



Coming Events

Fri 23rd Oct	Whole School Assembly – 3/4 Vavlas
Mon 26th Oct	NED'S Mindset Mission Virtual Show
Tue 27th Oct	Squash after school activity 2:15pm-3:45pm
Wed 28th Oct	Maths Show Day (Yr1/2)
Wed 28th Oct	School Netball Competition
Fri 30th Oct	World Teachers Day
Tue 3rd Nov	Squash after school activity 2:15pm-3:45pm
Wed 4th Nov	Preschool Open Evening 5:00 –6:00pm



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to our final term for 2020. It has been wonderful to connect with all our students each morning now that we have resumed our daily morning muster. In the holidays we had quite a lot of flooding through our Early Years building. To help improve drainage around the school we have commenced the installation of a new drain at the end of our Early Years building. Work on this commenced today and we are hoping that it will be completed by early next week.

Our school netball teams competed last night in the first round of the school's competition. They demonstrated "The Wagaman Way" and we were extremely proud of their efforts. This year Wagaman have 3 teams playing. It has been wonderful to see all the student interest. A huge thank you to our staff Ms McLean, Ms Brown, Ms Chadbourne and Ms Angie for their work with our teams to make this valuable learning experience available to our Wagaman students. We wish to thank Jayde Stiffold, Sarah Armstrong, Jacintha Jensen for volunteering their time to umpire for us. It is wonderful to see these past students helping us out.

We had a number of our Year 3/4 students attend the first after school squash session on Tuesday afternoon. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and are looking forward to attending again next week. The program will run for five weeks.

It has been pleasing to see our attendance sit above 90% over the past two weeks. At Wagaman we like to see every student every day. In the event that students are sick or there are specific family circumstances preventing attendance at school it is very important that the school is notified. This enables us to record the absence accurately in our school attendance records. The Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership's most recent report reinforces the strong correlation between school attendance and student achievement. It also highlights the importance of forming good attendance habits early.

We have had a few parents inquire about bringing birthday cakes in to share with classes. As part of our COVID plan we are still not participating in the sharing of food within classes. To ensure we have consistency across classes in this area, we ask that children do not bring birthday cakes or shared food in to celebrate birthdays. We will review our plan at the end of the term with regards to class Christmas parties. Our decisions in this area will be based on COVID recommendations.

Recently we have had a number of students bring chocolates and lollies to school. These types of foods are treat foods and we ask that children do not bring them to school. I have spoken to all students about this at muster.

Next Monday all classes will view a free online performance called NED's Mindset Mission. We are excited to be able to offer this wonderful performance and its important messages to Wagaman students.

If have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to contact me at school.

Kind Regards,

Mandy McKinnon – Principal

School Council

Hello from the WPS School Council. I am Jonathon Hewitson, Chair of the WPS Council. On behalf of the school council, I am opening a conversation with the WPS community, reaching out to you all about the school council and why it is important to me.

What is the School Council?

The school council supports the school, represents our community to help build meaningful partnerships and encourage strong community engagement. This is to ensure decisions are made in the best interests of all students today, tomorrow and into the future. The school council helps set and endorses the strategies for the school, maintains oversight of the school's budget and projects, ensures the community's voice is heard by the leaders of our school and provides a point of contact for the parents and carers of WPS children to discuss any topics on your mind.

School council consists of representatives from parents, teachers including preschool, school leadership and our school Business Manager. We meet monthly to provide governance oversight of what is happening and what is expected to happen within the school.

Why I enjoy being on the School Council.

I have been on the school council for 3 years and the council chair for 2 years. It continues to be a rewarding experience, and the small amount of time that is needed as a commitment is a wonderful way for me to support my children and the community of WPS. My partner and I have built friendships with the parents and teachers at school council leading to a greater sense of connection to Wagaman and the school community.

As a council we are wanting to make WPS an even better place for our children's education and growth through these years. To do this we need the continued support from the school community through the school council, to be innovative and always looking at ways to improve.

I will continue to provide input into the school's newsletter that is meaningful to you. So please reach out and say hi to your council members, let them know what you would like to know about.

What can you do as a Parent?

Be proactive, engage with your networks, share your thoughts and ideas and be willing to champion them. Continue to support your children, and the WPS Community. I look forward to sharing my thoughts and ideas with you for the rest of the school year and getting to know you all a little better.

