

ALAWA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



TERM 3 WEEK 9
11TH SEPTEMBER
2024

Leadership Message

Dates to Remember

- Friday 20th September- Last day of Term 3
- Tuesday 8th October - First day of Term 4

THANK
YOU

A huge shoutout to
all the amazing
helpers who made
the ALLElympics a
smashing success!
You rock!

Dear Alawa Community,

Less than 2 weeks to go until Term 3 is over and what a busy term it has been! Lots of tired faces around the school.

Our Term 3 event, the ALLElympics, was a tremendous success! The competition was fierce, the sportsmanship exemplary, and the energy throughout the night was exciting. Well done to the winning team, 4/5 Chamberlain, I may join you for your hour of free time! Students from all year levels showcased their talents and dancing skills on the big stage, making it a memorable occasion for everyone involved. Special thanks to all our volunteers, teachers, and families who supported the event and contributed to its success. A huge thankyou to Sara-Beth from Royal Existence! The students really enjoyed their dance lessons leading up to the event.

As we approach the end of Term 3, we are excited about our upcoming event. The Table Tennis Gala Day, scheduled for Week 10, promises to be a fantastic opportunity for students to demonstrate their skills and enjoy some friendly competition. We encourage all year 5 & 6 students to return their forms by the end of this week.

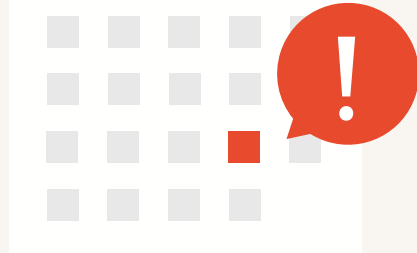
Thank you for your continued support throughout the term. We look forward to a strong finish and a well-deserved break.

Jed Henderson
[Assistant Principal
of the Best School in the Multiverse]





CALENDAR OF EVENTS



**DONT
FORGET**



Thursday 19th September	Young Achievers at DMS	All day
Friday 20th September	Table Tennis Gala Day Assembly hosted by Transition / Year 1 McGrath Last day of Term 3	All day 8:40am - 9:15am All day
Monday 7th October	Professional Development Day	All day
Tuesday 8th October	First day of Term 4 School resumes for students	All day
Thursday 17th October	DMS - Additional Orientation Session	TBA
Friday 18th October	Lego League Regional Tournament	All day
Monday 21st October	School Council Meeting	5:30pm - 7:00pm
Thursday 24th October	DMS - Additional Orientation Session Year 5/6's visiting the Parliament House	TBA
Friday 25th October	Assembly hosted by 5/6 Horigan	8:40am - 9:15am
Thursday 31st October	DMS - Additional Orientation Session	TBA
Sunday 2nd November	Farm Working Bee	TBA

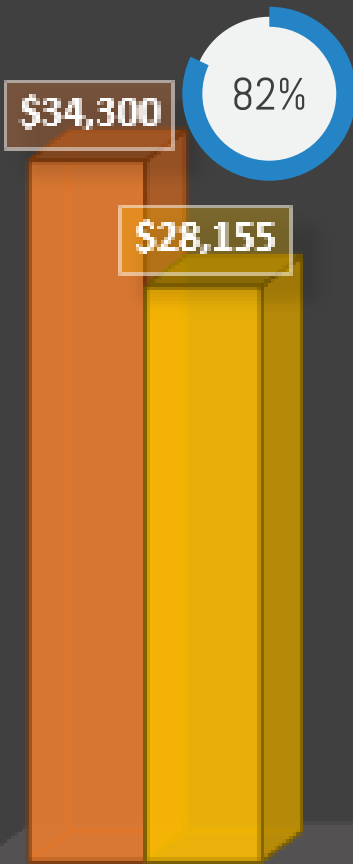


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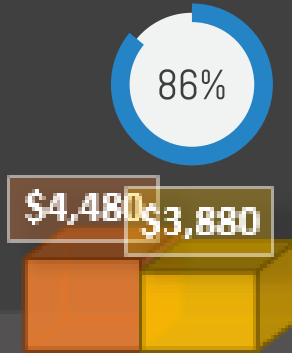
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2024 SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

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KITCHEN



PARENT CONTRIBUTIONS HELP ALAWA PRIMARY SCHOOL TO BE THE BEST SCHOOL IN THE MULTIVERSE, BY PROVIDING A WIDE RANGE OF EQUIPMENT AND CONSUMABLES, INCLUDING LIBRARY BOOKS, LITERACY AND NUMERACY RESOURCES, ICT EQUIPMENT AND ART AND CRAFT SUPPLIES.



