



wagaman
primary school

NEWSLETTER

Term 1, Week 2
Feb 8, 2024



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fri 9 Feb

- Whole school assembly hosted by 5/6 Vavlas

Tue 13 Feb

- Whole school open evening
Meet our Teachers 5-6pm

Tue 27 Feb

- School Council AGM

Thu 29 Feb

- DMS Young Achiever's Day

Mon 4 Mar - Fri 8 Mar

- Life Education

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

It has been wonderful to welcome both returning and new families to Wagaman over the past two weeks.

Next Tuesday evening, from 5-6 pm, we will be hosting a "Wagaman Welcome" as our first event for 2024. It will be an opportunity for students to bring their families, meet and chat with school staff and see what is happening in their classroom, specialist classes and around the school. This is also a wonderful opportunity for our families to connect with each other. Students will have a passport to collect stamps on. A free sausage sizzle will be available for all to enjoy. Families are welcome to drop in throughout the hour we are open. You can stay for the whole hour or just a short time.

REMINDER

☎ 08 8922 6011

🌐 www.wagamanprimary.nt.edu.au

📘 @wagamanprimaryschool

Phone the school office
if your child is absent.



WELCOME

COME MEET OUR STAFF

Our school will be open for families to come and connect with staff. Join us and find out more about our learning programs.

Tuesday, Feb 13
5.00pm – 6.00pm

FREE sausage sizzle
throughout the evening.



 08 8922 6011

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Mr Russell and I have been spending some mornings in the car park over the past week. This area is busy during short periods at school drop off and pick up times. To ease congestion, it is important that families utilise the drop off/pick up zone appropriately. It is a place where children can independently get out of the car and walk themselves into school. The driver must remain in the vehicle. Drivers also need to **move as far down in the zone as possible to enable space for other cars** to come in from behind. If your child is slow to come out, simply drive around again and re-enter the drop off zone. These little actions ensure that traffic can move more easily and freely through the zone. Most importantly we ask that families **DO NOT PARK IN THE DROP OFF ZONE** as this makes it difficult for other families and unsafe for Wagaman Primary School students.



Just a reminder to all families that Wagaman Primary School is a smoke free zone. This zone does also include our carpark. We have had reports of people smoking in the carpark which is a concern for the health and safety of all in our school.

Wagaman Primary School acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which we learn, the Larrakia people. We respect their Elders, past, present and emerging.



This year, Wagaman Primary School is focusing on strengthening instruction in reading through the implementation of Read Write Inc in the Early Years and Literacy blocks across the school. Read Write Inc is a structured approach to the teaching of phonics, linking reading and writing. The focus of this program is teaching students to decode words by blending sounds.

We are also focusing on strengthening engagement through the Health curriculum. An important part of this will be the implementation of the Keeping Safe Child Protection Curriculum across the school. We will be sending further information to families and be holding an information session as the year progresses.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at "Wagaman Welcome" next Tuesday evening.

Kind Regards,

Mandy McKinnon
Principal

INSTRUCTION

Heggerty
Read Write Inc
Literacy Blocks
Mentoring and Coaching
Peer Observations
Meaningful Maths
Inquiry Approach

LITERACY

Strengthen instruction in reading by developing a whole school approach.

HEALTH

Engage students in the Health curriculum to improve their physical and mental wellbeing.

ENGAGEMENT

Keeping Safe Curriculum
Social and Emotional Learning
Inquiry Learning
School Wide Positive Behaviour
Zones of Regulation
Relationships and Partnerships

Instruction + Engagement = Growth and Achievement



JOIN NOW



Is your child interested in learning an instrument?

