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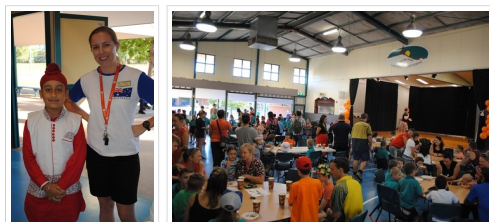
Principal's Report



Dear Parents/Carers and Families,

Parent Engagement

Thanks to all who came along to meet their child's teacher last Tuesday evening. The partnership between school and home is an important one. It was also great to see so many families at our Harmony Day breakfast on Tuesday. We were entertained by student, Piara Sandhu, with a traditional Indian dance. Thank you to staff who assisted with preparation for Harmony Day and to staff and parents who helped clear away afterwards.



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9V2NHyzCJ-E>

School Council

Congratulations to our newly elected Council members. Our 2017 Council members are: Louise Clarke (Chair), Kim Bellis (Secretary), Emma Chalmers, Amanda Frankcombe, Mica Fleming, Jackie Mabasa, Cynthia Kumar, Renee Hughes, Cassie O'Bree and Annie Lennie. Wendy Kleeman and Hannah Madin remain on Council as our teacher members. Our first meeting was held on Monday evening and included a presentation about global school budgets. The next meeting is on Tuesday 18th April (following Easter Monday). All other meetings will be on the 3rd Monday of each month. There is no meeting in July due to school holidays.

National Day of Action against Bullying

Larapinta took a stand together against bullying last Friday on the National Day of Action against bullying. Across the school teachers worked with students to deliver messages about how bystanders play an important role in reporting what they see and helping to keep others safe. At Larapinta we are dedicated to creating safe and supportive learning environments for everyone and we say bullying is never ok. Please encourage your child to tell an adult who can help if they have concerns at school. Families can visit the Bullying No Way website for information.

Staff Professional Development Day

A reminder to parents that there is no school for students on Friday 7th April (the last day of term) as staff will be attending a professional development day. If you require care for your child through Camp Australia that day please register with them as soon as possible online or phone 1300105343.

<http://www.campaaustralia.com.au/>

Working together for our children

We are very excited to be working together with Child Australia who are the providers in the Early Learning Centre. School, Preschool, Child and Family Centre and the Early Learning Centre staff met together last week to begin our new working relationship. We have a fabulous journey ahead!



**Kind regards,
Brenda**

School Snapshot

Neighbour Day

Neighbour Day is celebrated on the last Sunday in March every year. The theme this year is 'The Importance of Social Connection for the Elderly'. Read more about Neighbour Day below.

<http://www.neighbourday.org/>

School Sport NT

Selection Trials for Championships and Development Camps are scheduled for the following times and places:

- 12 Years and Under **GIRLS SOCCER** – Monday March 27th 4.30-5.30pm at Ross Park
- 12 Years and Under **BOYS SOCCER** – Monday March 27th 4.30-5.30pm at Ross Park
- 12 Years and Under **RUGBY LEAGUE** Wednesday March 29th 4.30-5.30pm Traegar Park
- 12 Years and Under **CRICKET** Wednesday April 26th 4.30-5.30pm Traegar Park
- 12 Years and Under **TENNIS** Friday April 28th 4.30-6pm ASP Tennis Courts
- 12 Years and Under **BASKETBALL** Wednesday June 7th 4.30-6pm Venue: TBC
- 12 Years and Under **TOUCH FOOTBALL** Friday June 9th 4.30-6pm Flynn Drive

Swimming

Our swimming program runs for the next three week for students up to Year 3. Remember to check the notes that have been sent home about this and to send a towel and bathers for the week your child is swimming. Children are also encouraged to bring thongs to wear to the pool but should not wear these to school.

Back to School Payment

The Back to School Payment is only available until the end of this term so hurry in if you haven't used yours yet. At Larapinta it can be used towards uniform, performances, swimming and excursions.

Parent Contribution

Our school relies on the parent contribution of \$100 per child to ensure good quality resources for your child to use here at school. The contribution can be made at the front office. This can be paid in full or in instalments. We thank you for attending to this as soon as possible.

Medications at school

If your child is required to be given medication at school (ie antibiotics, Panadol, cough syrup), please ensure that you visit the front office and complete the required paperwork. First Aid staff cannot administer any medication without required consents.

All medications are to be kept in the First Aid room. Children should not have asthma puffers etc in their school bags.

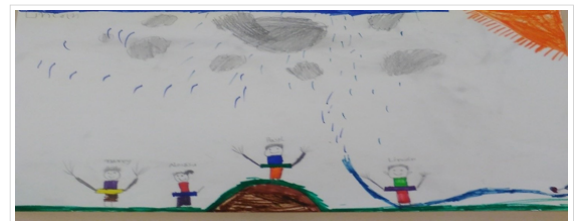
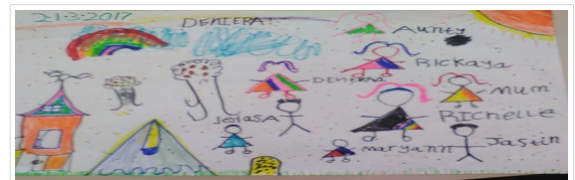


1/2 Noall News

In year 1/2 Noall students are all working very hard and trying their best.

Students have been busy writing letters to their families to try to persuade them that it would be a good idea to get a pet. (We have explained to the children that these letters do not mean that their families will get them a pet). They have been working on using finger spaces, writing neatly and trying their best. They have been brave and persistent, which is reflected in the improvement in their writing.

Each child made their own poster about Harmony Day. First they drew a picture of themselves and then wrote all the names of the people in their family. Many children then shared their posters in front of the class.