DSM NEWS

Term 3 has flown by so quickly! It has been lovely to check in with many of our Defence families regarding their movements over the next term and upcoming school year. If I haven't had a chance to speak with you, please reach out this week. If I know that your family has an upcoming deployment, posting or parent away on course, I am better equipped to provide your child with any extra care that they may need during these changes.

Last week at Defence Kids Club, we chilled out and coloured in some Olympic themed colouring sheets in honour of the ALLElympics. The performance evening was a fantastic night, and it was a great opportunity to connect with so many of our families (and of course watch the gorgeous dances that the kids had been busy practicing!).

The next child of the ADF Medallion will be held on Saturday, 19th October 2024 at the RAAF Base Darwin cinema, from 10:00am till 11:30am. The Child of the ADF Medallion (CoADFM) will be presented to children who have shown resilience and growth in managing the challenges of the ADF lifestyle. Participation in the Child of the ADF Medallion Program is open to all Defence resident family children aged 18 years and under, of full time ADF members (SERCAT 6/7 and SERVOP C), who have experienced one or more of the following;

- Managing a relocation
- Connecting to a new community following relocation
- Managing a lengthy absence or frequent absences of the service requirements
- Absence of ADF member due to short notice posting, deployment or exercise



Each child can only receive the medallion once. You can access tickets to the event [here](#). I won't be here at Alawa next week as I am taking Week 10 off this term to meet my family over in Canada for a holiday.

Due to this, there will be no Defence Kids Club next Wednesday lunchtime. Please reach out this week, if you have any concerns. Otherwise, I'll see you again next term!

Laura Thiele [Defence School Mentor]



4/5 DANIELS NEWS



It has been a busy few weeks in 4/5 Daniels.

We have had our student led conferences, the Year 4's attended 3/4 Camp at Territory Wildlife Park and we also had the ALLElympics which was such a great success.

Here are a few things that some of the students from 4/5 Daniels have enjoyed.



Breanna W: I liked watching everyone dance. They were all very good!
Lestari S: On camp I liked doing the obstacle course vs race activity.

Angus F-W: At the student led conference I enjoyed making and presenting the slides about my learning to my parents.

Skylah H: I enjoyed the dance. It was fun.

Stella S: When we were on camp I enjoyed catching the toads, the food was good and I liked the rotations.

Marlow: At the Alley Olympics I liked the dance and challenges

Henry V: I enjoyed the Allelympics because of the activities.

Darcy R: At camp I liked having some free time where we got to kick the footy with Mr Daniels and at the Allelympics I liked doing the dance.





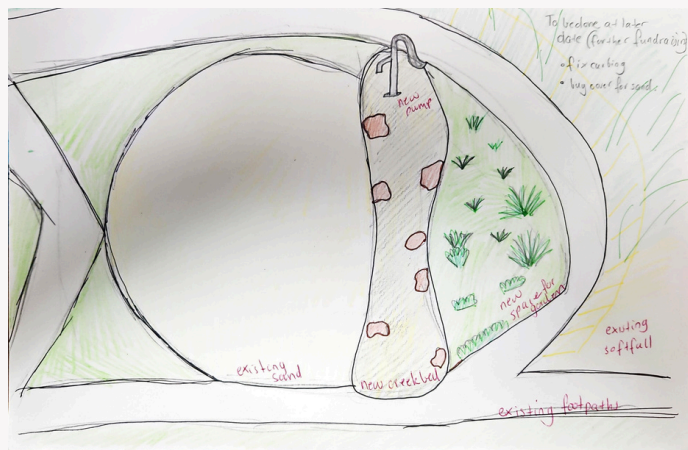
PRESCHOOL NEWS

Fundraising Update

Thanks so much to all the preschool families who participated in the Bike-a-thon. We raised a grand total of..... **\$2593.50!!**

A special mention to Niamh, Florance, Gus AF, Koa, Willow and Rumi who all won prizes for being the children who raised the most money.

