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Coming Events	
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Crazy Hair Day & Shave for a Cure
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 3-6 Sport: Netball and Cricket
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar	National Day of Action against Bullying & Violence
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Harmony Day Breakfast & Assembly
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Year 3-6 Sport: Netball and Cricket
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	Teacher Professional Learning Day – School Closed

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had another busy fortnight at Wagaman. This week our classes have all participated in learning with Harold and Suzy in the Life Education van. Students have thoroughly enjoyed this learning experience. The learning from these sessions has included healthy eating, friendship, the function of body systems and building respectful relationships. Make sure you take a moment to have a chat with your child about their experiences in the Life Education lessons.

We held our school council Annual General Meeting on Monday night. A huge thank you to the people who attended. Participating in council is a wonderful way of being involved in the school. Our council members for 2021 are:

Jonathon Hewitson – Chairperson

Hannah Schwartzkopff – Secretary

Rachael Pickering – Treasurer

Marina Hernandez – Parent Member

Meghan Hall – Parent Member

Tiegan Cremona – Parent Member

Kylie Simmonds – Parent Member

Emma Noovao – Parent Member

Dane Russell – Teacher Member

Mario Mairou – Teacher Member

Mandy McKinnon - Principal

Kate Warden – Invited Member (MLA)

Maria Vlamos – Invited Member (Business Manager)

Our school council meetings are held in the staffroom on the third Monday of each month from 5:45pm. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

One of the items discussed at council was fundraising. Our Area 1 playground and sandpit need a significant upgrade and we are in the process of having plans drawn up for it. As part of this upgrade there is significant drainage that needs to be installed to manage the wet season water that comes from our buildings. At this stage the anticipated cost of our upgrade is approximately \$200, 000. The school will utilise some of the funding that we receive through government and voluntary contributions however to financially support an upgrade of this size we will need to do substantial fundraising. At council we have discussed a number of fundraising ventures including BBQs, colour fun run and potentially a disco. Our first fundraising venture will be our Harmony Day breakfast.

We have had two families raising money towards "Shave for a Cure". These families have been selling biscuits outside our school one afternoon each week. Tomorrow we will have a Crazy Hair Day and we ask that students participate and bring a gold coin donation which will go towards Shave for a Cure. Robert Armstrong has coordinated to shave his hair at school in the morning. He has organised a hairdresser to come. We will meet in the assembly area for the shave. Robert ran a raffle with the winner being able to start his shave. Tyler in year 5 is the winner of this raffle. Congratulations to both families for their fundraising efforts.

A reminder to all families that Monday the 22nd March is a professional learning day for staff. This means that school will not be open for students on that day. Camp Australia is offering a service for the day. Bookings can be made with Camp Australia online.

It was wonderful to see many of our students & parents attend learning conferences this week.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our Harmony Day breakfast on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March

Warm Regards

Mandy McKinnon



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### Year 1/2 Mairou

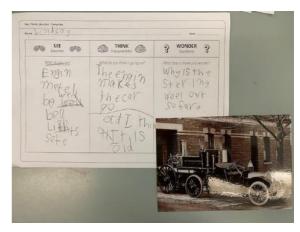
This term, students in 1/2 Mairou are asking the big question 'Does technology change our lives for the better?' To help them with their research, students have been looking at different technology in our community and how it has changed over time.

To coincide with the recent Smart Sparks visit from real firefighters, students looked at pictures of firetrucks and other safety equipment from both past and present and came up with some wonderings of their own. They even collaborated to design and build their very own firetruck to deal with emergencies in the classroom!

















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### **Birthday Celebrations**

We acknowledge and value the celebration of a child's birthday. However, we encourage parents to be mindful that some students may have allergic reactions to some foods (e.g. high sugar, high colour & preservative, nuts)

#### Therefore:

- Check with your child's teacher BEFORE organising
- Only send cupcakes or fruit kebabs. Please DO NOT send cakes that require slicing.





#### **Reminders**

Please ensure your child has a water bottle and hat **EVERY** day. We ask that children in Early childhood have a spare set of clothes in their bag each day in case they are required.

Please contact the front office if your contact details have changed.







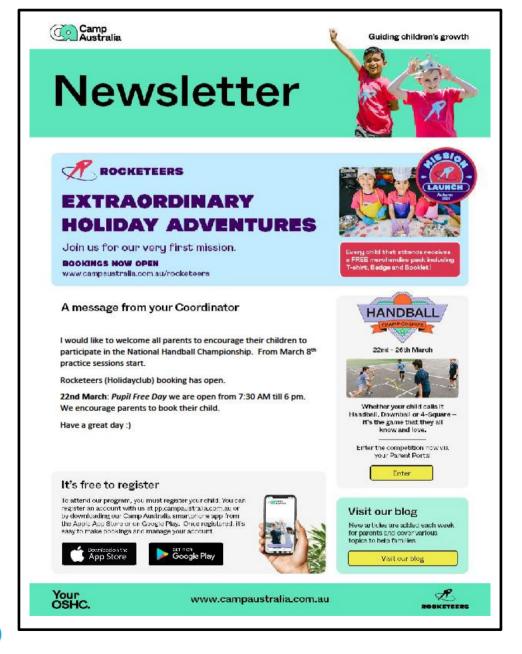
### Camp Australia – 1300 105 343

### Reminder: Pupil Free Day - 22 March 2021

Wagaman Primary School will be closed to all Preschool and Primary School children on this day.

