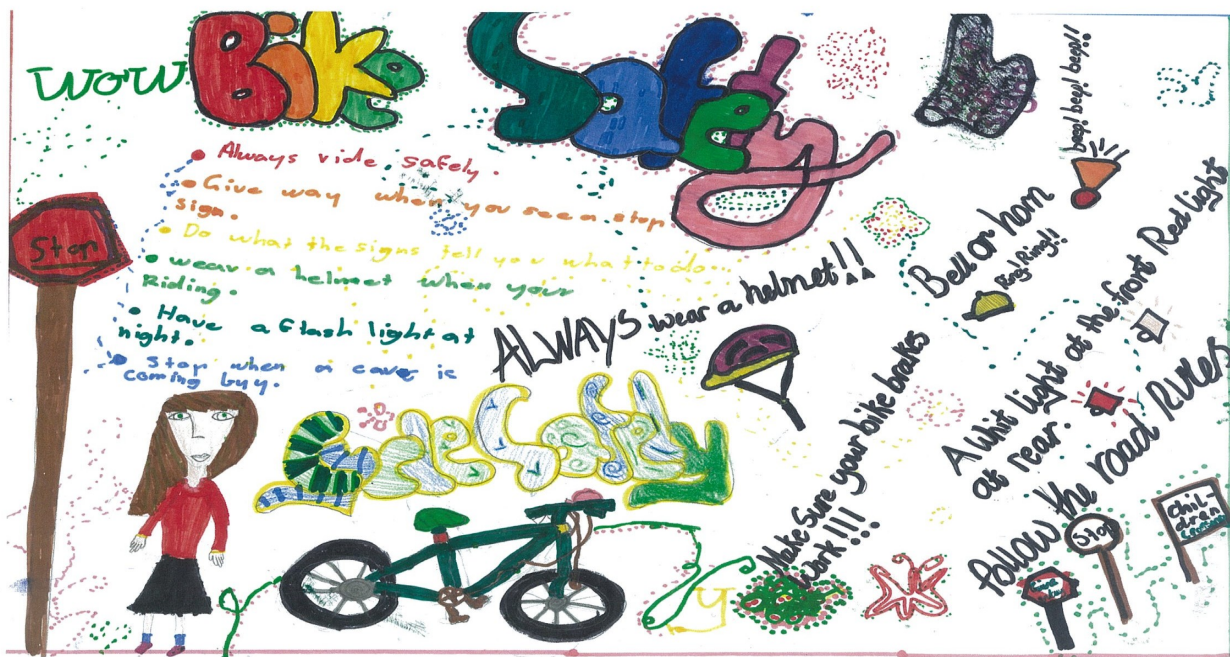
### Alawa School Council

#### Guess the number of Easter Eggs – Win a jar of Eggs!

The guessing jar of eggs is available at the front office.

Guess as many times as you want, costs 50c per guess.

Winner announced on Thursday 21 April. This is a fundraiser organised by the School Council. Your support is appreciated.



### Road Safety



## Classifieds

### Northern Territory Mixed Martial Arts

Northern Territory Mixed Martial Arts is the combination of Kata (Fixed Forms) karate, joint locks, throws, BJJ, Self defence and fitness.

Classes: Monday and Wednesday

3:30 to 4:30 for ages 7-9

4:30 to 5:30 for ages 9 -12

6:00 to 7:30 for Adults

Sunday

1:00 to 2:00 for ages 7 -12

2:00 to 4:00 Grappling

4:00 to 6:00 for Adults

Contact head instructor Sensei Ryan Binks on

0431518127 or

[ryan@ntmma.com](mailto:ryan@ntmma.com) or

[www.ntmmakarate.com](http://www.ntmmakarate.com)

### Looking for a suitable sport for 2011? Think Calisthenics

Calisthenics is a unique Australian sport which helps to develop discipline of mind and body, team work, a competitive spirit and a sense of commitment. The word calisthenics comes from the Greek words 'kallos' for beauty and 'thenos' for strength. Vacancies in all classes aged from 3 years For further information contact Karen on 0408843302 for Palmerston, classes Ursula 042120779 for Jingili classes or [topendcalisthenics.org.au](http://topendcalisthenics.org.au) or [dance@topendcalisthenics.org.au](mailto:dance@topendcalisthenics.org.au)

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## KIDS IN FOCUS

Kids in Focus works with children (birth-12) and families in which substance misuse is present, while simultaneously working to enhance the family's parenting ability through intensive support and encouragement.

**What is Kids in Focus?**  
A therapeutic, evidence-based program designed to build resilience in young people and families affected by substance misuse.

**KIDS IN FOCUS**  
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#### How will Kids in Focus support families?

- Group support for children and families affected by alcohol and other drugs
- Counseling and intervention to support children at risk
- Instilling normalcy and fostering resilience in children
- Supporting parents/carers to parent more effectively
- Collaboratively working to strengthen referral pathways
- Increasing collaboration between service providers, with the government, non-government agencies, peak bodies, and the community

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## MISSING



**This Beautiful bike, loved by its owner  
has been taken from under its home in  
Alawa Crescent.**

It is Maroon in colour and says "cell bikes.com.au" on the frame, and has the model "syrep" in curly writing  
Please ring Emma on 0420204042 if you have seen it any where.

It was taken on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April in the morning.

A reward will be given.