We are so proud of everyone in preschools achievements! We are fundraising to build a water pump and dry creek bed into the sandpit so the children can access more sensory play.



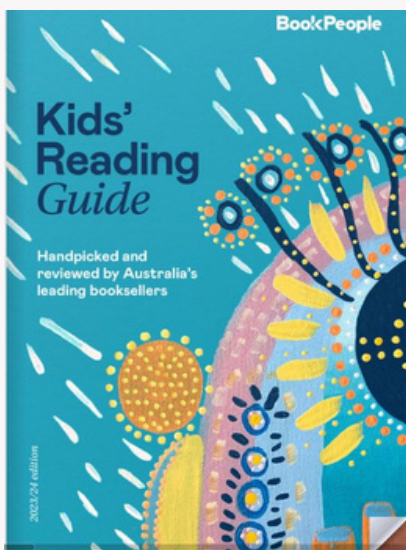
In total we now have \$9013.50, to build the sandpit upgrade. We need \$16 000 in total to start and complete the project so are on the hunt for any grants to apply for that might put us over the line.

Ms Henschke, Ms Churchman, Ms Kelly, Ms Flor, Ms Katie
[The Preschool Team]

LIBRARY NEWS

With the school term break fast approaching I thought I would have a look to see what Book reading lists are out there. On my search I stumbled across the following fantastic list of books which have been chosen and reviewed by Australian Booksellers. Specifically chosen for children categories include Baby and Toddler, Picture Books, Junior and Middle Fiction, Almost [and] Young Adult. If your child loves to make and do the Things to know and do category has books on drawing, food and cooking, a travel journal, the night sky, nature including plants and animals and so much more.

<https://www.bookpeople.org.au/readingguides/2023-24-kids-reading-guide>



Check out the Palmerston/Darwin City Libraries, The Bookshop Darwin, QBD, Big W, Target and Kmart for copies of the books. Happy reading and creating. I would love to hear if you found a favourite this holidays 😊



Happy reading
Ms Sacha [Library/ICT]



KITCHEN NEWS



It's hard to believe we are almost at the end of the term.

We continued our journey around the culinary world with a few new countries. In **Week 7** the **3/4** and **year 3** classes created delicious Scottish shortbread biscuits. The **VIP** students did some great cooking of brownies, cupcakes, jam drops and pineapple slice with a pineapple from the farm while their classmates were on camp.

In **Week 8**, we ventured to Japan and made yummy sushi. We did **3** types, teriyaki chicken, tuna, corn and mayo mix and avocado, cucumber and carrot. The sushi was a big hit.

In the next few weeks we will be making some delicious wontons and dumplings from China and finishing off with apple pastries from France. I have been dehydrating blue pea flowers from the farm to make a blue powder which can be used as a safe food colouring. I'm going to be using this to make blue ice cream to go with the apple pastries which should be fun.

If it is successful we may sell some through the office

Tina Stratton
[Kitchen Teacher]



SCHOOL STUDENT BROADBAND INITIATIVE

Supporting eligible families in accessing free internet via the Australian Governments SSBI. Families have until **31st December 2024** to register.

Follow the link below to see if you qualify and get any additional information.

[Register for SSBI](#)

DO YOU QUALIFY FOR FREE HOME INTERNET?

If there is a school age student at your home and you don't have an rbn connection, you could qualify for free home internet until the end of 2025.

School Student Broadband Initiative
An Australian Government Initiative

FREE HOME INTERNET FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

This is an Australian Government program that offers free home internet to families and carers who look after school age children and are struggling to pay the bills.

