# wagaman primary school

# Newsletter

### Term 1, Week 10, 7 Apr, 2022



#### IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:

Fri 8 April

• Last day of Term 1

Tue 19 April

• School resumes for Term 2

Fri 22 April

 Whole school assembly -5/6 V hosting ANZAC day commemoration

Wed 4 May

• Whole School Photos

Fri 6 May

• Early Years Mother's Day Spa

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This week is our final week of the term. It is amazing how quickly this comes around. Tomorrow is Silly Sock Day, and students are invited to wear their craziest socks to school and donate a gold coin. Our SRC students have organised this event to raise money for Lismore Primary School, which has been affected by the recent floods.



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Our school council met and approved our Annual School Improvement Plan on Monday night. Our chairperson for the past 3 years, Johnathan Hewitson, has decided to step down from council this year. We would like to acknowledge the fantastic contribution Jonathan has made during his 5 years on council and thank him for his time and dedication. Kylie Simmonds has agreed to act in the role of chairperson. We are on the lookout for more school council members, so please come and have a chat if you are interested.

Last week, Year 3 and Year 5 students participated in NAPLAN practice. The practice test helps students to become familiar with the online format and test conditions. NAPLAN is scheduled for all Year 3 and 5 students across the country during weeks 4 and 5 of Term 2. If you would like to see what the test looks like or have a go at some practice questions, visit the demonstration site at www.nap.edu.au/onlineassessment/public-demonstration-site.

Last Wednesday, we welcomed different visitors to our school. Crocodylus Park visited our 1/2 classes as part of their inquiry into Australian animals. Students bravely held a crocodile and a black headed python. Later in the day, we welcomed choirs from various schools to participate in a Beat rehearsal. Our corridors echoed with beautiful singing, and we look forward to Beat 2022.

Last Friday's Assembly was hosted by 5/6 Hammond. The students taught us about the areas of the brain and their functions. They also explained the importance of having a growth mindset. It was great to hear students' personal stories of resilience and perseverance and how they overcame challenges.

> Some of our Year 5/6 boys visited CSC this week as part of the Casuarina Senior College Clontarf program. This is a buddy program in which senior students mentor our students.

Janie Andrews, our visiting artist, has been putting the finishing touches on the wonderful cultural display created by Year 3/4 students. Look out for the artwork in the new term. The paintings will be hanging alongside the library.











We also have some goodbyes to say this week. Ibu Enggar, our Indonesian teacher, is moving overseas. She has been with our school for several years, and we thank her for all her work at Wagaman. We also say a big thank you and goodbye to Mr Barker, who has been teaching 1/2 Cannington/Vinu for the past four weeks. We are excited to welcome back Ms Vinu to Wagaman next term.

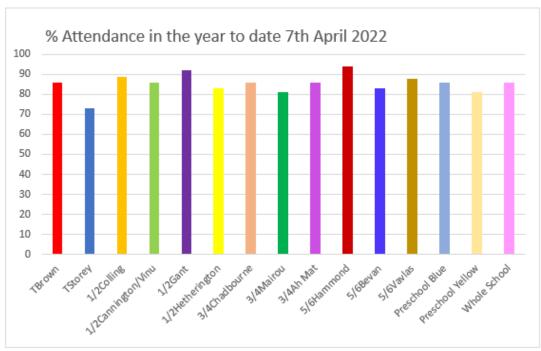
We are looking forward to many exciting events in Term 2; Mother's Day Spa, 3/4 Batchelor Camp, Sports Day, Life Education, the School Concert and the Colour Explosion Fun Run. 5/6 Vavlas will host our ANZAC Day commemoration on Friday April 22nd, Week 1.



Thank you to all our students, teachers and families for a great start to the year. We wish you a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing our terrific students back on Tuesday, 19th of April.

Warm Regards,

#### Dane Russell Acting Principal



Our attendance so far this year is 85%. This is down on previous years, with COVID being a major factor. We hope this will improve next term.

## **LEARNING SPOTLIGHT**

### YEAR 1/2 COLLING



### Crocodylus Park Visit by 1/2 Colling 🏾 🍡



WYATT: Today Crocodylus visited us. We had fun. We saw a snake and we saw a crocodile

ALEXIS: Today I went to the blue room and the crocodile people. I got to hold eggs and a crocodile





EVA: Today Crocodylus Park came to our school. I got to touch the snake and we aot to hold the crocodile. It was fun

YIANNI: Crocodylus visited to learn about crocodiles and the black headed þython and l touched the black headed python.





SIENNA: Crocodylus visited today and they bought a crocodile to school. l held it.

SAVVINA: Todav I went to the blue room and there was a man. We got to hold a crocodile and we got to hold eggs and teeth and a snake.

ELIAS:

Today a man visited our school. He let us touch the crocodiles' teeth and the egg. One small tooth and one big. He showed us the rope to see how a crocodile eats kids and he let us hold the crocodile.