We have had fantastic attendance from most of the children in our class. Miss Tori and I would like to thank all the families for helping their children get ready each day. Miss Courtney Noall.

Preschool News

Bike Safety

During this past week we began using the bikes after some bike safety training and issuing the children's bike licenses when they could show they understood the rules. All of the children are doing really well at following the rules because they understand why the rules are there.

Outcome 3.2b) Wellbeing- children take increasing responsibility for their own health and physical wellbeing exploring ways to promote their own and others' safety.



We all had some laughs when Mrs. Kennedy demonstrated where to ride the bike and the direction to ride, since it's a one way only path, and when she started to go the wrong way or into pedestrian only areas the children were quick to pick up on this and put her right!

Preschool Book Fair

It's that exciting event which allows families to add some great quality picture books to their library. Come and shop for your Easter and birthday presents. This is a cash only store and runs morning and afternoon with the assistance of some much appreciated parent help from Monday March 20th to Thursday 23rd from 8:15-9am and 3-3:45pm and Friday 24th 8:15-9am only.

Nutritional Lunch ideas



Water Safety Awareness Program

Every parent caring for a child under the age of five in the Northern Territory can access the Water Safety Awareness Program. When you register for this program you will receive information on how to complete an emergency care session which teaches important emergency procedures and resuscitation skills. Upon completion of this session you will receive practical session vouchers worth \$50 in total to use towards learn to swim lessons. Information pamphlets regarding this program are available at the Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre or alternatively you can contact them for more information on 8953 4633.

Child and Family Centre (CFC)

Larapinta Child & Family Centre works in collaboration with families to strengthen the health and well-being of young children (0-5).

We respect and embrace diversity. Our centre is a place of belonging.

Harmony Day

We celebrated Harmony Day all week at Larapinta Child & Family Centre. We have begun a 'Belonging Tree' where we hang a photo of every family that visits the centre to celebrate our diverse and beautiful families from all over the world! Everybody belongs!



One of our families is Amundeeep and her son Seb. Amundeeep is from India and was happy to discover some Indian dolls for her and her son to play with.



Preschool visited our Harmony Day Playgroup on Wednesday and sang a special song about how we are all special and different.



Visiting Nutritionist

We are lucky to have Anthea Brand from Flynn Drive Health Centre give families support and advice around nutrition. At playgroup this week, Anthea chatted with families about meal and snack ideas, fussy eating and children's growth. Anthea will be hosting some food fun sessions next month. If you have a question about children's eating, please come and see us and we can put you in touch with Anthea.



Open Day Celebration

Save the date!!! On Thursday 6 April from 3pm – 6pm we are having an Open Day Celebration for the Larapinta Child & Family Centre. Families are invited to join us in celebrating our new facilities designed to support families in growing up strong, healthy and happy kids! There will be face painting, balloons, sausage sizzle, icy-poles and tours of the Larapinta Early Learning Centre (Child care) and the Family Centre. Come and enjoy the fun!

School Holidays


During the school holidays in April, Marisa & Sarah are travelling to Darwin to meet with other Child & Family Centre staff from all over the NT for sharing and learning and improving our work. Our Centre will be closed from Tuesday 11 April and we will open again after Easter on Tuesday 18 April.

Community News

A Kids' Unsafe Adventure – Family Construction Fun!

Come along and join the Space Station Alice at the Melanka site (Vacant Lot 94 Todd St) on the 1st and 2nd April. It's FREE! Ages 6-14. Every two kids must bring an adult and any two of the following: hammer, 12volt driver/drill or handsaw. There will be 200 pallets, 100 cardboard boxes, 150 kids, fort building, rocket building, questing, waterballoons. Pre-registration link and more information below.

<http://unsafeadventures.webs.com/>



PROUDLY SUPPORTS


THE COMMUNITY BANK DSF 1000M

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<u>When:</u>	Sunday 2nd April from 4:45pm												
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Alice Springs Athletics
Come & Try Day From
3pm!
Sausage Sizzle for Sale!

TO ENTER

Please call **Murray Stewart 0407 256 428**. Entry cost \$5 and goes towards the DSF. NO entries accepted on the day. Each race capped at 14 participants.



DESERT SPORTS FOUNDATION



Alice Springs Athletics Club

3:30pm to 5:30pm
Rhonda Diano Oval (Head Street)

NT Government Sport Vouchers Accepted

2017 Calendar

'Come and Try' - \$5pp

Wednesday 29 March - 4.30 - 5.30pm

Sunday 2 April - 3pm - 4pm

Sunday 23 April	WEEK 1	
Monday 1 May		May Day Long Weekend (NO Athletics)
Sunday 7 May	WEEK 2	
Sunday 14 May	WEEK 3	
Sunday 21 May	WEEK 4	
Sunday 28 May	WEEK 5	
Sunday 4 June	WEEK 6	
Monday 12 June		Queen's Birthday/Finke Long Weekend (NO Athletics)
Sunday 18 June	WEEK 7	
Sunday 25 June	WEEK 8	
Monday 26 June - Friday 21 July		Winter School Holidays (Athletics on first Sunday only)
Sunday 30 July	WEEK 9	
Monday 7 Aug		Picnic Day Long Weekend (NO Athletics)
Sunday 13 Aug	WEEK 10	Central Australia Athletics Championships
Sunday 20 Aug	WEEK 11	
Sunday 27 Aug	WEEK 12	
Sunday 3 Sept	WEEK 13	NT Championships
Sunday 10 Sept	WEEK 14	
Sunday 17 Sept		Club Presentation Day

Please note
TIME CHANGE
Sunday Afternoons
3:30pm—5:30pm

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