



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fri 23 May

- Assembly - Yr 1.2 Colling
- 3.4 Excursion Ratburger Performance

Mon 26 - Fri 30 May

- National Reconciliation Week

Wed 28 May

- Preschool Sports Day
9:00am – 10:00am

Thu 29 May

- 800m Races (10yrs - 12yrs old)
8:30am - 9:15am

Fri 30 May

- Sports Day

Thu 5 Jun

- Whole School Concert and BBQ
5:30pm – 7:30pm

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Whilst we have all enjoyed the recent long weekends it has been great over the past two weeks to settle back into full weeks of school. We have all been enjoying the lovely dry season mornings and it has been fabulous to see students arriving at school on time so they can engage in our morning fitness program. The morning fitness program is run during Term 2 and 3 from 8:15-8:35am. It is facilitated by our senior students. Morning fitness supports the development of leadership and communication skills for our older students. It also helps foster positive relationship between students in different year levels.

REMINDER

**Supervision
starts from...**

7:55

**School
starts at...**

8:15

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We have had some of our staff out on leave recently. We work hard to secure relief teachers to cover and ensure stability for students. Unfortunately, there is currently a shortage of relief teachers and at times we do need to split classes. When classes are split, students work in an alternate classroom with work organised by their classroom teacher.

Next week, Wagaman Primary School will have a school review. School reviews are conducted every 4 years in all NT schools. The review team are made up of a lead reviewer from the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) and two school and system leaders from the Northern Territory. The team will work in our school for 3 days (next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). During this time, they will speak with staff, students and families. They will also review a range of documentary evidence. The team are looking at our school improvement agenda and the practices we are using to support the ongoing improvement of student learning outcomes at Wagaman. The team will then present their findings to staff on Thursday afternoon. The findings will then be used to plan our next 4-year Explicit Improvement Agenda (EIA) plan. We are looking forward to sharing the great work we do at Wagaman and receiving feedback to support our future directions.



Students have been working hard developing their skills and training for our 2025 Athletics Day. Next Thursday, morning we will hold our 800m event for students 10, 11 and 12 years old. Friday 30 May is sports day. The day will involve running races, field events and early years tabloid events. This year, we even have a surprise race towards the end of the day. Families are welcome to come and join us for the day. Bring a chair or a picnic rug and enjoy the day. If you take your child home early from school on sports day, please ensure they are signed out for our records. Sign out sheets will be available on the oval.



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.

Twelve of our Year 6 students had the opportunity to attend Japanese Survivor Day at the Darwin Languages Centre today. This was an opportunity for students to use their developing Japanese language skills in an authentic context. A big thank you to Miki Sensei for facilitating this wonderful learning opportunity.



There has been a significant rise in anti-social behaviour along Wagaman Terrace recently. When we see this or it is reported to us, we immediately report it to NT police, the Department of Education, and the office of our local MLA. We urge families to also report to police if they have concerns. If your child does walk home, please discuss safety with them and help ensure they take a safe route home.

Kind Regards,

Mandy McKinnon
Principal, Wagaman Primary School



**Phone the school office
if your child is absent.**

Mr Brod's News



This term, in Week 10, we will be holding an Indigenous Culture Day.

The day will provide an opportunity for our students to learn and appreciate the rich culture of Australia's First Nations peoples. We hope to have a variety of activities for students to explore, such as art, music, dance, language and traditional practices.