Please organise alternate care for your children. Camp Australia will be available on this day, contact Camp Australia on 1300 105 343 to make a booking.







#### An opportunity to come and have a go at hockey.



Our Junior Development Camp is on again.

It's free! @

Everyone is welcome. Equipment is supplied.

Don't worry if you miss the start, just come along and see what hockey is all about.

> Want to make new friends and learn new skills? For all juniors aged 5 to 17. New players welcome.

Our coaches will support all - from first-time players to emerging athletes and state players.

- Fun activities
- Hockey skills and drills
- Small-sided games
- Skill development

Time: 5:30pm - 6:30pm Date: Starts Thursday 4th March, 2021

Duration: 4 weeks

Venue: Marrara Hockey Stadium

For more information contact: Cindy Hope Junior VP Commerce-PINTS Hockey Club

Ph: 0437 388 441 Email: commerce.pints@gmail.com





Juniors and Seniors. beginners to advanced! Training on Thursdays

commerce.pints@gmail.com Junior VP (Cindy): 0437 388 441 Senior VP (Shana): 0400 555 668 Come and play hockey.

Join Commerce-PINTS

for

a great family experience.





Top End Orienteers invites you to a 60-minute score event at

### TERRITORY WILDLIFE PARK



WHEN: Sunday 21st March 2021, mass start at 8am finish by 9am AGM following the event at 0930- all welcome

COURSES: Score Event of 60 minutes duration, with Easy, Moderate and Hard grade categories offered. All courses are pram friendly.



What to bring: water bottle, wet weather gear if it is raining, money for Park entry afterwards if staying to visit park after 9am.

TIME: Arrive between 7:30 and 7:45am for a mass start at 8:00am, courses close at 9:00am.

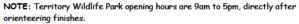
Coaching available from 7.30am.

What is a score event? Score course maps have checkpoints of different value marked on them. Participants have 60 minutes to visit whichever checkpoints they wish, choosing their route (based on their ability and fitness) to maximise their score. A careful judgement of route distance and ability is required, as penalties apply to participants returning late (after 9am).



- Regular event fees apply (individuals \$5/\$10 & groups \$8/\$15 for member/non-member, family fee available)
- Great for all ages and all fitness levels
- The ideal way to exercise your mind and your body
- Beginners and New members welcome, membership form available from www.teo.asn.au or on the day.

For more information please call: 0403 827 326 Email: topendorienteersNT@gmail.com or www.teo.asn.au Find us on Facebook











Do you enjoy playing Minecraft? Do you like learning in fun ways? If your answer is yes and you are in **Grade 3**, **4**, **5** or **6** then come join us in the school holidays for a 2day camp. No Minecraft experience necessary!

#### Venue: MALAK PRIMARY SCHOOL

8:30am -2:00pm

#### Camps are designed to:

- \*encourage collaboration
- \*develop social and communication skills
- \*engage kids in group problem solving environments
- \*be enormous fun
- \*be structured and offer Minecraft and real-life learning opportunities

As we have a limited number of places, please book your child's place to avoid disappointment. Bookings to be made via website only not through Malak School.

https://www.wicksees.com.au/book-online

Call Daniel 0412 144 404 for any questions

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### **Top End Oral Health Service**

**All children** in the **Northern Territory**, aged 0-18 years, with a current Medicare card and still at school, are eligible for **free dental services** through Top End Oral Health Service.

Your children can visit any of our 12 school-based dental clinics in the Darwin region from age 0 until they finish primary school (year six).

Once your child starts year seven they must be seen at one of the community dental clinics (Darwin, Palmerston).

Please contact us on <u>08 8922 6466</u> to make an appointment.







## **Harmony Day 2021**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March

Wagaman Primary School invites families to join us for a Harmony Day Morning Celebration.

Celebrate with us by wearing **orange** or traditional dress.

7:30 - 8:30 am

Fundraising BBQ breakfast in the Bush Tucker Garden

- \$4 bacon and egg sandwiches
- \$5 coffee

8:45 - 9:15 am

Harmony Day Assembly – hosted by 3/4 Chadbourne

9:15 - 10:15 am

Harmony Day class activities



### **Harmony Day 2021**

Friday 19th March

We are looking for parents to facilitate cultural activities as part of our Harmony Day celebrations.

If you are interest, please complete this expression of interest and return to the office.

Name:
Child's class:
Cultural activity: Please detail



Do you have a valid ochre card? Yes / No

