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Darwin Languages Centre - Term 2 - 2025





DLC Students Shine in Chinese Proficiency Competition



School Holiday Programs at DASC



Term 3 Important Dates

DLC Term 3 starts

Tue 15 July

First Saturday Class Term 3

Sat 19 July

Last Saturday Class Term 3

Sat 13 September

Term 3 ends
Eri 19 Sept





We are proud to celebrate the outstanding achievements of two of our students, Ellie (Year 5) and Helen (Year 2), who both excelled in the recent Chinese Proficiency Competition held in Darwin. The event brought together around 20 talented primary school students from across the Northern Territory, Australian Capital Territory, and Western Australia.

Ellie took out First Prize, beaming with excitement as she held her trophy and certificate. "Learning Chinese makes me feel happy. I really want to go to China," she shared.

Helen was awarded Second Prize, another fantastic result that reflects her dedication and enthusiasm for learning Chinese. Helen's father, Kenny, expressed his heartfelt thanks to Ms. Jessica and the DLC team for their ongoing support and encouragement throughout Helen's language journey.

Congratulations to both Ellie and Helen — your hard work, passion, and achievements make us incredibly proud!

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Message from the Principal

Salima Spring



Thank You for a Wonderful Term at Darwin Languages Centre

As we wrap up another fantastic term at Darwin Languages Centre (DLC), we would like to extend a big thank you to all our staff, students, and families. This term has been filled with growth, learning, and strong connections across our diverse community.

At DLC, we value diversity, learning, and connection. We are open-minded, respectful, and appreciative of differences. We welcome everyone and connect through language, recognising that learning is a lifelong journey. These values are reflected in every learning activity and interaction at our centre.

In-Schools Program

Our In-Schools staff have had a busy and productive term. They have continued collaborative planning and professional learning, auditing DLC's curriculum maps to ensure all content descriptions are covered over our two-year learning cycle. Staff also participated in system-wide essential training and engaged in a moderation session to ensure accurate, consistent, and comparable judgements of student work. Through our peer-to-peer observation program, teachers visited each other's schools to observe and reflect on best practices in language teaching, using their learning to enhance their own teaching and support their colleagues with sharing feedback.

Survivor Season

We're right in the middle of Survivor Season at DLC, hosting two Japanese and three Indonesian Survivor Days this term. Students from Bees Creek, Wagaman, Manunda, Durack, Nakara, Rosebery, St Francis of Assisi, Humpty Doo, Ludmilla, and Driver Primary Schools participated with enthusiasm. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive! Students competed to earn Yen or Rupiah through fun and engaging cultural and language-based activities, strengthening both their language skills and teamwork. We're looking forward to our final two Survivor Days in Term 3.





After-Hours Program

Our After-Hours classes have been buzzing with creativity and energy! This term, students enjoyed mask play in French Beginners and cooking activities in Indonesian, Italian, and German classes. We also introduced new positive behaviour support visuals to clearly reinforce DLC's values and behaviour expectations. These visuals align with systems familiar to students from their day schools, providing consistency and clarity.

Open Classrooms

Week 10 saw fantastic attendance at our Open Classrooms event, where families had the opportunity to celebrate their children's learning. Highlights included Japanese Senior Continuers presenting puppet theatre performances, Indonesian B students reading and translating stories, dancing to songs, and Indonesian C students engaging in role play to practise bargaining. It was a joy to see such confident, student-led learning in action!







Staff Updates

We say a warm farewell and thank you to Kym, who has supported Japanese B, and Rochelle, who has supported Italian. Your contributions have been greatly appreciated.

We would also like to congratulate Minyi Gu and Jasome Rizvi on securing Mandarin teaching positions in our in-schools program from Term 3. Well done!



Lastly, we share some bittersweet news as two of our long-standing and much-loved staff members, Lindsey Barraclough and Yanfang Zhuang, leave DLC at the end of this term as they relocate interstate. While we are very sad to see them go, we are excited for them and their families as they begin new chapters in their lives. They leave with our deepest thanks and best wishes.



Thank you once again to our wonderful DLC community for a rich and rewarding Term 2. We hope that everyone has a relaxing and enjoyable holiday and we look forward to an exciting Term 3 ahead!

Regards,



Salima Spring Principal

Open Classrooms

Open Classrooms were held in Week 10, and as always, we had a fantastic turnout from our families.

A big well done to all our after-hours tutors and students for your hard work throughout the semester.

Every student was proudly presented with their Semester 1 Certificate of Achievement. Well done, everyone!



















Open Classrooms



















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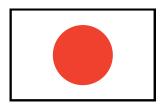








Survivor



Survivor Season in Full Swing at DLC!

We're in the midst of an action-packed Survivor Season at DLC, having already hosted two Japanese and three Indonesian-themed Survivor Days this term. Students from Bees Creek, Wagaman, Manunda, Durack, Nakara, Rosebery, St Francis of Assisi, Humpty Doo, Ludmilla, and Driver Primary Schools took part with great enthusiasm.



















Survivor























A Taste of France: Students Master Tarte Tatin



This term the French class prepared a classic dessert of the French cuisine: la Tarte Tatin.

The name "Tarte Tatin" comes from the Tatin sisters, who invented it at their hotel in France in the late 1800s. Making the Tarte Tatin was a teamwork for the students who followed the instructions in French, great effort and brilliant result. Bon appétit!







Roaring Success: Our Italian Animal Adventures!



The students of the Italian class are very proud to show their excellent work this semester.

The topic of the term was the "animal word", they listened to songs, played games and worked on a very special project.

The students created a colourful animal booklet where they started to write very simple sentences in Italian, naming the animals, describing their colours and body parts. Bravissimi!









Darwin Adult Short Courses



Looking for creative and engaging activities for the holidays?

Check out our exciting Kids' Classes at Darwin Adult Short Courses!

Plus - don't miss our brand new Term 3 courses for adults.

Book now - spots fill fast!









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Cooking Up Culture: Pak Sahar's Indonesian C Class Makes Chicken Satay!



This week, students from Pak Sahar's Indonesian C class turned up the heat — literally — as they stepped into the kitchen for a hands-on cultural experience! With aprons on and skewers ready, the class prepared one of Indonesia's most beloved dishes: chicken satay.

As part of their learning journey through Indonesian language and culture, students explored the ingredients, spices, and traditional techniques used to make this iconic dish. Under Pak Sahar's guidance, they marinated the chicken with fragrant herbs and spices, threaded the pieces onto skewers, and grilled them to perfection.

The irresistible smell of satay and freshly made sauce cooked on the BBQ created an exciting, sensory-rich experience for everyone involved.









Term 3 Notices

Term 3 classes resume on **Tuesday 15 July**. Please note no classes will run on Monday 14 July as this is a Pupil Free Day. You will not be charged for bus or BBQ.

Invoices Term 3

Invoices for Term 3 will be sent out at the end of Week 1 - Term 3

Details of ways to pay can be found on your invoice.



Office Hours School Holidays

Office and Library hours during the school holidays will be:

9:00 - 3:00pm

Returning in Term 3

If your child is returning, you do not need to do anything, and they will be rolled over to Term 3 with the same arrangements.

Not returning in Term 3

Please let us know as soon as possible

Please email us at dlc.nt@education.nt.gov.au

We currently have students waiting for a place in Term 3.



