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### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Fri 21 Jun

- Hockey Gala Day
- Last Day of Term 2

Tue 16 Jul

• Students return to school

Fri 19 Jul

- Japanese Survivor Day
- Community Movie Night Wagaman
  Primary School Oval

Wed 24 Jul - 25 Jul

• Welcome back, Kath Murdoch

Fri 26 JulPublic Holiday - Darwin Show Day

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

As another term draws to a close it has been great to reflect on all we have achieved. Our classes have been busy with their learning programs, and it has been wonderful to see families coming in and seeing this through our inquiry showcases.







Phone the school office if your child is absent.

08 8922 6011

www.wagamanprimary.nt.edu.augwagamanprimaryschool









Our Read Write Inc. implementation is going very well with some great results achieved. Our team also held a very successful information evening for families. This term we held our awesome dry season concert and a number of transition opportunities for our Year 5 and 6 students at Dripstone Middle School. Our Learning Commissioners were very proud to see their work come together at their "Booknic." There was also Musica Viva, as well as a variety of sporting opportunities and of course our annual sports day.



Today it was exciting to see some of our primary students communicating with students their age in Japan as part of our Japanese program with Miki Sensei. These are only some of our achievements this term. We are proud of the richness and diversity of the opportunities we offer to our students at Wagaman.













Tomorrow is the last day of school for Term 2. We are all looking forward to a wellearned rest so that we are ready for another exciting term at Wagaman.

We had planned to hold an indigenous cultural morning this week, however, we have had to reschedule. We are now hoping to hold this on Friday 9th August. Mr Brod is working to put together a variety of learning activities for our students to engage with groups and individuals from the local community. If you have any ideas, please reach out to Mr Brod to discuss these possibilities further.





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.



We held our monthly school council meeting on Monday evening. It is always a great night for members to connect and discuss school budgets, initiatives and catch up on what is happening at school.

Council will be hosting a movie night on our school oval on Friday 19th July from 6:30 pm. The evening is kindly sponsored by Kate Worden MLA for Sanderson.

It will be a fundraiser and we will be selling sausage sandwiches, drinks, popcorn and icy poles to raise important funds for our school.





Yesterday, all students received their Semester 1 progress reports. It was a pleasure to read through these and see the learning growth, celebrations and challenges.

Our front office will be open from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm each day during the school holidays.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Ms Vinu for her wonderful work at Wagaman. She will be on leave for the rest of 2024. We are still working to recruit a teacher for her class and will let families know once we have secured one.

Wishing all our families a happy and safe school holiday break. We're looking forward to seeing all students back at Wagaman on Tuesday, 16th July for another great term of learning.

Kind Regards

Mandy McKinnon Principal





Tuesday

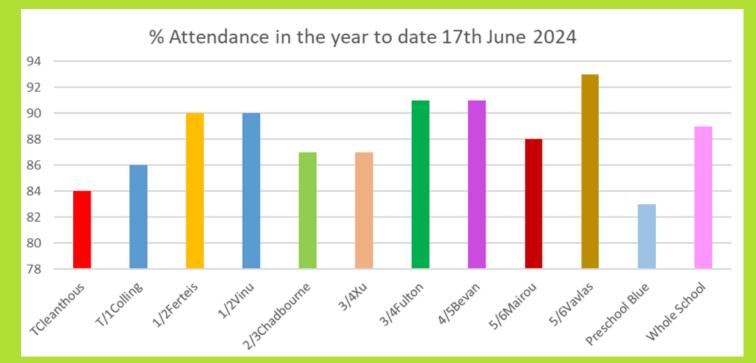
July 16



Our attendance continues to track at 89% for the year to date.

Well done to 1/2 Vinu, 1/2 Ferteis, 3/4 Fulton, 4/5 Bevan and 5/6 Vavlas who continue to have attendance of 90% or above.

Keep up the great efforts.



### DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much, but... If your child misses: Which is: That equals: Over 13 years that's: 1/2 day 20 days 1 month 1.5 years ò ò ò à à per week per year of school per year 40 days 2 months 2.5 years 1 day per week per year of school per year à à à à à 80 days 2 days 4 months 5 years per week per year of school per year 120 days Over half a 8 years 3 days per week school year of school per year Ever dav counts! attract and the second

# WHAT ARE WE LEARNING? YEAR 3/4 FULTON

3/4 Fulton have been working with the preschool every Tuesday afternoon during Semester 2. In previous years, these students were the younger buddies who were directed by older students. This year was their first experience in being the older buddies in the relationship.