To apply, follow the four steps below:

- 1 Contact the National Referral Centre on **1800 954 610** Monday - Friday, 10am - 6pm (AEDT) or visit angicarevic.org.au/student-internet
- 2 They'll ask you some questions to see if this offer is right for you.
- 3 If you qualify, you'll get a voucher.
- 4 Use the voucher to connect through your chosen participating internet provider before 31 December 2024.

THE BEST PART IS

- Free home internet until 31 December 2025
- The Wi-Fi router is free and you can keep it
- There is no lock-in contract
- Assistance provided by the National Referral Centre
- Callback, watchdog and integrations are available

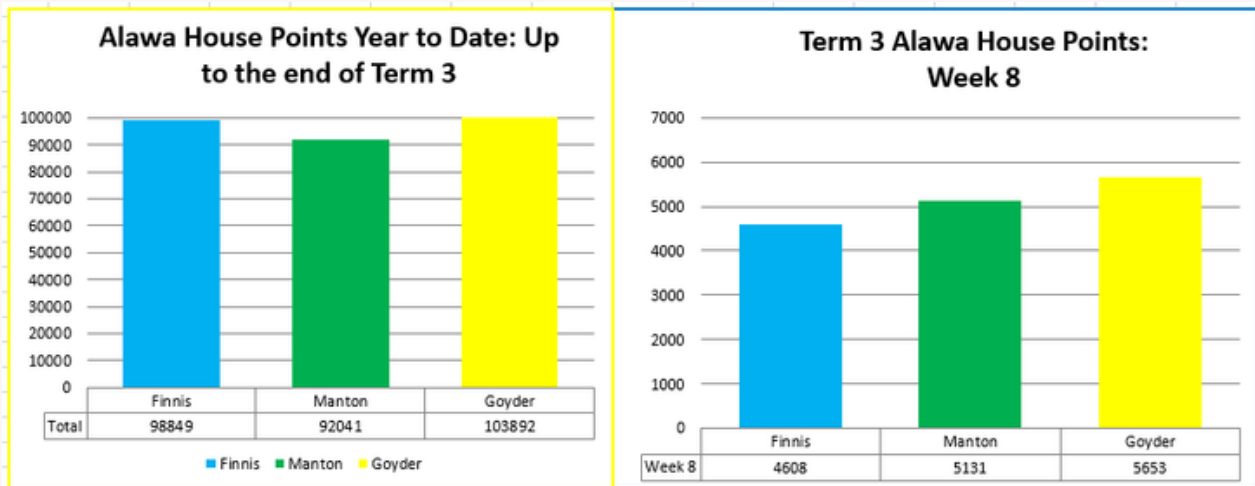
As an Australian Government Initiative

HOUSE POINTS

Students at Alawa receive raffle tickets [house points] for their attitude and behaviour in the playground and out the front of the school at the end of the day. Points are then counted on a Friday along with the points for students in full uniform, wearing house shirts etc.

At the end of each term, we also include the point's earnt through the recycling project and water bottle checks. Parents can also earn points for their houses by volunteering at the school- Whether it's in the kitchen, the farm, the library, the canteen or even in the classroom, parents can earn 100 points each time they volunteer. Make contact with your classroom teacher or the front office to find out more information.

**In Week 8 of Term 3 Goyder was ahead with 5653 points!
In the lead for the Year to date is Goyder with 103892 points!**

