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Newsletter Week 8 Term 4 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Confident

This newsletter marks the end of the school year. 2023 has been a big year for Acacia Hill, marking its 40th year in August. I thank everyone involved in making it the great school it is today. This was particularly evident at the Student Award assemblies held this week. Every student was awarded a prize in recognition of the progress made during the year. Thank you for taking the time from your busy schedules to attend. It meant such a lot to both students and staff.

Next week we will host more significant events:

Community

On Tuesday 5th December from 10am, Cheryle Edwards and I will host an information session about the On Country Learning Measures plan for 2024, made possible by Australian Government funding. If you are interested to know please join us for morning tea and the opportunity to ask questions. If you need transport, please let Cheryle know.

On Wednesday 6th December, Acacia Hill will host a special morning tea for our wonderful supporters who have done so much for our school during the year. We value the generous contributions made and the time and spirit shared in helping our students achieve.

On Friday 8th December we will celebrate our Year 6s' graduation from Primary School. This is a huge milestone for 10 Acacia Hill students, and we are all immensely proud of their achievement.

The end of a school year usually means farewell to staff and this year is no exception. We farewell the following staff:

- Diana Hutchins
- Heather Jeffries
- Ronnie Hagan
- Aliness Phiri
- Meshack Kosgei
- Kate Burbeck
- Adam Mitchell

On behalf of everyone at Acacia Hill, I thank for your service and unwavering dedication to provide the very best opportunities for our students.

After only eight weeks I have seen so much growth and potential for our students and our school. To those students and families leaving Acacia Hill, I wish you the very best for the next chapter of your educational journey. For those of you staying, I look forward to seeing you in 2024!



NDIS Therapists

Please be reminded that NDIS therapists must be registered NDIS providers in order to apply to work in NT Government schools.

DATES COMING UP

- 11:00am Friday 8 December Year 6 Graduation Assembly
- Thursday 14/12/2023 last day of school for students
- 1:30-2:30pm Thursday 14 December School Concert
- Friday 15/12/2023 Staff PD Day for Teachers

Website: https://www.acaciahill.nt.edu.au/

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/Acacia-Hill-School-101999724805228/

Allergy Alert: students at Acacia Hill have nut allergies and other serious eating conditions

Congratulations to our Staff



This week we celebrate the achievements of three dedicated staff members who have recently completed their Certificate IV in School-Based Education Support. This week, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Tania, Neelima, and Mel for their commitment and hard work in attaining this significant milestone. Their accomplishment not only showcases their personal dedication to professional growth but also enhances the quality of support they provide to our students. We are proud to have such passionate educators contributing to the educational environment at our school. Keep watching this space some more extraordinary staff are well on their way to finishing.



Health and Wellbeing

Please remember to keep your child at home if they are unwell. The table below contains information about periods of exclusion from school for some common medical conditions. I appreciate your assistance in ensuring everyone can stay healthy at school.

| Condition | Minimum period of exclusion from school |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Conjunctivitis | Exclude until discharge from eyes has ceased or doctor says its okay to resume school. |
| Scabies, Ringworm | Exclude until the day after appropriate treatment has commenced. |
| Diarrhoea (no organism identified) | Exclude until there has not been vomiting or a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. |
| Viral Gastroenteritis | Exclude until there has not been vomiting or a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. |
| Influenza like conditions | Exclude until well. |
| School Sores/Impetigo | Exclude until appropriate treatment has commenced. Sores on exposed surfaces must be covered with a watertight dressing. |
| COVID | Exclude if there are any symptoms, even if mild. |

Wounds and sores on exposed parts of the body must be covered with a watertight dressing before coming to school to prevent infection.

Cae Ashton

Principal



Room 9

Students have enjoyed making edible slime, sensory play with water and sand and learning how to play the ukulele. Lennox joined our class in Week 4 and he and Kenji have become lovely friends. Kenji left early for his summer holidays last week but Lennox will be pleased to see his friend back at school again next year. Lastly, we are wishing Alex and his family well with their move interstate.