AIDEN: Todav we saw a man in the blue room. Then we see the eggs and the teeth. We got a crocodile to hold and the snake to hold.







RAYAN: ...The man showed us the animals. We saw the black headed python and we saw the crocodiles and then we asked questions about the animals living in the jungle and the sea. So we held the snake.

JETT: Today we saw a man at the blue room take out a snake and take out crocodiles. We touched a snake. Then we touched a crocodile

DAVID: The man showed us the crocodile's egg. Next he showed crocodiles teeth. Last I held a crocodile.

DAKODA: A man showed us a crocodile





AISHA: Today a man came to our school. First he showed crocodile eggs. Next he showed us some teeth. Next he showed us how bia the crocodile is and a snake.





BANE: Today a man from Crocodylus Park visited our class. First he showed us eggs. Next we saw a rope -it was the biggest crocodile. After he showed us a baby crocodile. Then we held a þython. Last í held a baby crocodile

ALICIA: ...There was a dark croc and a light croc. They even showed us how long a crocodile is with a lona rope. They showed us two crocodile teeth and one was giant and one was tiny. They came because we were learning about crocodiles. It was so fun!









MAX: I saw a crocodile.

...First we got to touch the eggs. Next we got to touch big and small teeth. Then he aot the rope and people pulled it. Next he took the crocodiles out the box and we got to touch it. Then he took the black headed python out. Me and Savvina were scared because it was our first time.

EVDOXIA:









SAMIRAH Today crocodiles came to school. I held a crocodile.

# LEARNING SPOTLIGHT

### **IN THE MUSIC ROOM - MS EDESON**

This term, our Year 1/2 classes have learnt to create and read their own body percussion compositions.



Year 5/6 classes have worked on mapping out lyrics, the beat and rhythm from a rhyme we had learnt.



Our Senior Choir had a Week 9 workout with 6 visiting schools to rehearse the first 5 songs of our 2022 BEAT Repertoire. They were great representatives of our school and sang their hearts out!



The BEAT Festival will be held later in the year.



# SILLY SOCKS DAY

# Friday, April 8.

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# Wear your silliest socks and bring a gold coin donation.

Money raised will go to Lismore Primary School, which has been affected by the NSW floods.





#### **Voluntary Parent Contributions**

1 student \$60.00

2 Children \$50.00 each

3 children or more \$40.00 each

Preschool \$50.00 per term

School contributions are voluntary and payment is a parental decision. All contributions are used to directly benefit students.

Your support and contribution to Wagaman Primary School is greatly appreciated.

Account name: Wagaman School Council BSB: 035-306 Account: 93-0622 Ref: Child/children's name

IDEAS IN NUTRITION

Child Sized Serves



Are you confused on how much food you need to serve your children?

The amount of food children need from the 5 Food Groups depends on a lot of factors, such as their age and gender. When children are eating healthy food (from the 5 food groups) they can eat to their appetite.

It may still be useful to know how much is recommended that children eat. For example a serve for preschoolers is around a ¼ of an adult serve.

The Australian Dietary Guidelines provide up-to-date advice about the amount of food from each food group that children of various ages need to eat for health and wellbeing. This guide compiles evidence from over 1000 studies and translates it to food groups.

Find out more about how much children need to eat: tinyurl.com/4mwwzbb2





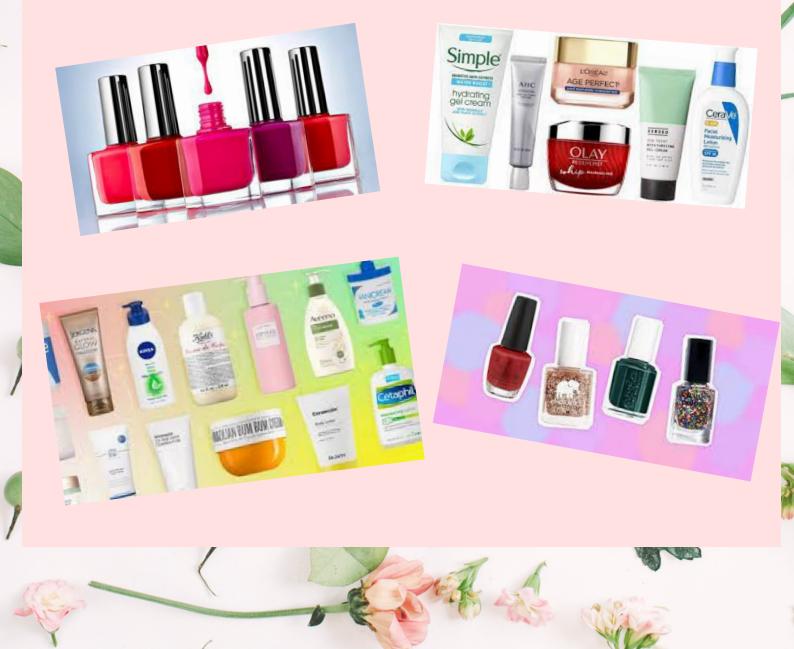
Congratulations to all the winners of our Preschool Easter raffle

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# **Donations Needed**

Next term, our annual Mother's Day spa will be held on Friday, May 6.