Some embraced the role change; others sometimes found it difficult to remember that they were now the leaders and the role models. And they all developed a huge appreciation of the work of preschool teachers and parents! Savvina stated after the first visit: "I didn't think it would be that hard."

So, why does Wagaman School have a whole school buddy program?

Greenwood, Carta, and Hall 1988, p. 264 state that the three most common benefits of buddy programs are:

- the learning of academic skills,
- the development of social behaviours and classroom discipline,
- the enhancement of peer relations.

Researchers have also identified improvements in self-esteem, and it is important to note that buddy programs benefit both the older and the younger buddy.

During the semester our program has included shared reading, gardening and, most recently practice for the preschool sports day.













Helping 25 very enthusiastic preschoolers put on gardening gloves was hard work. Getting them to keep the gloves on proved even harder!







Practising for sports day was challenging but fun! Celia: "My buddy kept telling me that she wanted to go on the swings instead." Aaron: "My buddy does to me what I do to my mum. When I hold his hand, he tries to pull away from me."













It may be tricky wrangling those preschoolers at times, but 3/4 Fulton have developed some strategies: Angelo: "I know where my buddy hides, so when he runs off, I can find him."

David K: "I ask my buddy if he wants to play this or that, so he chooses something good."







# UNDER THE STARS MONE HIGH Friday, July 19 From 6:30pm Wagaman Primary School Oval

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Sponsored by Kate Worden, MLA: Member for Sanderson

# CONGRATULATIONS

Well done, George in 5/6 Vavlas, who was selected in the 12y and under soccer team for the Darwin Region.

#### **DARWIN REGION SPORT EDUCATION**

 ${}^{\flat}$ 12 Years & Under Boys Football (Soccer)  ${\cal V}$ 

#### Team Members

Raver Ocampo Darshan Ghimire Thomas Brooks Khyenrab Jamtsho Lleyton Bajraktari George Tsirbas Charlie Boston Ned Weston Addison Omeike Skevos Halikos Arnav Punia Jesse Dracopoulos Max Boston George Cotis Lewis Bellot Harry Ridley Sebastian Tidswell Clancy Needham Jasiah Anderson Shudin Gautam Patrick Rashleigh Leonitas May-Presley Calum Scott Seth Gray 29

#### Reserve Members

Cayson Rogan Anthony Reichstein Steve Sojan George Harry Collins Michael Papathomas William Kiley

#### Team Officials

Coach: Justin Groves Manager: Demetrio Baptista Coach: Mohamed Aly Manager: Glen Ridley

Congratulations









Last week, our SRC held a nude food campaign to reduce rubbish brought into our school. Thank you to Darwin City Councillor, Kim Farrah, who donated some prizes.

# HAD AT WAGAMAN?

# Yr 6 Orientation Dripstone Middle School







IN CASE YOU

MISSED IT ...











# Sports Day 2024

























































































# Preschool Sports Morning



























CSC Star Gazing Evening



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# HAVE YOU PAID YOUR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION?

We would like to remind families of the importance of making the voluntary parent contribution to Wagaman Primary School.

Your contribution is essential in supporting the educational programs and initiatives that make our school a safe and positive learning environment for all students.

Last year, funds were spent on improving the security of our school. We now have a new fence at the front of our school that has helped to enhance the safety of our students.

We thank our families, for their ongoing support.

-\$2,000

\$4,000

**\$8.000** 

\$6,000

THANK



Account: Wagaman School Council BSB: 035-306 Account: 930622 Ref: child/rens name

1 child = \$60

2 children = \$50 each 3 children or more = \$40 each Preschool = \$50 per term

So far this year, our families have contributed \$4080.

**SCHOOL NOTICES** 

# WAGAMAN OSHC VACATION CARE PROGRAM

#### June & July Program 2024



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Movie Day Enjoy yummy popcorn and a fun movie at OSHC.



Paint and Sip

A fun filled day with your choice

of fresh juice and a canvas to

join in directed painting



Bike and Scooter Day. Bring your own bike and scooter to race with your friends at OSHC.



Water Slide Incursion Bring a change of clothes and a towel to enjoy the waterslide.



Sushi Day Making yummy food is always the best way to learn about different cultures!

For further inquiries, please send an e-mail to wagamanoshc@childaustralia.org.au | 0481 699 262



### Your local Member for Sanderson Kate Worden MLA presents...

DERSO

- ★ Free Barista coffee
- ★ Free Sausage sizzle
- ★ Petting Zoo
- ★ Dunking Machine
- ★ Jumping Castle & Giant Water Slide
- Burning Circus's stilt walkers, interactive circus workshop & giant bubbles
- \* Facepainters
- ★ The Fernandez Sisters and other entertainers

Date: Sunday, 30 June '24 Time: 3pm to 6pm Where: Yanyula Park

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Alcohol free event

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

Come train with the Salties this June/July School Holidays!