Kate





<u>Room 18</u>

Hi

Seniors during Men's shed activities every Friday. Here they are helping in filling up and levelling the sand pits for the young kids.

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<u>Room 19</u>

Larapinta Year 5 and 6 hosted a carnival for the School. Here is Room 19 enjoying and showing their skills at the carnival. Also, Kingston decorating our Christmas Tree.

Kindest regards and thanks,

Jo



Support for Families and contact details

Autism Advisory Line: 24/7; Run by families of children with autism; 1300 22 777

Autism NT: 8948 4424; NT Mental Health Line: 1800 682 288; E-headspace: 1800 650 890; Kidshelpline: 1800 55 1800

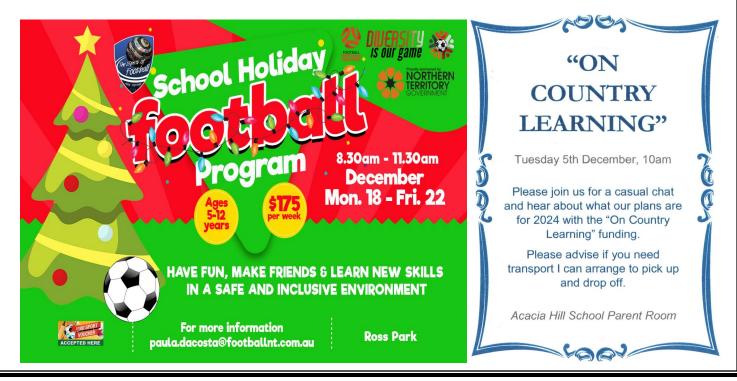
FACES: 8:00AM-8:00PM Monday to Friday; parenting support, budgeting support; Referral for services; 1800 999 900

Parentline: Access to counsellors Monday to Friday 8:00am-10:00pm; 1300 301 300

13 YARN counselling (First Nations): 13 92 76

<u>Relationships Australia</u> sometimes sees children if they have the capacity to cater for the individual. There is a phone intake process in which they determine if they have the capacity. Family must pay for the service. The fee varies according to family income. Contact number is 8950 4100.

<u>Dolly's Dream Support Line</u> is now available to families and students 24/7, providing them with access to qualified counsellors for free and without a referral. To access this service, call or text 0488 881 033 or use this webchat.



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2023-24 ALICE SPRINGS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

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The Aquatic and Leisure Centre is offering the record-breaking Wet Wednesday splash party right through the summer break, and the biggest day out in Alice at the Australia Day Pool Party. Loads of activities and a free BBQ at each event Contact: info@asalc.com.au

Family Ice Skating

Ice skating in the desert...what more is there to say?! 4 x 1 hr sessions weekdays from 08/01/24 to 25/01/24. Bookings essential. Contact: 0419 777 689

Ten-pin lock-in

Every Friday night is bowling night at the Dust Bowl. It's a lock in from 6-8pm with light food and refreshments available Contact: 0419 777 689

Late Night @ GAP Drop in! Computer room, music room, 3 x 3 basketball. Xbox, food and

transport home Contact: 0417 468 502 Brown St Youth Service

Lots of activities including Xbox, 8 ball, soccer, 'girls' room, boys' gym, 3 x 3 basketball arts and craft food and transport home Contact: 0490 747 341

Want to find out the latest. or what's on in communities?

