

## Principal's Message

Dear parents/carers,



What an amazing Term 3 we have had at Araluen Christian College! We have had camps, excursions, 40<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations, Fathers and Special Friends Dinners and the list goes on! I would like to take this opportunity to thank our staff, parents and friends who have rolled up their sleeves and partnered with our College this term. God has blessed us through your efforts. Below are a few considerations as we look to Term 4 and preparations for 2025.



### Intentions for 2025

It has been a joy partnering with you and your family this year to provide Christian education. I understand that people move and needs change, so if you are intending to move your child to another school at the start of 2025, please contact the office via email – [admin.acc@ntschoools.net](mailto:admin.acc@ntschoools.net) and request an exit form to be sent to you. Feedback from departing parents and families is highly valued as we look to improve how we educate, so I would highly encourage booking an exit interview with me.

### Staffing Changes – Term 4

As recently shared via Compass, we have said farewell to Mr David Arnold in Term 3. Mr Richard Carter, who is well known to Araluen Christian College, will be joining us for duration of Term 4. He will be teaching the following classes:

- 9 Digital Technologies
- 7/8 Digital Technologies
- 7/8 PE
- 9/10 PE
- 7/8 Health
- 9/10 Health
- 7/8 HaSS
- 7/8 English
- 9/10 English

Also we are excited to announce that Josiah Matson will be commencing with us as a valued member of our Teacher Aide team. This is an exciting appointment as we look to providing additional support to staff and students in the College.

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### Second hand uniform

Now is a great time to check over your child's uniform to see what they need for next term. We have an abundance of second-hand uniform items that need a new home – so much so that **we are giving it away!** Please contact Emma in the Office to come and have a look through our Uniform Shop.

### Parent Help

Thank you to those parents in our school community who come and assist inside the classrooms and out. We encourage parents to get involved in the life of the College, even a couple of hours can make a big difference. Below are some ways that you might like to consider helping our College this term. You will need a valid OCHRE Card, if you don't have one, we can help! Please contact your child's teacher or Emma at the Office if you have a few hours to spare!

- Reading to students in primary classroom
- Helping in Woodwork or Cooking classes
- Mentoring
- Gardening
- Painting
- Curating our library collection
- Assisting in the Office
- Catering for events
- Volunteering to help on excursions

... and so much more!

I hope all students and staff enjoy a relaxing break as we look to finish 2024 strongly in Term 4. Students and staff return on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October.

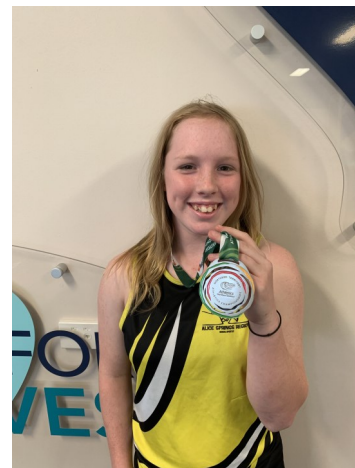
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## Class News

In Biblical studies the T-1 class has been learning about God showing his grace and power as Moses and Aaron lead the Israelites out of Egypt. Here the students are re-enacting the story of crossing the Red Sea.

Janette Fernando.

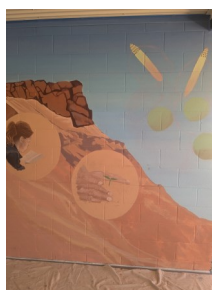


## Representing Central Australia

We wish to congratulate Tayla Jones on her selection and participation in the NT athletics carnival held annually in Darwin in the last week of August. Tayla won many events in the interschool athletics competition held earlier this year and consequently was selected to represent the Central Region in Darwin. While she performed strongly in her heats (100m, 200m, long jump and 4 x 100m relay) she did not win any of her individual events. However, her team did come second in the 4 x 100 m relay. Congratulations Tayla!

## Mural

We recently had Desert Life Church come in and bless our school by tidying our gardens, refreshing our basketball court, playground and many other things! As part of this blessing they have commissioned a muralist to paint one of our bare walls in the middle school. Rachelle is very talented and used to be a student at Araluen back in the early days. See below for a sneak peak. Hopefully most of you were able to see the progress in person at our 40th Celebrations last week. If you haven't seen the mural, please feel free to come and visit and check it out!