We would welcome and encourage anyone to come along to the next meeting on Monday November 16 at 5:30 pm in the school staffroom.

Contact details: wagaman.school@ntschoools.net

Council Members:

POSITION	NAME	POSITION	NAME
Chair	Jonathon Hewitson	Parent representative	Birgit Hallenstein
Treasurer	Meghan Hall	Parent representative	Marina Hernandez
Secretary	Hannah Schwartzkopff	Parent representative	Rachael Pickering
WPS Principal	Mandy McKinnon	Preschool parent representative	Kylie Simmonds
Teacher representative	Lesley Colling	WPS Vice Principal (invited)	Dane Russell
Teacher representative	Lisa McLean	WPS Business Manager	Maria Vlamos
Parent representative	Gemma Chadbourne	MLA for Sanderson	Kate Worden

Year 3/4 - Ramsay

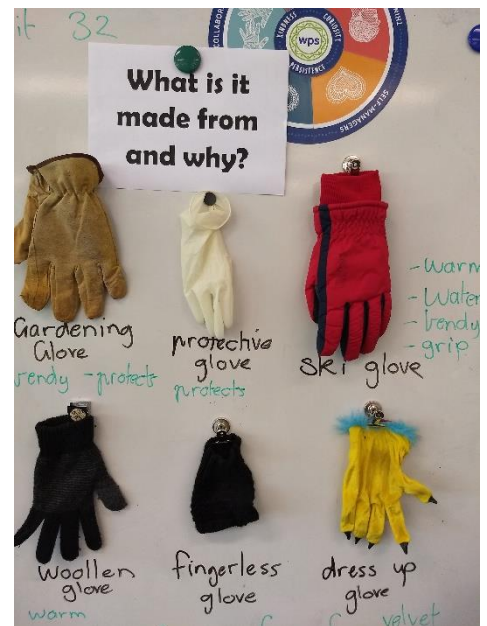
Year 3/4 Ramsay are doing a science inquiry unit on materials. Our inquiry question that will help guide our learning is:

What is it made from and why?

Students sorted a range of materials and classified them under headings chosen by their group. Lots of interesting discussion took place as students didn't always know the words they needed. This activity helped students tune into the question, 'What is it made from and why?' and begin to sort out what they already know and what they need to find out.



Students then identified different gloves and explored the materials used to make them and the properties of the materials used.



We are developing a word wall of the scientific words students will need as they continue to investigate properties of materials and as they work toward answering the big question, "What is it made from and why?"

Camp Australia – 1300 105 343



Wagaman Primary School OSHC Newsletter

Welcome Back

We're excited to welcome all families back to one of our favourite times of year – Term 4. It's a great time to reflect on the growth of your child throughout the year and celebrate their great achievements. We've got some big things planned for Term 4 that we're excited to share with you in the upcoming weeks.

We have been busy planning experiences to help children transition back into term time by connecting with friends, engaging with fun and enriching experiences, and continuing to explore their interests while in service.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Our homework club is back and running. We offer a quiet area where children can complete their homework with the help of our educators. It runs Monday through to Thursday. Children are encouraged to do their homework during this time, however, this responsibility lies with the child and families.

FEEDBACK & COMPLAINTS



Please let Mrs Fatuma know if you have feedback. We value this as it helps us shape our service to meet the needs of our families. You can also email us at ntwagamanps@campaustralia.com.au.

Enhanced Safety and Hygiene.

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



Hello Families!

Our school is hosting **NED's Mindset Mission**, a live streaming all school event. A world-class performer takes our students on an interactive educational journey filled with storytelling, illusions, yo-yo tricks and humour. NED's message and memorable friends inspire students, promote academic achievement, and support our school goals.

Never give up Encourage others Do your best®

Our school received this programme at no-cost because another school community has paid-it-forward to us. Now it's our turn—you can help by purchasing a NED-messaged yo-yo and accessories. A yo-yo is both a mindset tool and tangible reminder of NED's message. While learning to yo, children will make mistakes, try again, and improve. Read more at www.MindsetMission.com/yoyos.