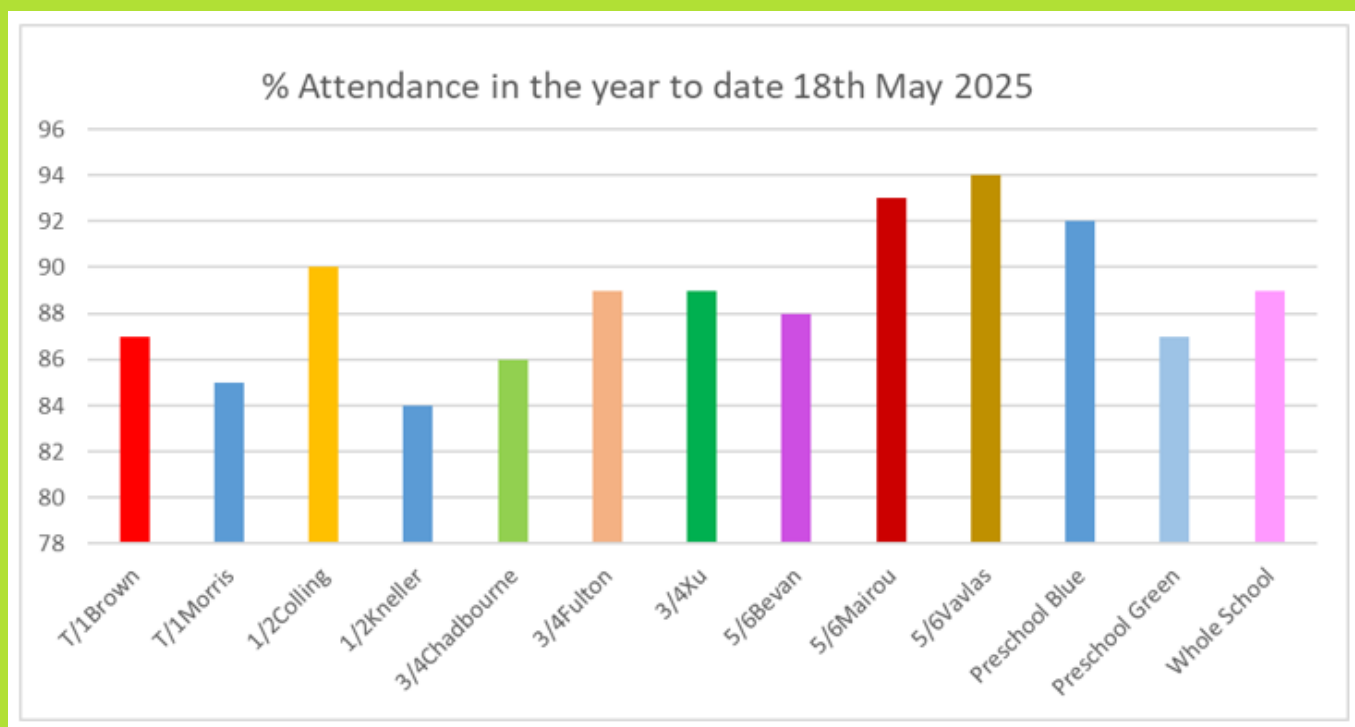
To make this day possible, we are seeking volunteers to work with our classes or share their own knowledge and experiences related to Indigenous culture. If you can help, please contact me.










Our whole school attendance has dropped a little recently and is now tracking at 88.5% for the year to date. Well done to Preschool Blue, 1.2 Colling, 5.6 Mairou and 5.6 Vavlas who currently have attendance of 90% or above.

If your child is absent, please contact the front office and let us know the reason. This information is essential for our attendance records and supports our whole-school approach to monitoring and improving student attendance.



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!

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

YEAR 1. 2 COLLING



We are collaborators and researchers.

We collaborate through...



role play



problem solving



storytelling



constructing



practice



shared tasks



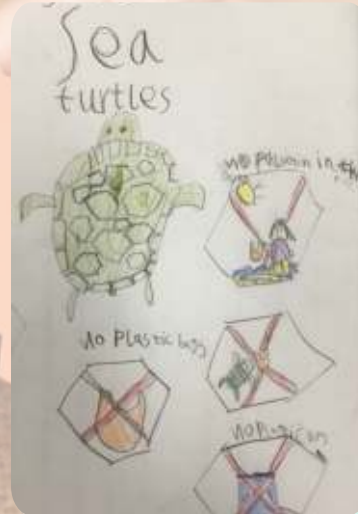


We are collaborators and researchers.

