

Newsletter

Term 2, Week 04, 12 May, 2022





IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:

Fri 13 May

• Author Workshop (Yr 3-6)

Mon 16 May

 School Council Meeting 5.45pm -Staffroom

Fri 20 May

- Whole School Assembly 1/2 Gant Hosting
- Soccer Gala Day

Mon 23 May

 Musica Viva "Music in My Suitcase"

Wed 25 - Fri 27 May

• Yr 3/4 Batchelor Camp

Thu 26 May

• National Sorry Day

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our Mother's Day morning barbecue was a success last Friday morning. It was great to enjoy the slightly cooler morning. We raised about \$1000 that will go towards our playground project.

It was wonderful to see mothers, sisters, grandmothers, carers, and female role models attend our Early Year Mother's Day Spa on Friday afternoon.

I know everyone enjoyed being pampered, and I saw many wonderfully painted fingernails.

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On Friday afternoon, some of our Year 3/4 students worked with students from SEDA School and Indigenous artist Dale Cockatoo creating designs and learning painting techniques that will be used to update our decorative poles in our bush tucker garden. All classes will participate in this project, and we look forward to seeing the completed poles at the end of the term. Thank you to Ms Ah Mat for organising this wonderful learning experience.

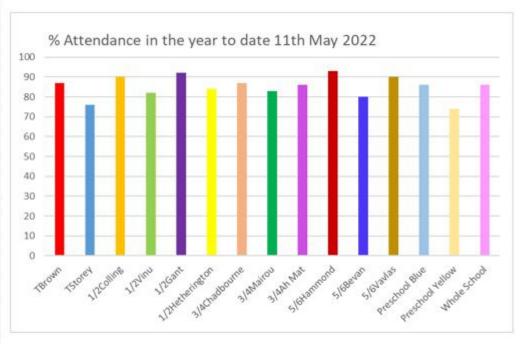
Our Year 3 and 5 students have been participating in NAPLAN testing this week. NAPLAN is a National Assessment. Students participate in a Writing, Reading, Numeracy and Language Conventions test across two weeks. Except for the Year 3 Writing, all tests are carried out online. The results of these tests will be available next term.

Our School Council meets this coming Monday, 16th May again. The meeting begins at 5:45 pm in our school staff room. All parents are welcome to attend.

Our staff have a <u>Professional Learning Day</u> on <u>Tuesday 14th June</u>. <u>Students will not be able to attend school on this day</u>. Camp Australia is open for those requiring care for their children. Bookings can be made online with Camp Australia. The Professional Learning day will focus on our school data and establish a school data plan as part of our Annual School Improvement Plan.

Our whole school attendance has risen slightly over the past two weeks. It is now sitting at 86% for the year to date. We aim to get it over 90% before the end of the year. A huge congratulations to 5/6 Vavlas, 5/6 Hammond, 1/2 Colling and 1/2 Gant, who are all tracking at an attendance rate of 90% or more for the year.

Class	% to date		
TBrown	87		
TStorey	76		
1/2Colling	90		
1/2Vinu	82		
1/2Gant	92		
1/2Hetherington	84		
3/4Chadbourne	87		
3/4Mairou	83		
3/4Ah Mat	86		
5/6Hammond	93		
5/6Bevan	80		
5/6Vavlas	90		
Preschool Blue	86		
Preschool Yellow	74		
Whole School	86		



Looking forward to seeing everyone at school every day! Kind Regards

Mandy McKinnon



Before School Care

LEARNING SPOTLIGHT

TRANSITION BROWN

We have had a very busy start to Term 2 in Transition learning about living and nonliving things. We have been researching what animals and plants need to survive and now know they need sun, food, water, and space. We have been learning through observing our tadpoles who turned into frogs and planting seeds in our garden. We will continue to research what chickens need for the remainder of the term.

Did you know Transition have been incubating 51 eggs for the last three weeks? We are now eagerly waiting for the chickens to hatch any day now. Over the last 21 days, we have been candling them which means we can see the chicken growing in the egg. Students got to see their beaks open and their legs moving and growing. We have been reading to them, singing to them, and monitoring the temperature and humidity more frequently to encourage them to pip out of their eggs earlier. Transition are looking forward to sharing some EGG-Citing news with you soon.



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TRANSITION BROWN











LEARNING SPOTLIGHT

YR 3/4 AH MAT

What would life be like in another country? This has been our focus question for our Inquiry unit this term. Students have thoroughly enjoyed researching the similarities and differences between Australia and other countries and developing wonderings about if they would like to live there or not.

The 26th of May is National Sorry Day. 3/4 Ah Mat acknowledges and respects the significance of this day and have spent time learning about the history and the importance it has to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. We are currently working on an art project that will be on display for you to see.











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



NOTICE BOARD



Tuning into Kids

12 May to 16 June 2022

10:00am to 12:00pm

Learn how to emotion coach your children and understand their behaviours and your responses as a parent.

123 Magic

11 August to 25 August 2022

10:00am to 12:30pm

The new 3 step discipline for calm, effective and happy parenting.

Circle of Security

3 November to 8 December 2022

10:00am to 12:30pm

Attachment based parenting program for parents of children 0-5 years of age.

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Malak Family Hub: 8944 2088

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Email: intake@catholiccarent.org.au



WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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











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	00000 00000 00000 00000	20 days per year	*****	1 month per year	T	1.5 years of school
è	1 day per week	***************************************	40 days per year	*****	2 months per year		2.5 years of school
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èèè	3 days per week	***************************************	120 days per year		Over half a school year		8 years of school

Every day counts!

IDEAS IN NUTRITION

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Fussy eating



NT HEALTH

Fussy eating is common and is a normal part of childhood development.

To help make meal times easier try:

- ✓ 2-3 hours with no snacks before meals, to help children to be hungry at meal times
- parents deciding what is on offer, children deciding how much to eat
- ✓ if you child doesn't eat, pack the meal away in the fridge and offer it later
- eating healthy food together and try not to force children to eat
- being relaxed at meal times
- ✓ do what you can to make meal times a calmer experience for your family.

View fussy eating videos:

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Write and create a book
and you could be the
Young Territory Author
of the Year

First Prize of \$500

School Entry Prize of \$500

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