Scan the code or visit nt.gov.au/school-holiday-events



Alice Springs Cinema

The Alice Springs Cinema is the cool place to be over summer with Youth Groups Movie Nights and Family Movie Nights showing latest releases and classics. Check cinema for details. Bookings essential. Contact: 8953 2888

The V

The Y ramps up over summer with a range of great activities including all-abilities `Wheels Up' wheelchai sports and Get Out Get Active (\$7 pp fee applies) on the rock wall, bubble soccer and obstacle course. Contact: 8952 5666

Better Bodies

Learn to play squash, get fit, have fun and feel good! All equipment provided and coaching for all levels. Contact: 0419 419 001

ASTC Library

ages including frisbee golf in the park and bike clinics. Check out their complete calendar at facebook.com/ASPLibrary or call 8950 0555

Check out the Art Ship in Todd Mall with great activities operating most days through the holidays. There's art, movies, gaming and pizza, social days or just hang out.

Lots of activities in the library to suit all

Art Ship

Contact: 0419 777 689

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\$7 pp

3 x 3 Basketball 6-8pm

Check out these services running during the school holidays, from Friday 15 December.

LATE NIGHT @ GAP 91-93 Gap Rd, 7 days a week, 3.30pm-10.30pm, closed Christmas Day. Contact: 0417 468 502

BROWN ST DROP IN AND DISCO 3 Brown St, 7 days a week,

Sunday to Thursday 5pm-9.30pm, Friday and Saturday 5.30pm-11.30pm, closed Christmas Day. Contact: 0491 087 732

MONDAY **18 DECEMBER**

Better Bodies 9.30am

Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001 CASSE Workshop

TUESDAY

Better Bodies

Artship Movie

Skate Workshop

Family Movie Night

THURSDAY

Better Bodies

0419 419 001

Artship Art

0419 777 689

1-3pm

4-6pm

6-8pm

Anzac Oval

0419 777 689

8953 2888

9.30am

21 DECEMBER

Get Physical Squash

Art Ship Todd Mall

Youth Groups Movie Night

Alice Springs Cinema

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Redtails Sports Program

19 DECEMBER

1-3pm Desert Knowledge 0419 777 689 **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

Arrernte Boxing 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

Artship Gaming and Pizza 6-8pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

WEDNESDAY 20 DECEMBER

Better Bodies

9.30am 0419 419 001

Wet Wednesday

1-6pm The Pool – ASALC

Get Out Get Active

The Y Sadadeen 8952 5666

FRIDAY **22 DECEMBER**

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Artship Social 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Arrente Boxing 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

Get Out Get Active 5-7pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp 8952 5666

Ten-pin lock-in 6-8pm The Dust Bowl 0419 777 689

THURSDAY 28 DECEMBER

Artship Art 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Youth Groups Movie Night 4-6pm Alice Springs Cinema 8953 2888 **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

Redtails Sports Program 6-8pm Anzac Oval 0419 777 689

TUESDAY **2 JANUARY**

Better Bodies Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001 Artship Movie 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall

TUESDAY **26 DECEMBER**

Family Movie Night

WEDNESDAY **27 DECEMBER**

Wet Wednesday 1-6pm The Pool – ASALC info@asalc.com.au

3 x 3 Basketball 6-8pm Yipirinya School Araluen 0419 777 689

FRIDAY 29 DECEMBER

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Artship Social 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Arrente Boxing 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

Ten-pin lock-in 6-8pm The Dust Bowl 0419 777 689

Library in the Park **Frisbee Golf** 4-6pm Ross Park 8950 0555

Family Movie Night 4-6pm Alice Springs Cinema **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

Skate Workshop 4-8pm

WEDNESDAY **3 JANUARY**

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Wet Wednesday 1-6pm The Pool – ASALC info@asalc.com.au

3 x 3 Basketball 6-8pm Yipirinya School Araluen 0419 777 689

FRIDAY **5 JANUARY**

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Artship Social 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Arrernte Boxina 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

Ten-pin lock-in 6-8pm The Dust Bowl 0419 777 689



Get Out Get Active 11am-1pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp 8952 5666

THURSDAY **4 JANUARY**

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Bike Clinic 10am-12pm The Library **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL** 8950 0555

Artship Art 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Youth Groups Movie Night 4-6pm Alice Springs Cinema 8953 2888 **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