As we gather, we acknowledge the Arrernte people who are those appointed by God as the traditional custodians of this land — both within the area called Mparntwe, which we now know as Alice Springs, and widely across this country we now call Australia.

We pay our respect to Elders, past and present, for the way they have stewarded the Lord's good creation. We extend that respect to all Indigenous people past and present, and those future generations — who we pray will continue this task, trusting that our creator will continue reconciling all things to himself in Jesus Christ.





# Newsletter 2024

16 September - Week 10 Term 3

This term we have been studying Algebra in Year 9 Maths. Algebra is a way of modelling an aspect of God's rich creation so that we can make predictions without having to constantly verify the prediction experimentally.

For example, Newton's Law of motion (Force = Mass x Acceleration or  $F=ma$ ), is an example of an algebraic expression that has its use in the acceleration of vehicles. Springs are a vital part of kitchen scales and so we asked the question; 'Can a rubber band be used to make a weighing device?' If there is a linear relationship between the stretch of the rubber band ( $S$ ) and the weight of the object ( $W$ ) attached to the rubber band, then the answer is Yes!

So as a class we designed an apparatus to measure the stretch ( $S$ ) of a rubber band with varying weights ( $W$ ) attached to it. We used empty sealable drink bottles to hold different weights. We started with a combined weight (bottles plus water) of 200g and measured the stretch 3 times. We then added a 100g of water to the system and measured the stretch for 300g. This was continued for weights of 400, 500 and 600g. The information was plotted on a graph and an equation was derived for the line of best fit. Our results suggested  $S(\text{cm}) = 0.01105 W(\text{g}) - 1.32$

Students were then asked to use the graph to determine the stretch for 250g and to verify this experimentally. Students were also asked to think about the limitations of such an equation. In our society, mathematical equations are often seen as providers of truth. Our equation can be used to calculate the stretch for 20,000g but at this weight, the rubber band will break. We can also use the equation to calculate the stretch for a negative weight (this does not exist) leading to a meaningless answer. In this way, students came to understand that mathematical equations are valuable but any calculated values they provide, need to be evaluated to see if they make 'sense' in the reality that we experience.

Dr. Roger Fernando  
Assistant Principal,  
Science and Maths  
Teacher



**Secondary**  
Grade 7-10  
**Information Evening**  
Are you wanting to discover Christian Education for your child in 2025?

Wednesday 9 October  
7-8:30pm  
10 Blain Street

Enquire today!  
Visit Our Website:  
[www.acc.nt.edu.au](http://www.acc.nt.edu.au)  
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We had such a great turn out for our 40th Anniversary, thank you for attending. The event wouldn't have been as much of a success without the help we receive from many different volunteers! Thank you! Here are some photos provided by our photographer Hannah Cheetham (Hanography). Thank you Hannah! Keep your eyes on our Facebook page for more photos.







# Newsletter 2024

26 September Week 10 Term 3

## TERM DATES FOR 2025

TERM 1	29 January - 4th April
TERM 2	14 April - 20 June
TERM 3	21 July - 19 September
TERM 4	6 October - 9 December



Expression of Interest – ASALC  
Casual Positions  
Lifeguards, Learn to Swim &  
Customer Service



Flexible Work Shifts  
Day Time and After-Hours Shifts Available

## thinkwater. TRADE NIGHT

FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2024  
4 PM TO 7 PM  
37 ELDER STREET, ALICE SPRINGS

BBQ & DRINKS | HUGE GIVEAWAYS | DOOR PRIZES

thinkwater ALICE SPRINGS SUPPLIERS IN ATTENDANCE:



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER

[08] 8952 1844 thinkwater. ALICE SPRINGS

## Alice Springs Town Council CORPORATE CUP Bowling Competition

WEDNESDAYS 6-8PM  
25 SEPT - 6 NOV

Enter a team of 4 from your workplace, network, team build and go head-to-head to become the first-ever Corporate Cup Champions!