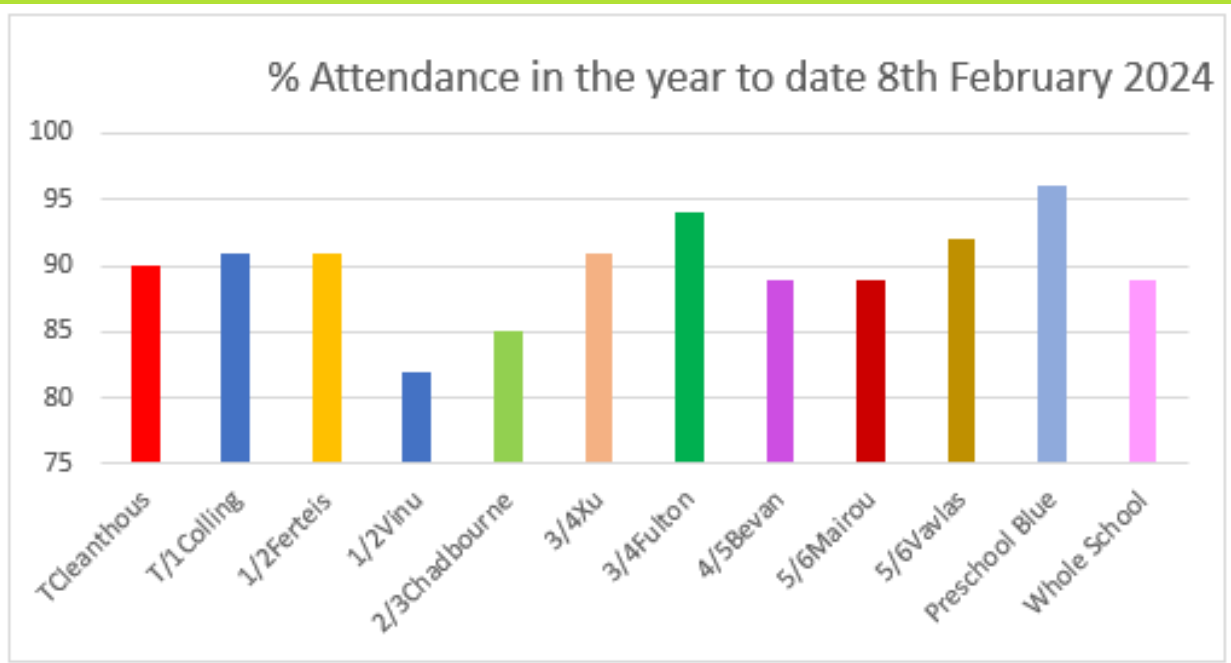


Enrolment applications are open for new students in the NT Music School's 2024 Instrumental Program.

There are spaces for flue, saxophone, clarinet and percussion.



It is great to see that a number of our classes are already sitting on over 90% attendance this year so far.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

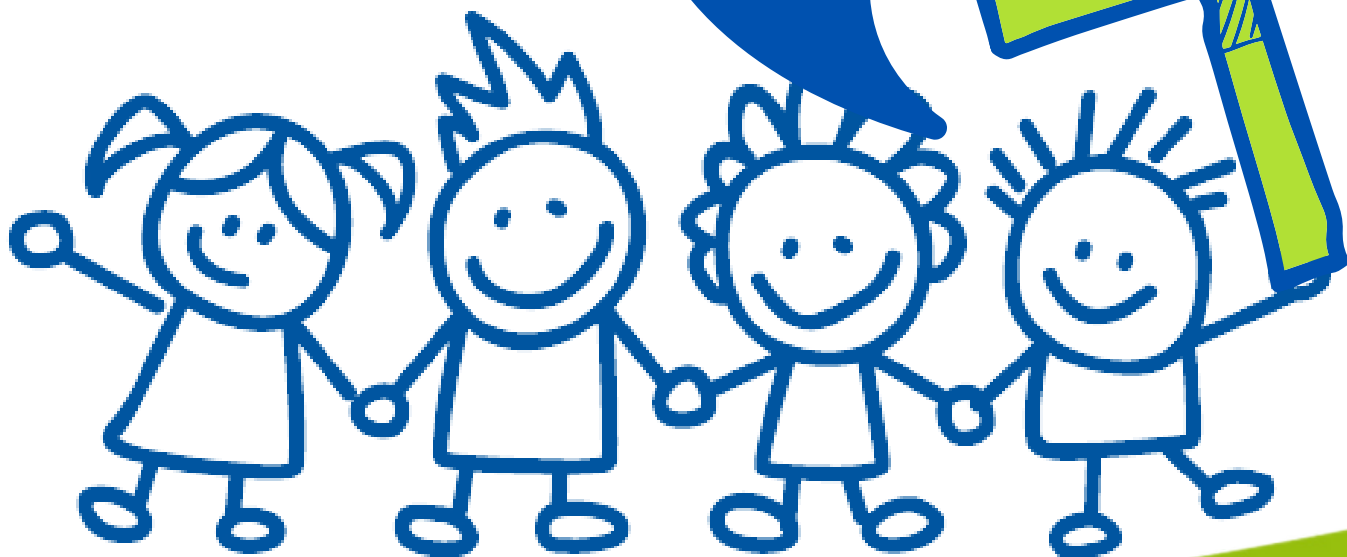
School Council is a great opportunity for our families to COME TOGETHER and SHARE IDEAS, that help shape the future direction of our school.

