



Alawa Primary School

Learning Caring and Sharing

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For Your diary

- **School Photos**
Wednesday 8 June
- **Sports Day—**
Wednesday 15 June
- **Queen's Birthday**
Holiday—Monday
13 June
- **End of Term—**
Friday 24 June

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From the Principal

Dear Parents,

This weekend 4th and 5th June, Alawa Primary will have a stall at the Sustainable Living Festival at the Botanical Gardens. It will be information about the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program as well as promoting our need for volunteers. We desperately need parents to add their name to the stall roster (just for an hour or two). Please contact the front office if you can assist on the stall.

Thank you to all staff, parents and volunteers who supported our Australia's Biggest Morning Tea last Thursday. We raised \$73.60. This fundraiser plays a vital role in raising money towards Cancer Council's work in research, education, prevention and support. A reminder to parents that student school packs (stationary and other essential items for the farm/kitchen/garden programs) are \$50 (Strong Beginnings) and \$75 (Ignition and Self Learners). These costs were endorsed by Alawa School Council at the end of last year. School Council has also suggested \$60 for voluntary parent contributions. Many thanks to those parents who have already made voluntary parent contributions to the school as these funds certainly assist to provide additional classroom resources and materials for students.

This week's assembly will be hosted by 3/4 Cox. Parents are welcome to attend.

Fathma Mauger
Principal

School Photos

Individual photo envelopes went home last Tuesday, if you are intending to purchase please fill out the details and place money inside and seal the envelope. This needs to be returned to school as soon as possible. The latest day being Tuesday 7 June.

Sibling photo envelopes can be obtained from the front office.



Library Chatter



Bookclub has been ordered and it will arrive in about a 7-10 days. Thankyou to those families who support BookClub, as we benefit by receiving books for the library with our reward points and your child/ren get to read some wonderful books. The library has been purring along each morning and recess with Ms Deb and her CATS. From my perspective, they are doing such a great job. The reading levels for students are soaring and Ms Deb is such a great role model – always encouraging and giving to the students. Well done everyone.

QUOTE: “So please, oh PLEASE, we beg, we pray, go throw your TV set away, and in its place you can install, a lovely bookshelf on the wall.”

Roald Dahl, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Farm, Kitchen and Garden Corner

This week is Thriving Thursday 4-6pm. Please come along, we would love to see you. We have been using our new outdoor eating area and making some lovely risottos, frittatas, snake bean salads and



Canteen

Canteen specials for:

Friday 3/06/11

Recess—Rice Paper Rolls \$2.50

Lunch—Chicken Enchilada Wraps \$4.00

Monday 6/06/11

Recess—Chicken Sausage Rolls \$2.50

Lunch—Beef Burger \$5.00



June 4th & 5th 2011 George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens

'Green - Life Balance'

9am - 8pm Saturday
9am - 5pm Sunday

Entry \$6 per adult
Children under 12 FREE
Pensioner Concession

**FREE KIDS
FUN & GAMES**
Kids don't forget
your bathers for the
water slide!!



World
Environment Day
GREEN GIG
Saturday 4th June
with **LEAH FLANAGAN**
Music starts from 5pm

Expert gardening and environmental guests include:
Gardening advice from Costa from 'Costa's Gardening Odyssey'
George and Serge Negus talking sustainability
Leonie Norrington, Mark Ogge from Beyond Zero Emissions
and some of the Top End's great gardeners and environmental experts.

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City Library

Tuesday 14 June, 7.30 to 9.00pm – Free event

An insight into what teenagers want from their parents and, importantly, heaps of ideas about how adults can engage positively with young people.

Professional Development – Working with Today's Parents

Casuarina Library

Wednesday 15 June, 12.30 to 2.00pm – Cost: \$15

Recommended to anyone who is engaged in a working relationship with our parent community.

Thriving! The Seminar

Casuarina Library

Wednesday 15 June, 7.30 to 9.00pm – Free event

Raising exceptional kids with confidence, character and resilience – the new roadmap for parents of 3 to 12 year olds.

Michael Grose is one of Australia's most popular parenting and educational presenters. He is the author of eight books, Body & Soul columnist for News Limited and regularly appears on Channel 9's Today Show.

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