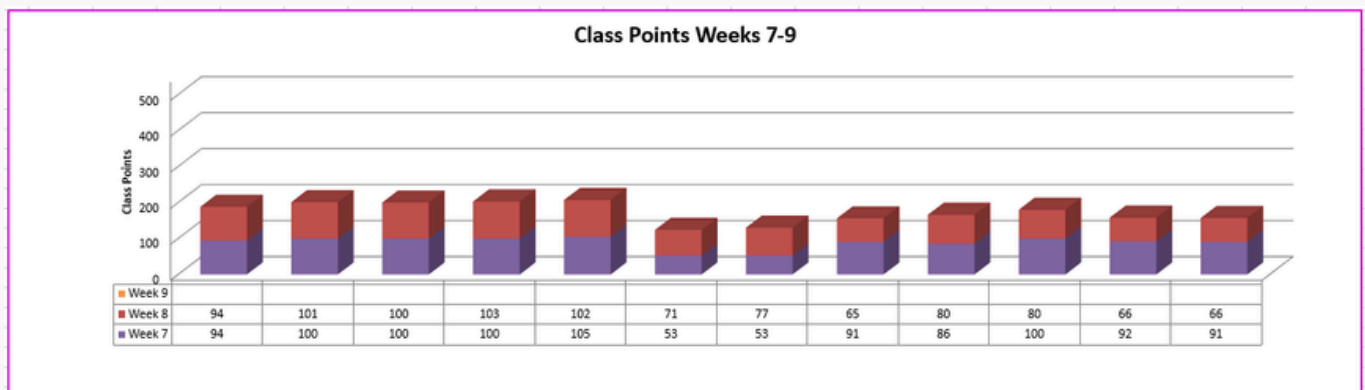


CLASS POINTS

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.

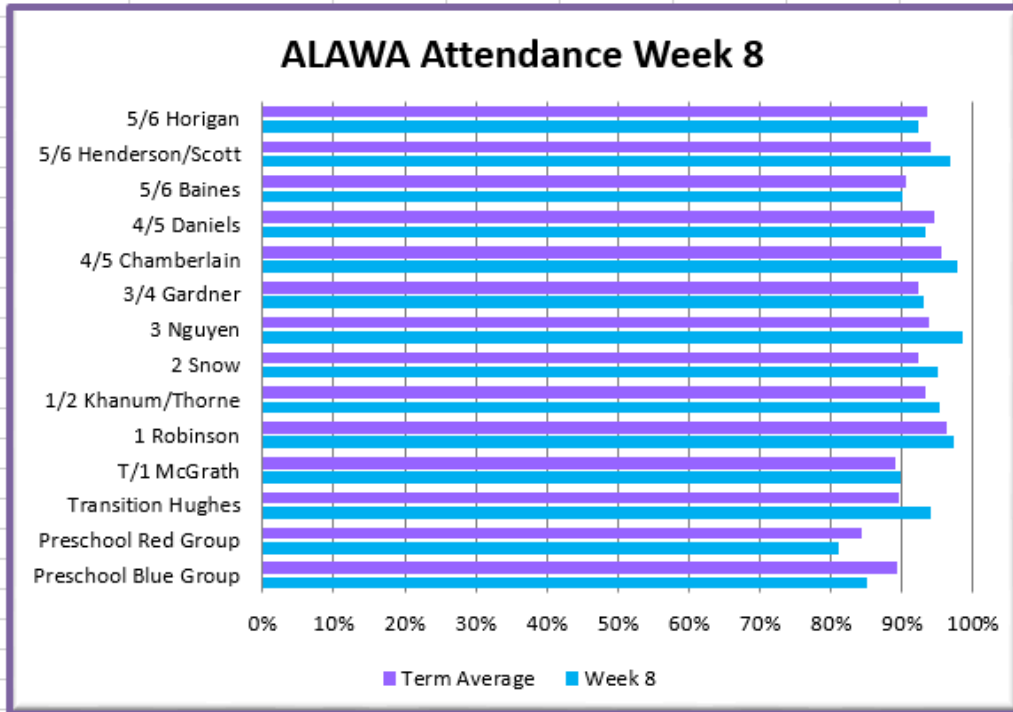
Each week we allocate class points during Muster time recognising those students who were ready and waiting to go back to class calmly and quietly after break times. The winning class from each 3 weeks will receive ice-blocks from our Principal and get to choose 3 songs that will play before our bells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

The class with the most points in Week 8 of Term 3 was...1/2 Khanum-Thorne with 103 points!!!



ATTENDANCE

Primary School Average for Week 8 Term 3: 92.78%
 The class with the highest attendance for Week 7:
3 Nguyen with 98.57%!!! Amazing job!!!



