



# QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

## WHATS NEW

Here's what has happened in the last quarter and what's to come!

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Welcome to the Sundown quarterly newsletter! We are thrilled to share exciting updates, recent upgrades, and designed to make every school group's stay unforgettable.

In this edition, see page 2 to discover the latest enhancements to our facilities! Specially tailored to provide a safe, comfortable, and enriching environment for students and teachers.

In July, August and September we celebrated Christmas in July, which the kids absolutely loved! We also hosted trivia nights, movie nights, and introduced a new games night – a big hit with both students and teachers! Check out some fun photos on page 4.

Stay tuned for more exciting events and programs coming soon.

Thank you for your continued trust and support – we can't wait to welcome your group again soon!



# SUNDOWN FACILITIES



## Extra Details

- Our tennis courts are open 8am-8pm.
- Our swimming pool is open 8am-8pm.
- Tennis, basketball, table tennis equipment is available from reception.

In the Convention Centre, you'll find more than just a big LED screen and a table tennis setup. There's also the Teachers' Room, available 24/7 for teachers or adults looking to enjoy a quiet moment. The space is fully equipped and offers complimentary tea, coffee, and a peaceful atmosphere to relax or recharge.

Our BBQ Area is the ultimate spot for a fun and delicious cookout. Gather around the grill, enjoy some team bonding, and feast on your favourite BBQ treats. Whether it's sizzling sausages or veggie skewers, this is the perfect place.

Ready to serve up some fun? Our Tennis Courts are waiting for you! Whether you're a pro or just starting out, these courts offer a fantastic opportunity for some friendly competition and physical activity. Grab your racquets and get ready for some exciting matches and loads of fun!





# MEET OUR STAFF



Dalyss Briggs, Portfolio Manager at Lincoln Place, brings extensive experience to the team. He recently took over the management of Sundown Villas, where he works closely with General Manager Nikita Mann to ensure every group stay is well-organised, comfortable, and upholds the high standards of service and hospitality that Sundown Villas is known for.

As our dedicated groups coordinator, Lisa Thompson plays a crucial role in ensuring every school's visit is planned down to the tee. From scheduling bookings to planning itineraries, Lisa is the glue that holds our Groups team together.



Nikita Mann, our dedicated General Manager, has been leading the team for over 5 years with passion and commitment. Her experience and care ensure that every group stay runs smoothly and feels like home.

By her side is Donna Parker, our Bistro Supervisor, who keeps everything running seamlessly when it comes to breakfast, lunch, and dinner. From daily operations to the smallest details, Donna makes sure every meal is served with care and quality.

Together, Nikita and Donna are a big part of what makes Sundown Villas welcoming, friendly, well-organised, and truly special.



# ENTERTAINMENT

From July to September, Sundown Villas once again became a vibrant hub of fun and connection for visiting school groups.

This term, students enjoyed a special Christmas in July celebration, where the property was beautifully decorated, and the Bistro delighted everyone with festive dishes that looked as good as they tasted. The event created a joyful atmosphere that both students and teachers thoroughly enjoyed.

Our popular Trivia Nights continued to bring excitement, with around 150 students testing their knowledge, winning prizes, and sharing plenty of laughs along the way. To add even more variety, we introduced a brand-new activity: Games Night. This proved to be an instant success, with students and teachers joining in team challenges and lighthearted competitions that encouraged teamwork and fun.

Movie Nights also remained a favorite, offering a chance to unwind after busy days exploring Canberra's historical landmarks. With snacks in hand and friends by their side, students enjoyed a relaxed and entertaining evening.

Together, these activities made for a memorable season filled with learning, laughter, and community spirit.





# WHATS ON IN CANBERRA



Step into a world of colour at Floriade, Canberra's iconic spring festival, running from 13 September to 12 October! With over a million blooming flowers, stunning garden displays, and lakeside views, it's the perfect day out for all ages. Enjoy live music, markets, art installations, and tasty local food while soaking up the sunshine. Whether you're a nature lover or just looking for a fun, vibrant outing, Floriade brings the beauty of spring to life in the heart of the city.

