WE ARE NT CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

Dear friends,

If you have not had the opportunity to visit the Territory at this time of year, you are missing out on a great experience. The cool nights and very pleasant days make a welcome change from the winter weather down south. The clear skies of this dry season herald the onset of outdoor activity and festivity in the Top End, where celebrations are staged in parks, under canopies of palm trees and the clear night sky. For the Indigenous people, each season has its own patterns of winds and weather, plant growth and cycles of animal life and death. Understanding these patterns helps to know the right times for activities such as hunting and gathering, burning and ceremonial life. The Association has had a long-standing commitment to working alongside indigenous families and communities who desire a Christian education for their children. Understanding their approach to the integral nature of the seasons is of importance and we seek to work with them in integrating a Christian approach to education while not compromising their traditions. NT Christian Schools continues to engage with the joys and challenges of partnering with parents and communities to provide Christian Education in the Northern Territory.

Expressions of Interest are sought for the position of:

Principal of Gawa Christian School
Principal of Woolaning Christian Homelands College

These positions offer a unique opportunity for a dynamic, flexible Christian principal with a strongly relational leadership style to be a part of the education of Indigenous students in the Northern Territory.

Please see www.ntcsa.nt.edu.au for an expression of interest form.
Over the years Sattler Christian College has hosted quite a few Bush Festivals celebrating our rural location and everything good about living in the bush. Bush Festivals provide a great opportunity for families both from the school and the wider community to laugh, play and feast together.

There was heaps for everyone to do including a rock climbing wall, dunking machine (Colin, the principal, had a go in the hot seat), water pistol skirmish, catch the rat, bob for frogs, Devonshire tea and loads more. Our General Store sold a variety goods from bales of hay, to plants, jewellery to jams and preserves.

In the competitions hall was a selection of very creatively decorated cakes, fruit and veg. animal sculptures, as well as fantastic photography. Everyone who viewed the competition entries were very impressed with the high quality and effort put into the art work!

Gerry Wood and Kezia Purick two of our local politicians helped officially launch our school Cookhouse Cookbook and a highlight this year was the cardboard ute muster. Six families worked together and produced some fantastic works of art and children had a ball parading them to the gathered audience. The festival was concluded with a Cartoon Carnival movie night under the stars in amongst the hay bales.

Families had a hard time trying to drag their children home at the end of the night even though kids were tired, but there were plenty of smiles to go around and a great day had by all!