

Term 2, Week 02, 28 Apr, 2022



IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:

Mon 2 May

- May Day - Public Holiday

Tue 3 May

- Sporting School's - After School Basketball
Yr 3-4 2:24pm - 3:45pm

Wed 4 May

- Whole School Photos

Fri 6 May

- Mother's Day BBQ Breakfast
- Whole School Assembly
3/4 Ah Mat Hosting
- Mothers Day Spa (Tr - Yr 2)

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to the new school term. We have many exciting things planned for Term 2 and are looking forward to working with you all.

Our term planner was sent home this week, which outlines most of our Term 2 events. If you didn't receive a copy please let our front office staff know, and they will be able to provide you with one.

Last Friday Year 5/6 Vavlas did a fabulous job of hosting our ANZAC Day assembly. It was a very moving commemoration. A special thank you to our guest speaker, Warrant Officer Tyrone Tynan. He gave a moving address and highlighted the significance of ANZAC Day.

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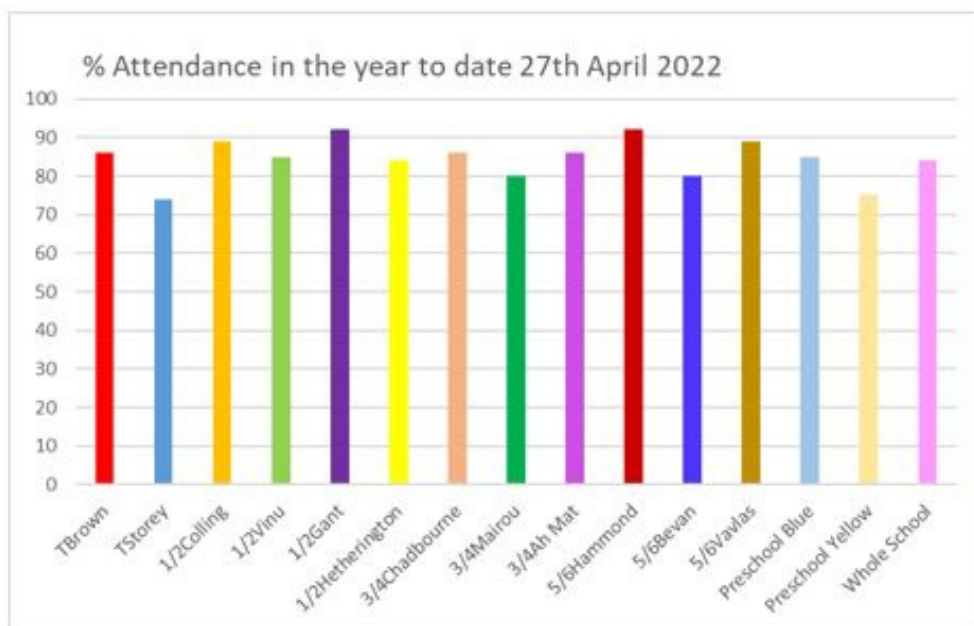
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Last term, our students created beautiful artwork with local artist Janie Andrews. The work depicts symbols of culture designed and created by our Year 3/4 students. The art work is now hanging above the library windows in the foyer area. If you get the opportunity, come in and have a look.

Our whole school attendance is tracking at 84% this year. This is the lowest it has been for a very long time. COVID-19 has had an impact over the past term. We are hoping to lift our attendance rate over this term. Attendance at school every day is important when children are well. A very big congratulations to 1/2 Gant and 5/6 Hammond, who are recording attendance above 90% for the year so far.

TBrown	86
TStorey	74
1/2Colling	89
1/2Vinu	85
1/2Gant	92
1/2Hetherington	84
3/4Chadbourne	86
3/4Mairou	80
3/4Ah Mat	86
5/6Hammond	92
5/6Bevan	80
5/6Vavlas	89
Preschool Blue	85
Preschool Yellow	75
Whole School	84



Our staff have a Professional Learning Day on Tuesday 14th June. This means that students will not be able to attend school that day. Camp Australia is open for those requiring care for their children. Bookings can be made online with Camp Australia. The Professional Learning day will be spent focusing on our school data and establishing our school data plan as part of our Annual School Improvement Plan.

Our car park is a busy zone at the beginning and end of each day. The rules and structures we have in place in this zone are for the safety of our students. Recently we have noticed a number of parents not using the crossing. It is very important that parents model the correct behaviour to help our students learn. The crossing needs to be used when moving from the carpark to the school entry and when departing.



Last year we held a very successful Colour Fun Run, which helped us raise money for our Area 1 playground. This year, we continue to raise money for this very big school project. Because Term 2 is very busy, we have decided to hold our 2022 Colour Fun Run in Term 3. At this stage, the Area 1 playground upgrade will occur in the June/July school holidays.

Next Friday morning, we will be holding a Mother's Day breakfast barbecue. We will have bacon and egg sandwiches, juice and coffee for sale which will contribute to our 2022 fundraising efforts. A big thank you to Kate Worden, Coles Casuarina and Coles Darwin City, who have made generous donations for the event.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Mother's Day barbecue.

Kind Regards

Mandy McKinnon

LEARNING SPOTLIGHT

TRANSITION STOREY

We have been learning a lot about lifecycles lately and diving into what living things need to survive in their environments. The children have been planting seeds in class. We will record our observations and watch them grow over the coming weeks



LEARNING SPOTLIGHT

YR 5/6 VAVLAS

5/6 Vavlas have explored ideas and practices used by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists, to represent different views, beliefs and opinions. We learnt about the use of symbols to tell stories from one generation to the next. Students used various symbols to create art and orally share the meaning of their artwork.





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



REMEMBER...

Bring a water bottle and hat
EVERY DAY.



WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

When your child misses school, they miss important opportunities to...



learn

















develop life skills



build friendships

DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much, but...

If your child misses:	That equals:	Which is:	Over 13 years that's:
 1/2 day per week	 20 days per year	 1 month per year	 1.5 years of school
 1 day per week	 40 days per year	 2 months per year	 2.5 years of school
 2 days per week	 80 days per year	 4 months per year	 5 years of school
 3 days per week	 120 days per year	 Over half a school year	 8 years of school

Every day counts!

COMING SOON

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Before School Care

Find healthier Snacks



Over 25% of Australian children aged 5-17 years are above a healthy weight.

Without diet change, children who are above a healthy weight can suffer from life-long health issues. A family approach to eating food from the 5 food groups can make a big difference.

Eating healthier snack food is a good place to start.

Why not try swapping foods like:

- ✗ sweet biscuits **swap for** ✓ sandwiches
- ✗ muesli bars **swap for** ✓ pieces of fruit
- ✗ lollies **swap for** ✓ yoghurt
- ✗ potato chips **swap for** ✓ vegetable sticks and dip.

For more healthy snack ideas:
tinyurl.com/ye4p4cp7



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 $\frac{1}{4}$ 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



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