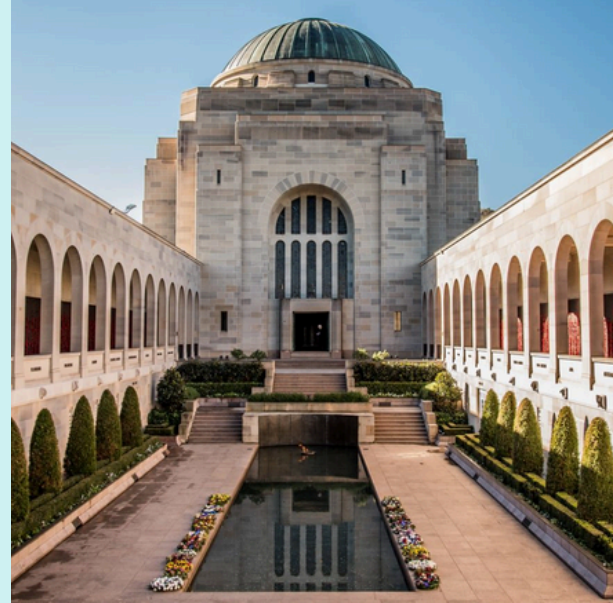
One of Canberra's seasonal highlights is Floriade NightFest. This special after-dark event transforms Commonwealth Park with dazzling light displays, live music, and food stalls. It's a magical experience that adds an extra sparkle to every group's visit to Canberra.



Get ready for a wild time at Zoofest, held at the National Zoo & Aquarium in Canberra! This exciting winter event is perfect for families, featuring animal encounters, live entertainment, food stalls, and fun activities for all ages. Explore the zoo by day and enjoy the magical atmosphere with fairy lights, music, and warm treats by night. Zoofest is a unique way to experience wildlife, celebrate the season, and create unforgettable memories.

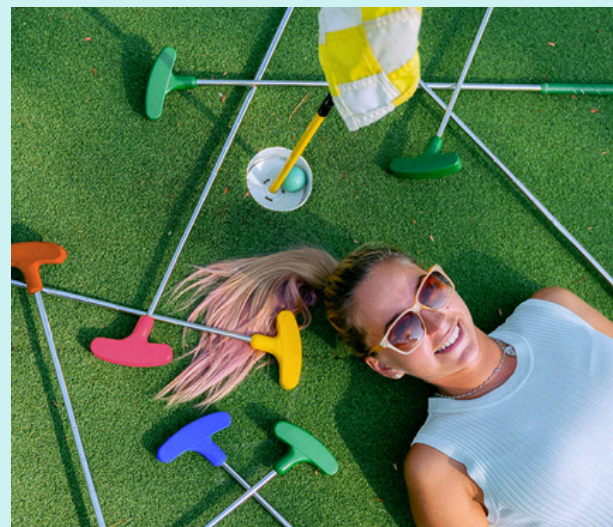
# FREE FUN IN CANBERRA

The Australian War Memorial in Canberra is one of the country's most iconic sites, dedicated to honoring the men and women who have served and sacrificed in conflicts involving Australia. It combines a commemorative sanctuary, a world-class museum, and a research center, offering a powerful and educational experience for visitors of all ages. Entry to the memorial is completely free, with no tickets required to access the galleries or memorial areas. Open daily from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.



The National Arboretum Canberra is a stunning 250-hectare park featuring thousands of rare, endangered, and beautiful trees from around the world. It offers visitors scenic walking trails, spectacular views, and unique gardens, making it a perfect spot for nature lovers and families alike. The Arboretum also hosts events, exhibitions, and educational programs, all set against the backdrop of Canberra's picturesque landscape. Whether you're looking to relax, learn, or explore, the National Arboretum is a must-visit destination in Australia's capital.

Another fun activity in Canberra is the Rooftop Putt Putt, a mini-golf experience set on a rooftop decorated with vibrant spring themes. Students can enjoy a playful game in a unique setting, combining friendly competition with plenty of photo opportunities.



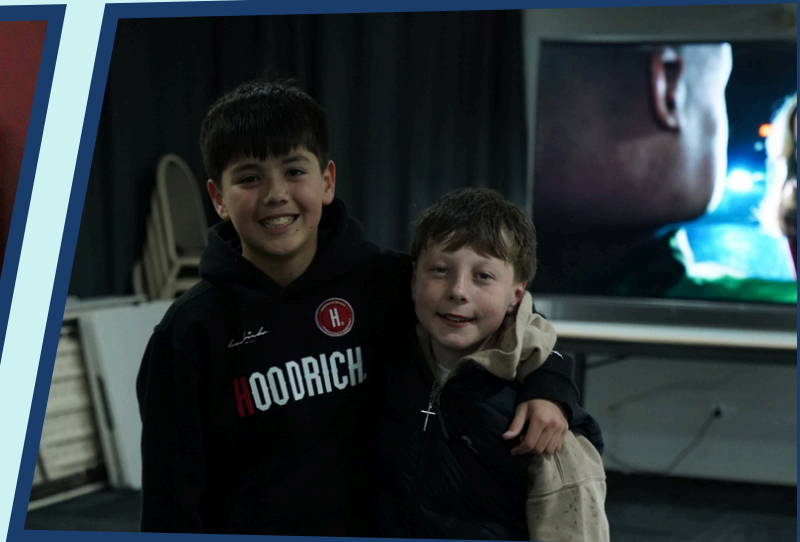


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