Collectible yo-yos for all ages

SHOW DATE/TIME: Monday 26th October 11:00am	LOCATION: Classrooms
SALE DATES/TIME: Recess, Lunch and after school from Tuesday 27th Oct	LOCATION: Front Office

CLASSIC YOS AUS\$8

Learn the basics of yo-yoing with a fixed axle yo-yo.

NED Glover-In-the-Dark!

SUPER SPINNERS AUS\$15

Great for basic and intermediate tricks. With a strong throw, this auto-return yo-yo 'sleeps' at the end of the string & then comes back to you automatically.

SPECIALTY SELECTION AUS\$20

Professional long spin yo-yos for next level tricks.

LIGHTS UP!

REPLACEMENT STRING PACK AUS\$5

Ten assorted strings to change color or replace a worn out yo-yo string.

YO-YO HOLSTER AUS\$5

Keep track of your yo and have it ready to go. Attach it to your belt loop or backpack (yo-yo not included).

Order Form:

Name:

Teacher:

Amount Due:

Make cheques payable to our school.

Ordering from Home?

- Select item(s) for each child
- Fill out the form on the left and email in your order
- Items available at school for pick-up

SATISFACTION
100%
GUARANTEE

Items available will vary. Prices include tax (where applicable).

Hamper Donations Required



Donations are required for our Christmas hampers.

Items may include; toys, nonperishable foods, and Christmas items.

Larger donations can be donated for a separate draw e.g. vouchers & special items. The hampers will be **drawn** at our Awards Presentation on the **15th December 2020**.

LATE ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL



When your child arrives late at school, he/ she misses the teacher's instructions and the induction to the lesson. Your child may also feel embarrassed at having to enter the classroom late.

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days worth of teaching lost in a year
5 Minutes	3.4 Days
10 Minutes	6.9 Days
15 Minutes	10.3 Days
20 Minutes	13.8 Days
30 Minutes	20.7 Days

Frequent lateness can add up to a considerable amount of learning lost, and can seriously disadvantage your child.

APPLE For THE TEACHER

REWARD A LUCKY TEACHER & CLASS WITH GREAT PRIZES

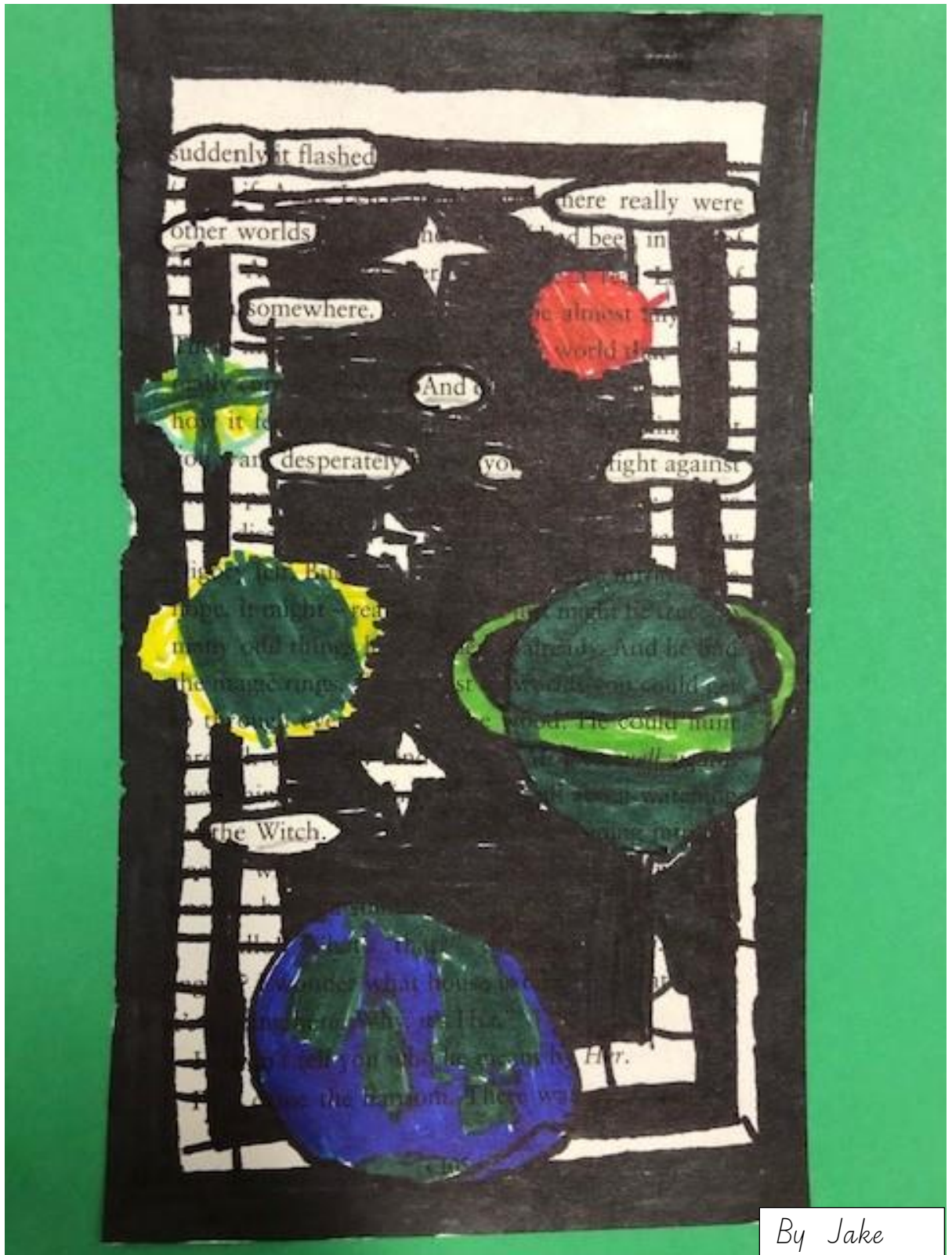
NOMINATE NOW!

