

DATE: 21th March 2024 Connected

## Newsletter Week 8 Term 1 2024

Community

### Dear Carers and Parents.

Confident

With Term 1 nearing its end, I congratulate all students for their great work at Acacia Hill. This week we have celebrated Harmony Week, culminating in a fabulous celebration of our school community on Thursday. Harmony Week recognises our diversity and brings together Australians from all different backgrounds. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. This aligns beautifully with our school values of Caring, Connecting and Confident Community, It was so refreshing to observe these through the level of engagement and resilience of our students during the Lion Heart Society drumming and dance performance. Please see photos in this newsletter.

The remainder of this term consists of two short weeks: the end of Week 9 is Good Friday public holiday, followed by another short week after Easter Monday public holiday for Week 10 to end the term. I ask that you continue to inform staff if your child will be absent. You can leave a message on our 24hr answer machine (8955 2222) and email your child's teacher, so they can adjust their program as needed.

Next term, students will return on Tuesday 16th April. Acacia Hill staff will be attending professional learning on Monday 15th April and unavailable to supervise students, so please ensure you have made arrangements for them on that day. We have included a copy of the 2024 NT School calendar for your easy reference on the last page of this newsletter. It is designed to be displayed on your fridge at home.

Kind regards,

Care Of





### **NDIS Therapists**

Please be reminded that NDIS providers must hold a current certificate of NDIS registration to apply for a NDIS service in NT Government schools.

#### DATES COMING UP

• Thursday 21 March-Harmony Day

- Friday 5 April—End of Term
- Friday 29 March to Monday 1 April—Easter Public Holiday
- Monday 13 May–Inclusion Sports Day

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# What's happening around the school

## Room 8

We did volcano experiments this week. We discovered what happens when you mix vinegar, bi-carb soda and other substances. It was very fun and very messy!

Kind Regards, Jordie.



## HPE

This term HPE has focused on learning to move, move objects and play fairly. The whole school has been playing mini in-door 10 pin bowling, mini dodge ball and strengthening their aerobic fitness.

Balancing is easier when you have a friend with you and in Room 13, students move to touch their heads in sequence with the music. Great work Bradshaw!

A strategic dodge from a student sees him move through the dodgeballs untouched. Keira encourages Wanissa to run also escaping past the dodge balls! They are an awesome team.

Teacher, Jo





## HARMONY DAY

Today, Acacia Hill School was abuzz with excitement and unity as we came together to celebrate Harmony Day. The day kicked off with an assembly that beautifully showcased the diversity throughout our school community, representing various countries and cultures.

One of the highlights of the day was a spectacular Lion Dance performance by members of the Lion Heart Society. The energetic and mesmerizing dance captivated everyone's attention and left us in awe of the cultural richness that Harmony Day brings to us all.

Following the assembly, students and staff engaged in a delightful middle session filled with many activities. Water play, necklace threading, bubbles, outdoor construction with boxes, and fun dancing in the hall were just some of the engaging activities that brought smiles to everyone's faces.

As lunchtime approached, the aroma of sizzling sausages filled the air, signalling a True Aussie lunch. Students and staff gathered to enjoy delicious sausage sandwiches, fostering a sense of togetherness.

Harmony Day at Acacia Hill School was not just a celebration of diversity but also a reaffirmation of our commitment to inclusivity, understanding, and respect for all cultures. It was a day filled with laughter, learning, and forging stronger bonds within our school.

Happy Harmony Day.



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