If you are interested in joining our School Council as a parent representative, please come along to our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, Feb 27 from 5.30pm.

Help us in...

Making a Difference

JOIN US



WHAT'S THE LEARNING IN HEALTH

KEEPING SAFE

CHILD PROTECTION CURRICULUM



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

This year, as part of our health lessons, our teachers will be using the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum (KS:CPC), an evidence-based child safety and respectful relationships curriculum.

The program teaches children and young people ways to keep themselves safe.

The curriculum is based on two main themes which are presented through topics and activities:

Theme 1: We all have the right to be safe

Theme 2: We can help ourselves to be safe by talking to people we trust.

The two themes are explored through four Focus Areas, which are examined in growing complexity in accordance with the age of the learners.

1. The right to be safe
2. Relationships
3. Recognising and reporting abuse
4. Protective strategies.

The learning activities are structured in a sequential nature and at an age and developmentally appropriate level covering a range of topics.



If you would like to know more, we will be holding an information evening for parents in the coming weeks.



Congratulations, Cleo, who received a Student Citizenship Award on Australia Day.

The Student Citizenship Awards recognise a student who shows a sense of fair play, generosity of spirit, concern for others, cultural understanding, positive attitude and involvement within the school and the wider community.

The awards were hosted by Australia Day NT and the City of Darwin.

Have you redeemed your child's Back to School voucher?

Great news!

Back to School payments have returned with every student eligible for \$200 to put towards educational items and services.

From books, stationary, uniforms and excursions, the \$200 covers a wide range of useful items and services that will set your child up for success in 2024.

Redeem your voucher with our school office by the end of Term 1.





SCHOOL NOTICES



MESSAGE



You need a hat
and water bottle,
every day!



MESSAGE



Please let our office
staff know if your
address, phone or
email changes.

Have your
contact details
changed?





SCHOOL NOTICES

WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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



learn

develop life skills



be active

build friendships

education.nt.gov.au



IS YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN LEARNING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?

Enrolment applications are open for new students in the NT Music School's 2024 Instrumental Program. Instrumental lessons are offered during school hours for students in Year 4, 5, & 6. Spaces are still available for flute, clarinet, saxophone, trombone, trumpet, percussion & guitar. Lessons are free with a \$100 contribution requested once placement in the program is confirmed. Instrument hire from \$100. Sports Vouchers accepted to assist with cost of hiring instruments.

Apply online now to secure your interest at
www.ntms.net.au

Should you require further assistance phone the
NT Music School on **8963 5550**.



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Pay for lunch online!

The canteen has partnered with Spriggy Schools to make online ordering easy.



SCHOOL NOTICES

Darwin Regional Meeting

Parents and staff from ALL Darwin Region School Representative Bodies are invited to attend your
Regional Council General Meeting

Monday 19 February 2024
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Fong Lim Electorate Office
65 Stuart Highway, Stuart Park



RSVP enquiries@ntcogso.org.au



COMMUNITY NOTICES

TRIALS INFORMATION 2024



AFL

12 YEARS & UNDER
BOYS AND GIRLS
6-8TH FEB
SANDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL
3:30PM-5:00PM

TOUCH FOOTBALL

12 YEARS & UNDER
BOYS AND GIRLS
14-15TH FEB
SANDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL
3:30PM-5:00PM

NETBALL

15 YEARS & UNDER
GIRLS ONLY
27-29TH FEB
CDU STADIUM, MARRARA
3:30PM-5:00PM

12 YEARS & UNDER

BOYS AND GIRLS
12-14TH MARCH
CDU STADIUM, MARRARA
3:30PM-5:00PM

TENNIS

12 YEARS & UNDER
BOYS AND GIRLS
NOMINATIONS CLOSE MARCH 28TH

SOCCER

12 YEARS & UNDER
BOYS AND GIRLS
2-4TH APRIL
BAGOT OVAL
3:30PM-5:00PM

CRICKET

12 YEARS & UNDER
BOYS AND GIRLS
14-16TH MAY
DXC ARENA
3:30PM-5:00PM

TRACK & FIELD

10+ YEARS
BOYS AND GIRLS
NOMINATIONS CLOSE JUNE 14TH

International day of WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SCIENCE