Family holidays / absences during school time:
 We request that any families who are considering holidays or being away during school time discuss this as early as possible [at least a weeks notice] with the Principal or Assistant Principal so a program of work can be negotiated [for a limited period of time not extended]. If this does not happen according to departmental guidelines the absences are recorded as unacceptable in the student administration system.

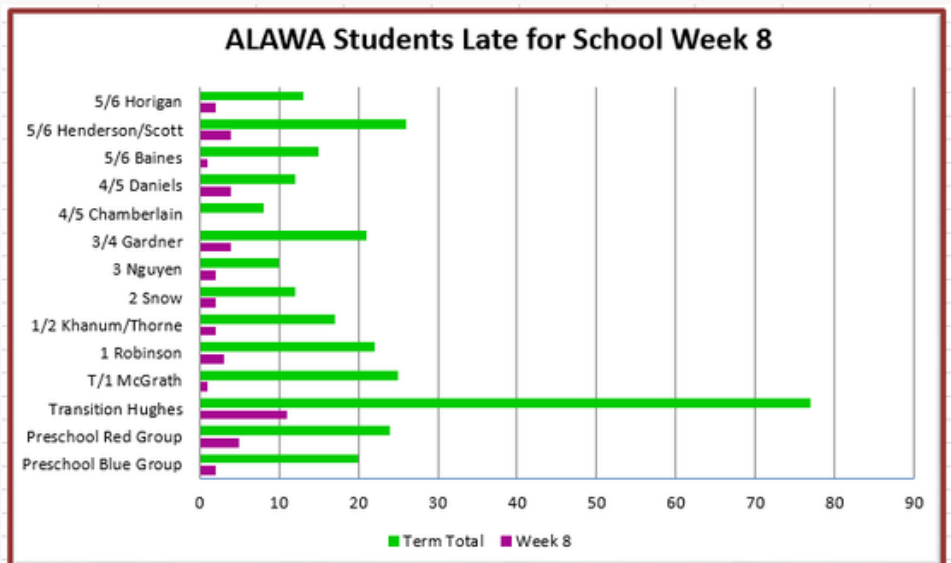
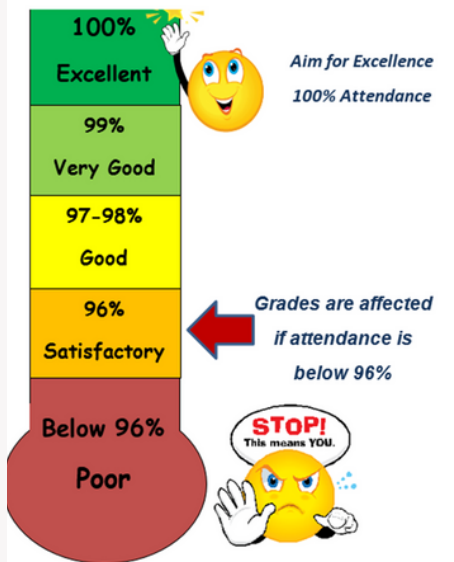
LATES

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

There were 43 lates in Week 7!

For Week 8 it was fabulouso to see 4/5 Chamberlain with no lates this week.