Our early years' classes would appreciate any donations such as nail polish, hand, face and body creams.



# Camp Australia Before School Care

### MACHINE PITC COMPETITION AGE: 8-13 PALMERSTON

Training: Wednesday 6:00-7:00pm @Bakewell Primary School

Daling: Wednesday 5:30-6:30pm @Tracy Village Sports Complex

**GAMES** Friday 5:30-6:30pm @Tracy Village Sports Complex TRUM 2: Apr 20th - Jun 17th

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# AGE: 4-8

### PALMERSTO

Training: Wednesday 5:00-6:00pm @Bakewell Primary School

Training: Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm Tracy Village Sports Complex



Sports vouchers accepted

# **NOTICE BOARD**

### CITY OF DARWIN SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

11 - 14 APRIL 2022

IBRARIES Activities for a range of ages across four library locations

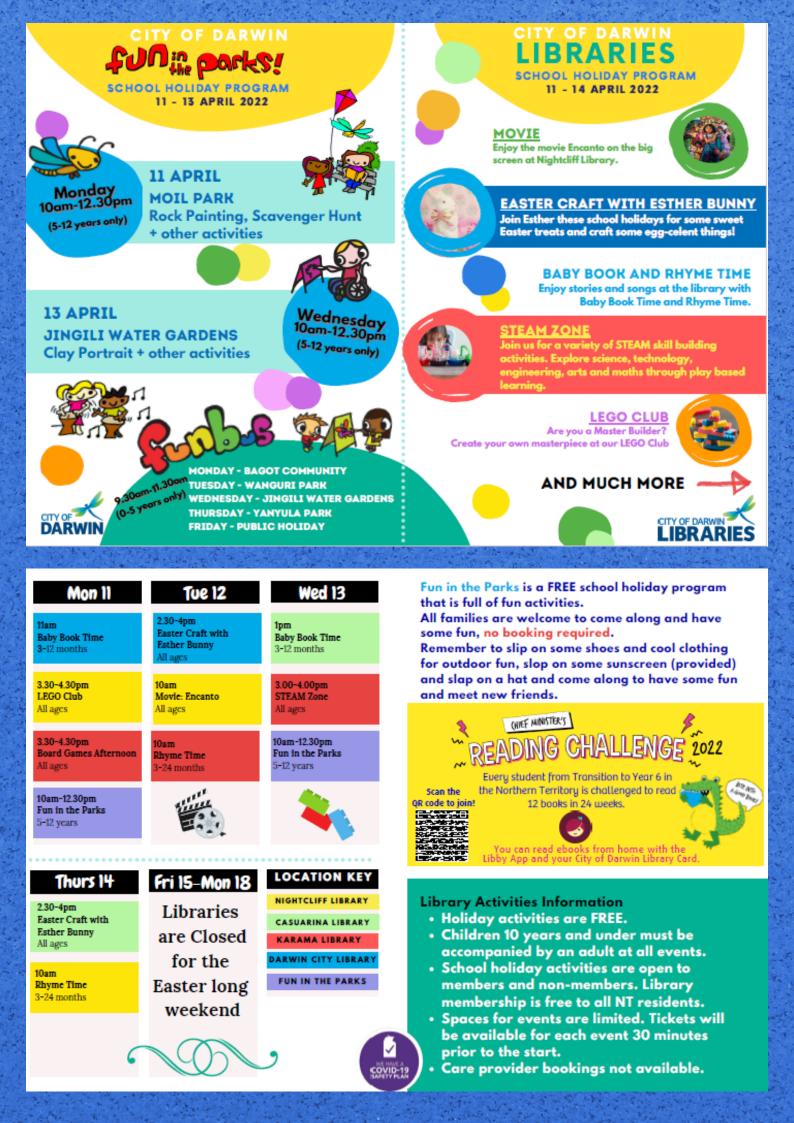
A different location and activity on Monday and Wednesday in the school holidays

the parks! fun





Pick up a program at any Library for all the details or download online darwin.nt.gov.au/libraries CITY OF DARWIN





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CHAMPIONSHIPS

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### Your pathway to the Regional Championships starts here:

Rocketeers Service Championships (Autumn Holidays) Book into Operation: Handball Championships these Autumn holidays. Plus, every Rocketeers handballer gets their own handball and water bottle.

Your OSHC Service Championships (May 16–20, 2022) Book into Your OSHC at no additional cost to your session fee.

All Service Champions will win their place at the Regional Championships, coming in June.



To find out more and for terms and conditions www.campaustralia.com.au/handball

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