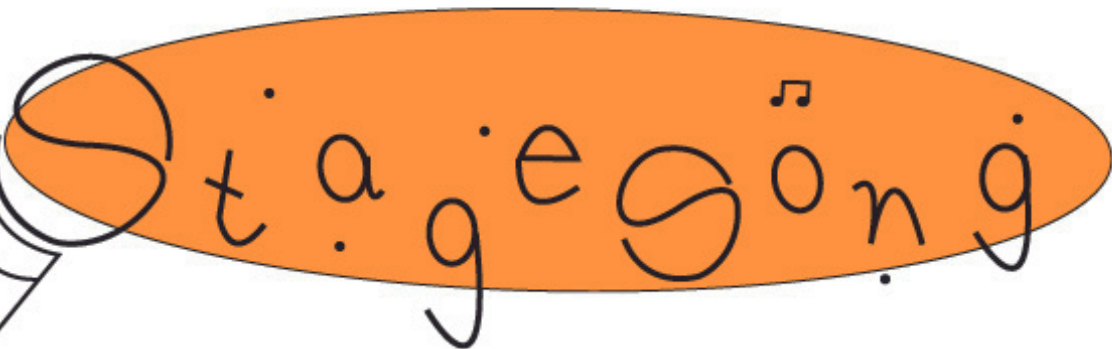
Be inspired by the great things women are doing in science in the Territory, and fan the flame for the next generation.

Experiences in Technology, health and medicine, fisheries, environmental science, biology and more...

Date: Friday 9th February 2024

Time: 3.00-4.30pm

Location: Casuarina Library



Have you spent your whole life wishing we had a musical theatre group for kids in Darwin? Ta Daaaaa! 2024 will see that wish come true. Join Sian Edeson and a bunch of musical theatre enthusiasts for three terms of jazz hands and fun. No experience necessary, no auditions, all welcome between the ages of 8 to 18.

Find us at stagesongdarwin.com.au or on Facebook and Instagram!



COMMUNITY NOTICES

HIPPY

Families learning together with fun and free activities



The Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters is a fun and free program for families that supports children's learning in the two years before school.

Join HIPPY in 2024 if:

- your child turns 3 before 30 June
- you live in the Darwin area
- you want to support your child to build self-esteem and become more engaged in their learning



A HIPPY Home Mentor will visit you with books and activity packs and practice them with you. We also hold regular group gatherings in the local community.



HIPPY only takes 10-15 minutes a day of learning and playing with your child to make change that lasts a lifetime!



Contact Us
Clare at Anglicare NT on
0437 887 673, 8985 0000 or
cbizley@anglicare-nt.org.au



The Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY) is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services. The Brotherhood of St. Laurence holds the licence to operate HIPPY in Australia.



KICK OFF YOUR FOOTBALL JOURNEY

4-11 YEARS



- Monday; 19th Feb - 25th Mar
- 5:00pm - 6:00pm
- Football Northern Territory
- Darwin Football Stadium
23 Abala Road, Marrara
- \$ \$100 - includes participant pack

Visit playfootball.com.au/miniroos-kickoff-finder to register your child today!





COMMUNITY NOTICES



- FOUR WEEKS -

COME & TRY PROGRAM

FREE

AGE GROUP: 4-11

WED 21st FEB - 13th of MARCH

5-6pm at TRACY VILAGE (BACK OVAL)

28 TAMBLING TERRACE, LYONS

For more information on how to register
please contact us via email or direct message



Mini
ROOS



MiniTillies, let's play!



Football NT
23 Abala Road
Marrara



5:00PM - 6:00PM



MONDAY
19th FEB - 25th MAR



\$100.00 - includes
participant pack



AGES 4-11

REGISTER NOW

minirooms.com.au/minitillies

DIVERSITY
IS our game



Northern
Territory
Government