**Confident Community Caring Connected DATE: 07 February 2025** 

Newsletter Week 2 Term 1 2025

# WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

From the Principal

It is great to be back! And 2025 feels as if it will be a good year! Returning students and staff look happy, and new students and staff are settling in quickly. We currently have 100 students enrolled, and a few students on the waiting list.

EAP (Educational Adjustment Plans) will be starting soon. We look forward to meeting with you and your child's allied health practitioners to work out their goals for the year. Students usually have three goals in their EAP. This year, one of those goals will be in Communication, and a second one will be in Reading. A goal of the school is to provide engaging, structured teaching and learning programs, and to work closely with you, our families, so that all students have high school attendance. The Department is running a competition this term for the highest attending student for Term I and the student with the most improved attendance for Term I, with a prize of a free family pass (2 adults and 2 children) to the Melbourne Demons versus St Kilda Saints AFL match at Traegar Park on 1 June 2025.

Julie Permezel

### **DATES COMING UP**

- 10:00am Friday 28th February School Council AGM and Ordinary meeting followed by a roo tail barbecue
- 9:30am Friday 21st March Harmony Day
- 10:00am Friday 28th March School Council meeting

- 9:30am Friday 5th April Dress-up assembly and last day of Term
- Term 2 Tuesday 14th April Friday 20th June
- Term 3 Tuesday 15th July Friday 19th September
- Term 4 Tuesday 7th October Thursday 11th December

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

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

# **OUR NEW STAFF**



**Tendai Tskikai** Teacher



Haili Dai SESO



**Jian Tian** SESO



**Shayne Sayer** SESO



Riley Bennett SESO



Ellie Croutz SESO

### ROOM 7

Welcome to Room 7 where the students enjoy coming to school everyday and eustatically engage with the activities of the day. We are all very energetic students who are getting to know each other at the beginning of the year and yes we enjoy working together.

### **Table Activities**

Our day is begins with putting our bags in our lockers and our lunch bags in the fridge. After that the business of the day begins where we start with taking our tubs in order to engage in table activities.







### 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.



### **Key Details:**

- Semester 2 (2024) vouchers are available now
- Semester 1 (2025) opened on 1 January 2025
- Applications close on 24 May 2025
- Vouchers expire on 31 May 2025
- Can be used for sport, recreation, swimming, and music lessons
- Each eligible child gets two \$100 vouchers per year
- Open to children Transition to Year 12, including home-schooled students





## **Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS)**

Keep your teeth healthy by brushing in the morning and at night, eating more fruit and veggies, choosing water as a drink and having regular dental check-ups.

Eligible children can receive financial support for dental check ups and dental treatments with the CDBS.

### Who is eligible?

You don't need to apply or register for the CDBS. If your child is eligible, you will automatically receive a letter in the post or through myGov to let you know. Eligibility is assessed annually and is valid for that calendar year.

### Your child is eligible when:

- ✓ they are eligible for Medicare
- they are under 18
- they receive an eligible payment at least once that year, or you receive one as their parent or guardian.

### Check if your child is eligible

You can check to see if your child is eligible for the CDBS this year by:

- checking your Medicare online account through MyGov at my.gov.au, select 'History and statements', then 'Child Dental Benefits Schedule'
- calling Medicare on 132 011

Find out more about the eligibility criteria at servicesaustralia.gov.au/childdental

### What is covered?

Eligible children can access up to \$1,132\* for basic dental services over 2 calendar years.

The services covered include:

- ✓ dental check-ups
- cleaning
- √ x-rays
- fissure sealing
- fillings
- ✓ root canals
- extractions.

At your appointment check what each service will cost and if the CDBS covers the full cost of those services.

The CDBS does not cover:

- orthodontics
- cosmetic dental work
- any dental services in a hospital.

<sup>\*</sup> Amount is indexed annually, this is the CDBS cap amount for 2025.

### Finding a provider

You can use the CDBS for services at most dental clinics, including public dental clinics and private dental practices.

When you book an appointment:

- let your dental provider know that you want to use the CDBS, and
- ask how much funding you have available under your CDBS cap.

### Public or private?

A public provider using the CDBS will bulk bill you and there will be no out-of-pocket expenses.

Some private dentists bulk bill CDBS services. Private providers who do not bulk bill may charge a gap fee for services.

# Finding a provider that bulk bills

You can ask your dental provider if they bulk bill under the CDBS. To search for a dental provider, use the 'find a health service' tool on the healthdirect website at: <a href="healthdirect.gov.au/australian-health-services">healthdirect.gov.au/australian-health-services</a>

# For more information on the CDBS

- √ Visit <u>servicesaustralia.gov.au/childdental</u>
- Call Services Australia on 132 011
- Ask your dental provider about the CDBS!



# FREE HOME INTERNET FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS HEIR FAM

nbn is implementing this Australian Government program that is offering 30,000 families and carers who look after school age children and are struggling to pay bills free home internet.

To apply, follow the four steps below:

- Contact the National Referral Centre on 1800 954 610 Monday - Friday, 10am - 6pm (AEDT) or visit anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet
- They'll ask you some questions to see if this offer is right for you.
- If you qualify, you'll get a voucher.
- Use the voucher to connect through your chosen participating internet provider. Use your voucher before the 30,000 places are taken.\*



LEARN MORE

Scan QR Code to learn more.

### THE BEST PART IS



Free home internet until 30 June 2028



The Wi-Fi router is free and you can keep it



There is no lock-in contract



Assistance provided by the National Referral Centre



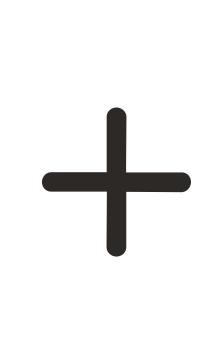
Callback. webchat and interpreting are available

<sup>\*</sup> Applications close when 30,000 places are reached. Being issued a voucher does not reserve your place in this program and you must use your voucher before the 30,000 places are taken otherwise it becomes invalid.











# Do your bit, on the go.

Report and keep shared spaces safe, clean and great to be in.



Overflowing Bins

**E** Graffiti

Fallen Trees

**And more!** 



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