Get Out Get Active 5-7pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp 8952 5666

Redtails Sports Program 6-8pm Anzac Oval 0419 777 689

MONDAY 8 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419<u>419</u>001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 6<u>89</u> **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

CASSE Workshop 1-3pm Desert Knowledge 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Arrente Boxing 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

Artship Gaming and Pizza 6-8pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

TUESDAY 9 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Artship Movie 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Frisbee Golf 4-6pm Ross Park 8950 0555

Family Movie Night 4-6pm Alice Springs Cinema *8953 2888*

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Skate Workshop 4-8pm Alice Springs Skate Park 0419 777 689

FRIDAY 12 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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Artship Gaming and Pizza 6-8pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Ten-pin lock-in 6-8pm The Dust Bowl *0419 777 689*

WEDNESDAY 10 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Wet Wednesday 1-6pm The Pool – ASALC

3 x 3 Basketball 6-8pm Yipirinya School Araluen *0419 777 689*

THURSDAY 11 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Bike Clinic 10am-12pm The Library BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL 8950 0555

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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Get Out Get Active 5-7pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp

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Redtails Sports Program 6-8pm Anzac Oval *0419 777 689*

SATURDAY 13 JANUARY

Get Out Get Active 11am-1pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp



TUESDAY 16 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Artship Movie 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Frisbee Golf 4-6pm Ross Park 8950 0555

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BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Skate Workshop 4-8pm Alice Springs Skate Park 0419 777 689

Get Out Get Active 5-7pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp 8952 5666

MONDAY 15 DECEMBER

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

CASSE Workshop 1-3pm Desert Knowledge 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Arrernte Boxing 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

Artship Gaming and Pizza 6-8pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689



WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY

Better Bodies

9.30am Get Physical Squash *0419 419 001*

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Wet Wednesday 1-6pm The Pool – ASALC *info@asalc.com.au*

3 x 3 Basketball 6-8pm Yipirinya School Araluen *0419 777 689*

THURSDAY 18 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Bike Clinic 10am-12pm The Library BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL 8950 0555

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

FRIDAY 19 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Artship Social 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Arrernte Boxing 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

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Youth Groups Movie Night 4-6pm Alice Springs Cinema *8953 2888* BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Redtails Sports Program 6-8pm Anzac Oval 0419 777 689

SATURDAY 20 JANUARY

Get Out Get Active 11am-1pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp 8952 5666



MONDAY 22 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating

11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions *0419 777 689* BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

CASSE Workshop 1-3pm

Desert Knowledge 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

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Artship Gaming and Pizza 6-8pm Art Ship Todd Mall *0419 777 689*

TUESDAY 23 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions *0419 777 689* BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Artship Movie 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Frisbee Golf 4-6pm Ross Park 8950 0555

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Skate Workshop 4-8pm Alice Springs Skate Park 0419 777 689

Get Out Get Active 5-7pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp 8952 5666

FRIDAY 26 JANUARY

Australia Day @ ASALC 11am-8pm Info@asalc.com.au

SATURDAY 27 JANUARY

Get Out Get Active 11am-1pm The Y Sadadeen \$7 pp 8952 5666

WEDNESDAY 24 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Artship Social 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Arrernte Boxing 4-6pm Alice Springs Youth Centre 0419 777 689

3 x 3 Basketball 6-8pm Yipirinya School Araluen *0419 777 689*

THURSDAY 25 JANUARY

Better Bodies 9.30am Get Physical Squash 0419 419 001

Family Ice Skating 11am-3pm Alice Springs Convention Centre 4 x 1hr sessions 0419 777 689 BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Artship Art 1-3pm Art Ship Todd Mall 0419 777 689

Youth Groups Movie Night 4-6pm Alice Springs Cinema *8953 2888* BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Redtails Sports Program 6-8pm Anzac Oval *0419 777 689*

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