Nomination fee: \$480 per team of 4 for the 6-week competition. To enter call: 8952 5051 or email: [jas@alicedustbowl.com](mailto:jas@alicedustbowl.com)



## ALICE SPRINGS MULTISPORT SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

<b>WHO?</b> ALL AGED 5-12	<b>WHERE?</b> ROSS PARK SPORTING PRECINCT	<b>WHEN?</b> SEPTEMBER 24, 25 & 26
<b>COST:</b> ONE DAY - \$50 TWO DAYS - \$90 THREE DAYS - \$120 PER PARTICIPANT		
<b>TUESDAY</b> SEPT 24 CRICKET TENNIS AFL CROSSFIT	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> SEPT 25 CRICKET TENNIS AFL CROSSFIT	<b>THURSDAY</b> SEPT 26 CRICKET TENNIS AFL CROSSFIT
<b>SCAN THE QR CODE</b>		
		
<b>TO SIGN UP</b>		
		

## Youth Ride Thrive

25 & 26 Sept

8-15yrs females & indigenous

Food, bikes & transport included

Central Australian Rough Riders

Click QR code for more info and registration



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# OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

## FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER - SUNDAY 10 OCTOBER 2021

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE, EXCLUDING NORMAL ENTRY FEES TO ALICE SPRINGS AQUATIC & LEISURE CENTRE

### MONDAY 27

#### JUNIOR LEGO

@ Library  
for ages 2-7yrs  
10.30am – 11.30am

#### SENIOR LEGO

@ Library for ages 8yrs+  
2.30pm – 3.30pm

### TUESDAY 28

#### DESIGN YOUR OWN FABRIC FRISBEE

@ Library for ages 8yrs+  
2pm – 3pm

### WEDNESDAY 29

#### PRE-SCHOOL STORY TIME

@ Library for ages 2-5yrs  
10.15am – 10.45am

#### WET WEDNESDAY

@ Pool for ages 12-25yrs  
Inflatable + BBQ  
2pm – 6pm

### THURSDAY 30

#### SEPTEMBER CLAY MODEL ANIMALS

@ Library for ages 4yrs+  
2pm – 3pm

### FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER

#### BABY RHYME TIME @ Library

for ages 0-2yrs  
10.15am – 10.45am

#### MECCANO

@ Library  
for ages 2-7yrs  
2pm – 3.30pm

### SATURDAY 2

Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre  
open 9am – 7pm

### SUNDAY 3

\*ART WALK @ sth end Todd Mall for all ages, 10am

#### SUNDAY SPLASH @ Pool

for ages 12-25yrs  
Games + BBQ  
4.30pm – 7.30pm

### MONDAY 4

#### JUNIOR LEGO

@ Library for ages 2-7yrs  
10.30am – 11.30am

#### SENIOR LEGO

@ Library for ages 8yrs+  
2.30pm – 3.30pm

### TUESDAY 5

#### MAKE & FLY YOUR OWN KITE

@ Library for ages 5yrs+  
2pm – 3pm

### WEDNESDAY 6

Planeteers Workshop for ages 12-25yrs – Ranger for a Day!

#### \*THE GREAT CACTUS HUNT + BBQ

@ Telegraph Station  
8.30am-12noon

### THURSDAY 7

#### ARRENTÉ STORY TIME WITH FELICITY HAYES @ Library

for ages 5-10yrs  
11am – 11.40am

#### DESIGN

#### 'YOUR OWN' BOARDGAME

@ Library for ages 8yrs+  
2pm – 3pm

### FRIDAY 8

Planeteers Workshop for ages 12-25yrs – Ranger for a Day!

#### \*WALK WITH THE YEPERENYE

@ Emily & Jessie Gaps  
8.30am-10.30am

### SATURDAY 9

Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre  
open 9am – 7pm

### SUNDAY 10

Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre  
open 9am – 7pm

#### \*BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR PLANETEERS WORKSHOPS AS PLACES LIMITED!

REGISTER – 8950 0547  
YDO@ASTC.NT.GOV.AU

#### \*BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL FOR ART WALKS AS PLACES LIMITED!

REGISTER – 8950 0505  
K WALSH@ASTC.NT.GOV.AU

#### BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

@ LIBRARY OR @ POOL

LIBRARY @ CORNER GREGORY & LEICHHARDT TERRACES

POOL @ ASALC 10 SPEED STREET

### THURSDAY 28

#### DESERT FESTIVAL LAUNCH @ NIGHT MARKETS

Todd Mall for all ages  
5pm – 9pm

### FRIDAY 24

#### SCHOOL'S OUT DISCO @ Pool

with Dis Wellamah & K-Wunn + BBQ  
4.30pm – 7.30pm

### SATURDAY 25

Alice Springs Aquatic & Leisure Centre  
open 9am – 7pm

### SUNDAY 26

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The Planeteers