Harvey Norman BYOD SCHOOL READY

The advertisement features a young boy with glasses and a backpack, cheering with his arms raised. The background is teal with various icons: a rocket, stars, a crown, a sun, and a question mark. The text is bold and colorful, promoting a campaign to reward teachers.

5/6C Blackout Poetry

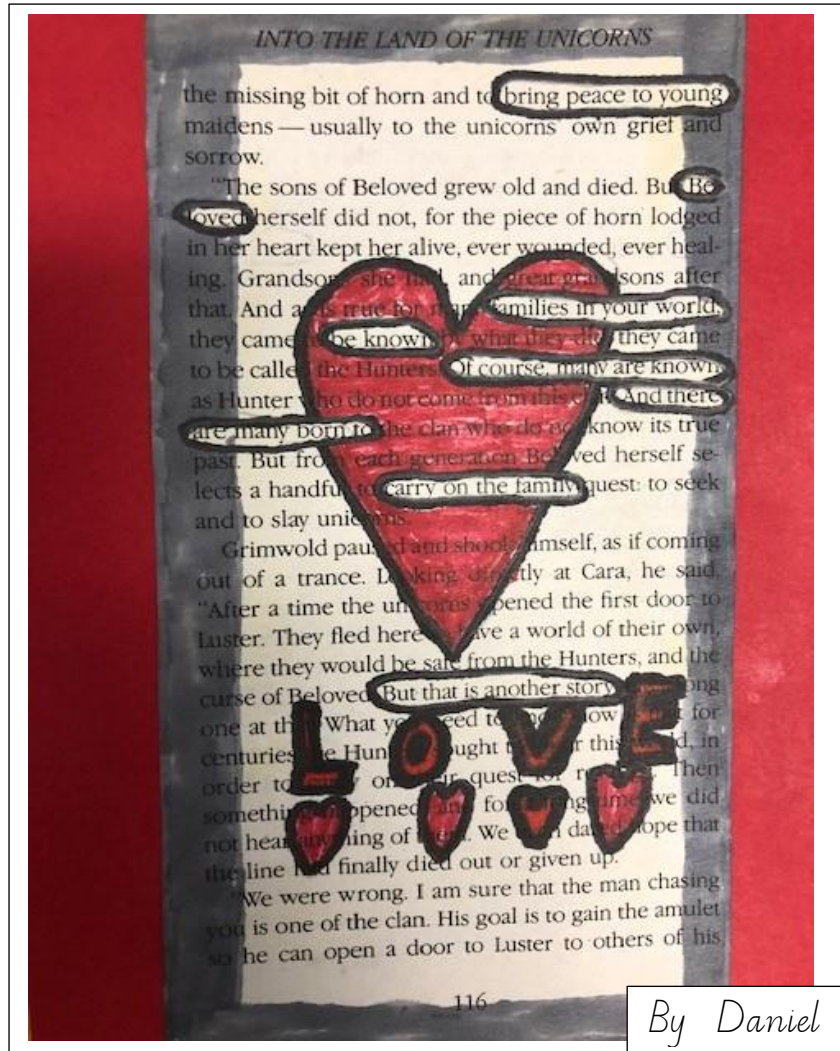
Students were challenged to select vocabulary from a single page of text that when put together created a unique style of poetry!