Time: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm each day

Venue: Ventia Stadium, Darwin Basketball, Abala Road Marrara NT

Who can register? School age children, all skill levels.

Cost: \$80 per child, per day plus booking fees.



#### **REGISTRATIONS OPEN NOW!**

Includes:

 Specialist coaching by Salties Head Coach Matt Flinn - whether our child is looking to improve skills or just

registration) Opportunity to train with, meet and greet the Tamboran Darwin Salties

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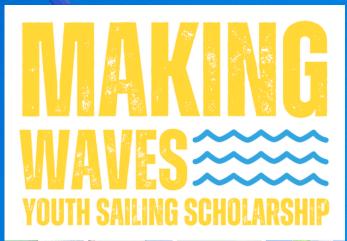
What do you need to bring? Lunch and snacks, own ball and towel

www.intix.com.au/org/darwin-salties



#### www.ntcricket.com.au/holidayprograms

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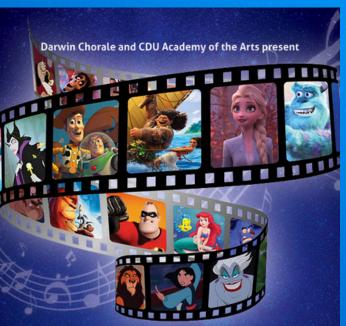
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ARE YOU BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 AND 16? HAVE YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO LEARN TO SAIL? **DO YOU LOVE TO GIVE NEW EXPERIENCES A GO?** 



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### HEROES & VILLAINS

Matinee & Evening | 5, 6, 7 & 12, 13 July 2024 **Charles Darwin University Theatre** Tickets availble from www.darwinchorale.org.au



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# **ADVENTURE**



School Holiday Program

- Ages 6 12
- Only \$85.00 a day
- Sailing SUPs Powerboats & More
- Daily from 8am 4pm
- Friends Fun & Games

BOOK TODAY!

TRAINING ACA SEMY

#### **ENROL NOW FOR TERM 3** AFTER SCHOOL LANGUAGE PROGRAMS **Year 1 to Year 12 Students** Monday to Wednesday - 4:00pm to 6:00pm

Saturdays (Mandarin only) - 10:00am to 12:30pm

Choose from 11 different lang Auslan - French - German - Greek - Japanese -Indonesian - Italian - Mandarin - Portuquese -Spanish and new for Term 3 - Russian School pick up service available from some local

Darwin schools (fees applu)

Term fees are \$180 for a term, based on 1 class per week, per child

#### ENROL NOW

For more Information visit: www.darwinlanguagescentre.nt.edu.au

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Term 3 Enrolments

now open!

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#### **YOUNG TERRITORY AUTHOR AWARDS**

#### Write and create a book and you could be the 2024 Young Territory Author of the Year!

The competition is open to all Territorians 18 years and under residing in the Territory at the time of entering a submission.

First prize - \$500

School Entry prize - \$500 CBCA NT Wow Award - \$200

Enter online, by mail, at any City of Darwin Library or your local library. To find out more, go to: darwin.nt.gov.au/ytaa or scan the QR code.







Do you enjoy playing Minecraft? Do you like learning in fun ways? If your answer is yes and you are in Grades 3, 4, 5 or 6 then come and join us in the school Holidays

We have a 5 Day camp planned where you can choose how many days you want!

Venue: 27 Smith Street, Darwin City in the mall

8:30am - 2:00pm each day

#### Camps Are Designed to:

- Encourage collaboration
- Develop social and communication skills
- Engage Kids in problem solving environments
- Have enormous fun!

We have limited numbers available each day so please book your child's place as soon as you can to avoid disappointment. Books to be made via website

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

Call Daniel 0412 144 404 for any questions

#### IDEAS IN NUTRITION

# Encourage Your Kids to Explore New Tastes

Are you ready to introduce your kids to a world of culinary adventure? It's time to encourage them to explore new tastes and flavours.

So, why not support your child in being a taste explorer and trying a new food this week? Who knows, they might discover a new favourite. This works best when your child is the leader. Your child might not be ready to eat a new food straight away. They might need to be offered foods 10 times before they eat them.

If they are not ready to eat a new food you can encourage them to interact with a food in other ways. They might be willing to touch the food, hold it in their hand or pass it to a family member. All these things are preparing them to feel confident to eat the new food on another day.

