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<b>Coming Events</b>	
Mon 3rd Aug	Public Holiday – Picnic Day
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Virtual Assembly – Yr 3/4 Ramsay
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Touch Football Gala Day – Upper Primary
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup> Aug	School Sports Day - Yr 3 – 6 (8:30 – 12pm)
	School Sports Day - Pre – 2
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Aug	(8:30 – 10:15am)
Wed 26th Aug	School Photos
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	School Photos
	Year 3/4 Camp to Batchelor Outdoor
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Education Centre



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to Term 3. It has been great to catch up with our students and hear about their



holiday adventures. Over the holidays we had some of the produce growing well in our garden. Ms Suvi's group were excited to see the giant pumpkins. They are holding a guess the weight of the pumpkin competition in the library at the moment.



In Semester 1 2020, we spent a significant amount of time working on developing an updated and what we hope was a more user friendly and informative **written report** for students Transition-Year 6. This work was carried out in conjunction with Alawa Primary School and Nakara Primary School. Now that we have utilised the new format we are **collecting feedback** to inform the ongoing development of the document. To help us in this area we are asking that parents/carers of students in Transition-Yr 6 complete the survey using the link below. The survey is comprised of 7 questions and will take approximately 2 – 3 minutes to complete. Please go to the web address below to provide feedback.

#### https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H6KSZSD



A huge thank you to those who have already done this. Your feedback is much appreciated.

Yesterday I sent home an updated outline of what school events would look like in Term 3. Thank you to parents for helping us continue to implement measures to keep everyone in our school community safe. It is important that we continue to limit the numbers of people in our school. Please ensure that you limit your time in our school and where possible pick up and drop off your children from outside the school grounds. We have sanitiser at the entry to our school for all people entering our premises to use.

Our teachers had a very productive Professional Learning day last Monday. They worked with internationally recognised expert on Inquiry Learning, Kath Murdoch over Zoom in the morning. After recess, they spent time learning about the whole school Maths program, Meaningful Maths and in the afternoon they worked in collaborative teams to discuss and assess student writing.

It has been great to see most of our student wearing their **school uniform** and a **bucket hat** at school. School uniform is an important part of our identity at Wagaman. Please remember that uniforms consist of blue shorts or skorts and our Wagaman green shirt. On Wednesdays students are able to wear their sports shirt.





As students are no longer able to drink directly from water bubblers it is **vitally important** that they **bring a water bottle** to school **each day**. Water bottles need to have names written on them as we do get some that are left in various places around our school. If your child has lost their water bottle please get them to check our lost property as we do have some in there.

We are looking forward to another fun and productive term of learning at Wagaman.

Kind Regards

Mandy McKinnon

Principal



#### Year 1/2 Mairou

#### How are we communicating?

Auslan is short for Australian sign language. It's a visual form of communication that uses hand, arm and body movements to convey meaning.

Students have had a lot of fun learning how to communicate with their hands and can already introduce themselves, spell out their names and even count to 30 and beyond!







#### What's new in Investigations?







#### We are researchers

Some students have been using some exciting new technology in the classroom during investigations. Marli, Alex and Bella have been using the Makey Makeys and Scratch to do some simple coding to create their own game controllers. They have already discovered that they need certain materials for their circuits to work. Did you know that play dough is a great conductor?





#### Design, Design, Design

Whether it's cardboard constructions or flying machines, students have put on their thinking caps to come up with some great ideas!



#### What makes a place important?

What better way to learn about place than to open our own tourism centre! Students have been looking at maps and brochures of interesting travel destinations. They then created their own signage and pricelists for their storefront. The phone has been running hot with customer inquiries!



#### Camp Australia – 1300 105 343

Camp Australia Newsletter

# Trying to get back into Routine? Tips on Transitioning Back.



week to provide ideas and tips to families.

We have a collection of articles that may assist you with transitioning children back into routine, whether they're returning from school holidays or they have been learning from home due to COVID-19.



Go to the blog: www.campaustralia.com.au/blog

#### Blog Pick #1

#### Giving Children the Confidence to Nurture their Social Skills when Back at School

There's excitement and apprehension, combined with a little nervousness associated with reconnecting with friends who haven't been seen for a lengthy period of time. Being equipped with the confidence, however, is where it all starts.

#### Read more...





#### Blog Pick #2

#### Tips on Transitioning Back into the School Classroom after COVID-19

As learning from home required some adjustment for families, the return back to school will be a welcome change. This post includes some tips that will help ease children back to a more familiar environment.

#### Read more..

#### Enhanced safety and hygiene.

With updated policies and measures, we commit to providing a safe and hygienic environment for your children to enjoy.

#### FREE to Register.

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Register now free

www.campaustralia.com.au







# We want your containers!

Rinse them out!

Place them in the green bin in the foyer.



We only accept containers with...
"10c refund at SA/NT collection depots in State/Territory of purchase"

Help our school fundraise while helping our environment!





#### **Religious Education**

Sacrament of First Holy Communion at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Casuarina.

Candidates should be Year 3 or above and have made their First Reconciliation. Please find the registration form at **www.holyspiritcasuarina.org/first-communion/** There will be five lessons/meetings and the sacrament will be celebrated on 20 September at the 9.30am mass. Any queries phone Father David on 89453633

#### **Sports Voucher**

Children living in an urban area are eligible to receive two \$100 sport vouchers each year. One in January and one in July, for sport, recreation and cultural activities.



The vouchers issued in Semester 2 2020 will expire on 31 May 2021.

Parents or carers need to apply for vouchers online each semester.

#### How to apply

- 1. Visit www.sportvoucher.nt.gov.au/apply
- 2. Click apply online
- 3. Follow the prompts to complete the form

If your child's details are in the system, your voucher will be available to print or save immediately. If your child's details are not found in the system, a voucher will be sent to your nominated email address within 7 days.

#### **Whole School Photos**



#### Wednesday 26th August 2020

Pre School Blue Group, Primary School and Siblings

Thursday 27th August 2020

**Pre School Yellow Group** and Siblings

Return envelopes by Wednesday 26th August 2020



Photo envelopes were sent home on Wednesday 29th July





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#### Come and try Scouting

#### 1st BERRIMAH SCOUT GROUP

Lot 3326 Brandt Road Knuckeys Lagoon Recreational Reserve

Scouts



Ages 6 - 8 years

Tuesdays - 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm (school terms)



Ages 7 - 10 1/2 years

Tuesdays - 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm (school terms)



Ages 10 ½ - 14 ½ years

Tuesdays - 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm (school terms)

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