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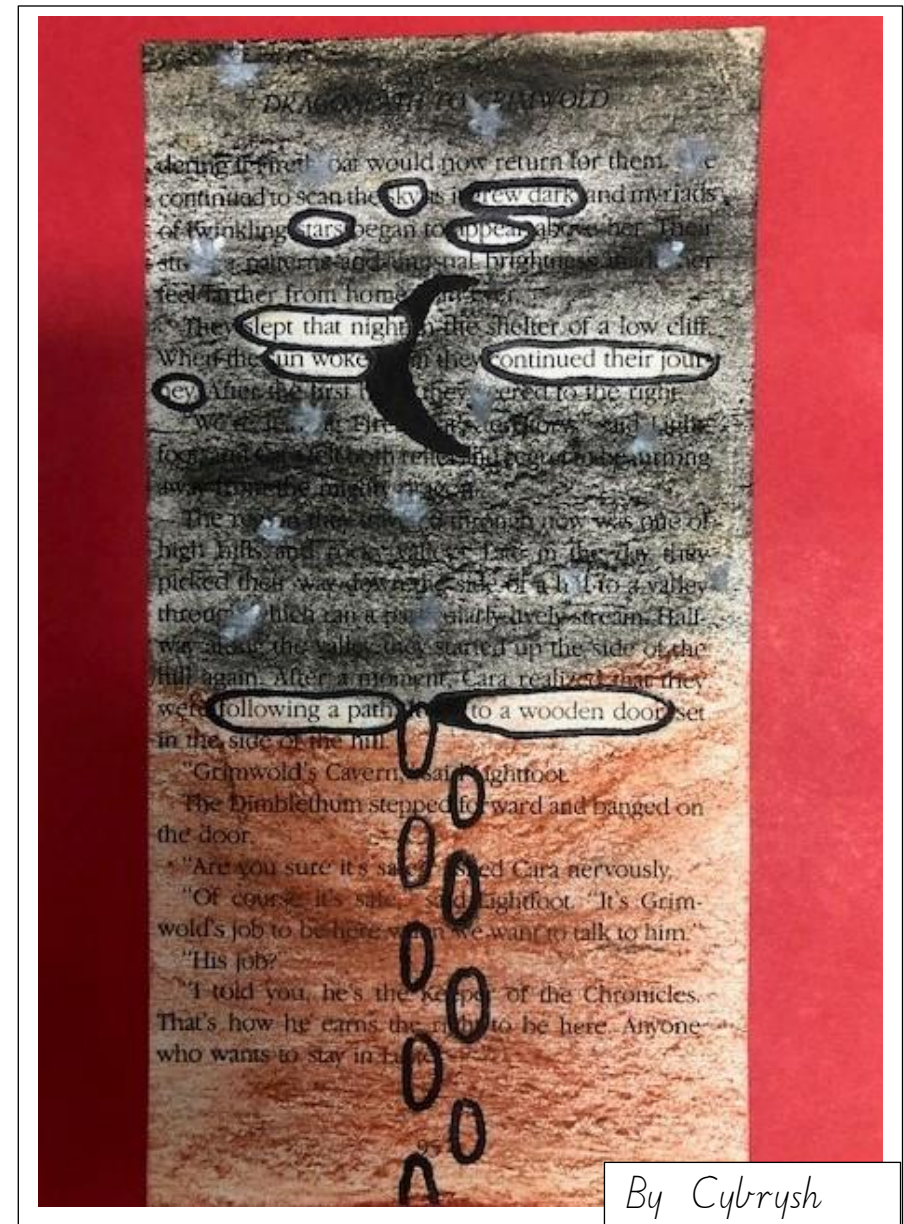
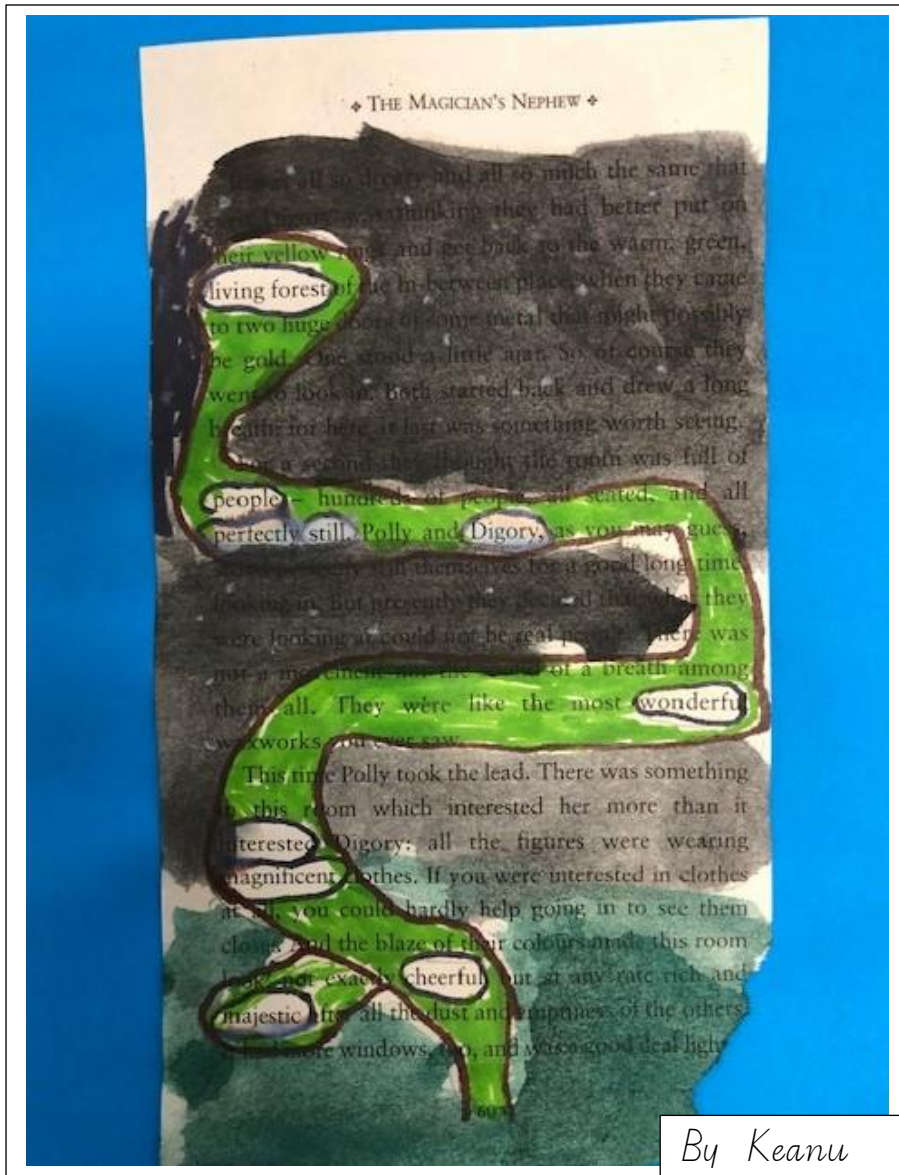
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By Daniel



By Antonios



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PRESCHOOL

OPEN DAY 2020

Wagaman Preschool invites children and families commencing Preschool **Semester 1, 2021** to our Open Day

Wednesday 4th November
5:00pm - 6:00pm



Meet the staff



Exploration

Program information



Art &

craft activities



Meet new friends



Enrol now!
For children turning 4
before 30th June 2021

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Making a Difference



2021 Intentions

Please contact the office or return the slip below if you are moving out of the school. Classes for the coming year are planned in the final weeks of term 4.

If you wish us to give consideration to special requests for your child's future class placement. Please email or phone the Principal.



Please cut off and return to school

Wagaman Primary 2021

If your **child** is **NOT returning** to Wagaman Primary in 2021

Please return this note to the Front Office.

Family name: _____

School they will be attending: _____