ATTENDANCE

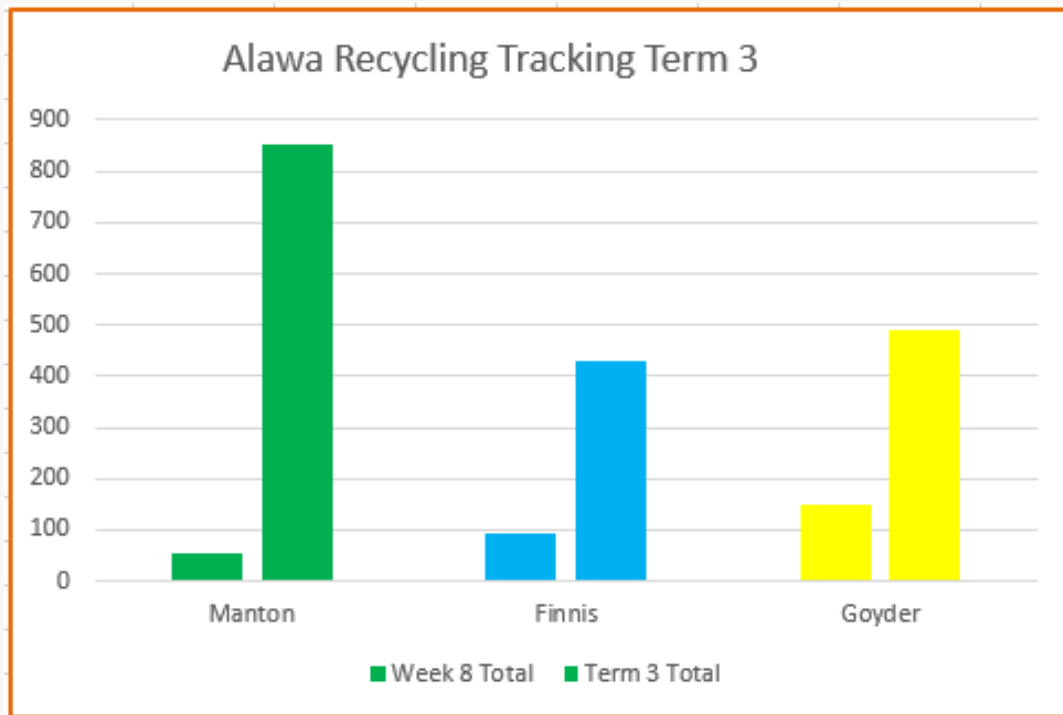


RECYCLING



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.

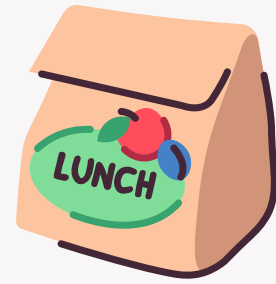
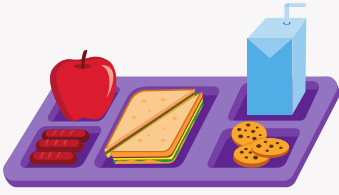


SPORTS VOUCHER SCHEME

All children enrolled in school [Transition to Year 12] are eligible to apply for a \$100.00 Sports Voucher per semester.

For more information or to apply for the Sports Vouchers Scheme please visit the link below:

[SPORT VOUCHERS ONLINE](http://www.sportvoucher.nt.gov.au)



Place your canteen orders online with Spriggy Schools

We are excited to announce the introduction of a new online lunch ordering system called Spriggy Schools from 01/08/2024.- Menu will be available to purchase on Thursday & Friday's LUNCH ONLY at this stage and will be delivered to the school.

Spriggy Schools will make lunch orders more convenient for both families and the canteen.

Steps to get started:

1. Go to www.spriggyschools.com.au to register and download the app.
2. Add a profile for each of your children, making sure you select Alawa Primary School and your child's class.
3. Start placing lunch orders!

If you have any questions, please contact Spriggy Schools via their webchat on the website or in the app.

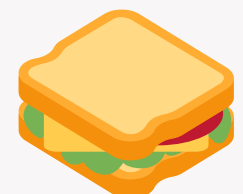
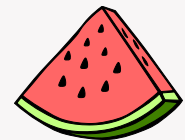


Beyond Catering NT

CHILDS TEACHER/CLASS:

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE

STANDARD LUNCH PACK #A - Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Piece of Fruit & Popcorn (V) (GF AVAILABLE)	\$6.50
STANDARD LUNCH PACK #B - Chicken & Cheese Sandwich, Piece of Fruit & Popcorn (H) (GF AVAILABLE)	\$6.50
STANDARD LUNCH PACK #C - Vegetarian & Hummus Sandwich, Piece of Fruit & Popcorn (V)(H) (GF AVAILABLE)	\$6.00
Tandoori chicken wrap	\$6.00
HOT SELECTION, COLD SELECTION, EXTRAS & ADD ON MEALS	
North Indian Butter Chicken with Steamed Jasmine Rice (H) (GF)	\$6.75
Chinese Chicken Egg & Vegetable Fried Rice (H)(GF)(DF)	\$6.75
Cheesy tomato and penne pasta (V)	\$6.00
Mexican burrito	\$6.50
Straight up Hot Dog - Plain / no sauce	\$4.50
Saucy Hot Dog - with sauce only	\$4.75
Cheesy Hot Dog - With cheese / no sauce	\$5.00
Loaded Hot Dog - With cheese and tomato sauce	\$5.50
Chicken Dino Nuggets - Each	\$0.75
Sauce - Tomato Squeeze	\$0.50
Sauce - BBQ Squeeze	\$0.50
Mini chips	\$1.00
Fresh Fruit Salad Pot - In-Season Fruit, Low Fat Yogurt & Granola	\$4.50
Fresh Watermelon Cup (GF)	\$1.75
Dairy free banana bread (df)	\$3.50
Blueberry Muffin	\$3.50
Japanese Homemade Chicken & Avocado Sushi with Soy Sauce (H)(GF)(DF)	\$5.50
Japanese Homemade Tuna & Avocado Sushi with Soy Sauce(GF)(DF)	\$5.00
Japanese Homemade Vegetarian Sushi with Soy Sauce(V)(GF)(DF)	\$5.00
Steamed Chicken Caesar Salad with Croutons, Bacon, & Iceberg Lettuce (H)	\$6.00
DRINKS	
Water	\$2.50
Nippy's Chocolate Milk	\$4.00
Nippy's Strawberry Milk	\$4.00
Golden Circle Popper Juice Bar - Tropical	\$3.50
Golden Circle Popper Juice Bar - Apple & Blackcurrant	\$3.50
(V) - Vegetarian	(H) - Halal
(GF) - Gluten Free	(DF) - Dairy Free



COMMUNITY NOTICES



PLAY LEAGUE STARS:

WHEN: 25/9/2024 - 26/9/2024
 TIME: Wednesday 5.15pm - 6.45pm
 WHERE: TRL Stadium, 105 Abala Rd Marrara NT
 BOY'S HOLIDAY PROGRAM
 leaguestars - postcode 0812



PLAY LEAGUE STARS:

WHEN: 23/9/2024 - 24/9/2024
 TIME: Monday 5.15pm - 6.45pm
 WHERE: TRL Stadium, 105 Abala Rd Marrara NT
 GIRL'S ONLY HOLIDAY PROGRAM
 leaguestars - postcode 0812



MARRARA ON SHOW

FRIDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER
 5:30-8:00PM

- Family Entertainment
- Food stalls
- Art exhibitions
- Live music
- Student Work Showcase
- Twilight Tours
- Marrara Market
- Much More



Support Alba and her Scrunchie making at the Marrara Show



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Trainings Tuesday & Thursdays

U 5's - U 17's - BOYS & GIRLS

TRAINING STARTS
SEPTEMBER 24TH

Uni Pirates Oval- Corner of Lakeside Drive & Dripstone Road

Join the Facebook page University Pirates Rugby Union Football Club Inc. or email the office at: office.unipirates@gmail.com for further information

#APIRATESLIFEFORME

Integrated disAbility Action Inc. presents

COMMUNITY FUN DAY

TUESDAY 24TH
 SEPTEMBER
 9AM - 1PM
 Palmerston Recreation Centre

All Abilities Come-n-Try



FREE FAMILY EVENT

MULTI SPORTS

COME-N-TRY SESSIONS

WHEELCHAIR SPORTS

WHAT'S ON

- > all-ability participation
- > children's entertainment
- > games & clinics
- > fun for the whole family
- > free BBQ & drink
- > accessible venue
- > infant & toddler play area

FACE PAINTING & BALLOONS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

REGISTER HERE



FOR INFORMATION CONTACT
 events@idainc.org.au