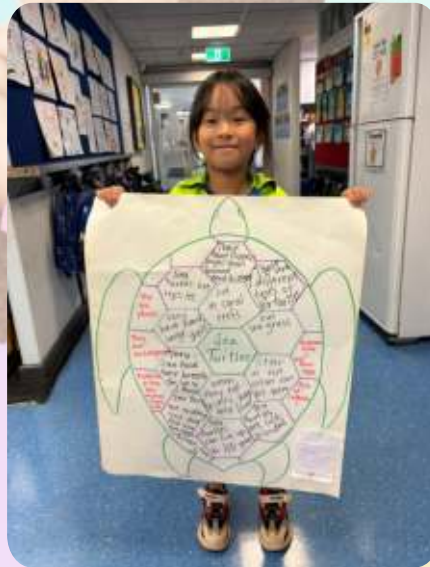
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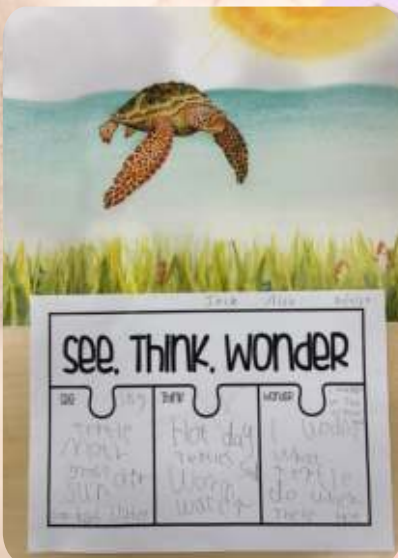
observing closely



taking action



recording information



thinking



asking questions



reading

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

MUSIC WITH MRS HORNE

What an exciting term we have had so far rehearsing for our concert. All pupils have been putting their hearts and souls into the pieces.

They have been learning the background of their characters and portraying this through song and dance.

A reminder, the concert will be on Thursday, 5 June. There is a BBQ from 5:30pm. Children will assemble from 6:10pm in the assembly area, ready for our concert performance at 6:30pm.

T.1 Brown have been getting their teeth into their crocodile dance and watch out. 1.2 Kneller will scare you when you are not expecting it as they embrace being monsters!



SPORTS DAY EVENTS



FRI 29 MAY '25

CROCS V SHARKS

800m Running Races from 8:30am

10 years old - 12 years old

SPORTS DAY EVENTS



FRI 30 MAY '25

CROCS V SHARKS

Running Races from 8:40 am

Field Events from 9:15am am

Sausage sizzle organised by the
canteen.



NEXT WEEK



IN CASE YOU
MISSED IT...

WHAT EVENTS HAVE WE HAD AT WAGAMAN?

Dianne Wolfer Author Visit



AFL Northern Territory Hawthorne Premiership Cups Visit



IN CASE YOU
MISSED IT...

WHAT EVENTS HAVE WE HAD AT WAGAMAN?

Family Fun Afternoon



THANK
YOU!

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS?

10



\$10,000

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

8



\$8,000

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

6



\$6,000

4



\$4,000

Last year, funds were spent on purchasing new laptops. We are continuing this goal for 2025.

2



\$2,000

We thank our families, for their ongoing support.

**So far this year, our families
have contributed...**

\$5,210



SCHOOL NOTICES

Nominate now for the World Teachers' Day NT Awards

World Teachers' Day NT Awards 2025

Celebrating 20 years

Nominations are now open for the World Teachers' Day (WTD) NT Awards, formerly known as the Teaching in the Territory Excellence Awards.

Now in its 20th year, the annual Territory awards are a fabulous way to recognise inspirational educators, principals, leaders and support staff working across our NT government schools who are doing an exceptional job of engaging students in high-quality learning every day!



Past winners...

- Mrs McKinnon, 2013 Primary Teacher of the Year
- Mr Russell, 2019 Primary Teacher of the Year
- Ms Suvi, 2021 Inclusion Educator of the Year, Darwin
- Mr Mairou, 2024 Primary Teacher of the Year

to nominate our terrific
educators!



SCHOOL NOTICES

SAVE THE DATE



wagaman
primary school presents...

The Magic Lamp!



Thursday, June 5th

School Council Fundraising BBQ from 5:30pm
Concert starts 6:30pm

Our School Council are seeking parent helpers to assist with the BBQ. If you can spare some time, please let our office know.

VOLUNTEERS

NEEDED

DONATE

We are after donations of soft drinks and water to sell at our concert. Donations can be left at the office.

- Coke, Coke Zero
- Lemonade
- Fanta Orange
- 600ml Water

REMINDER

Have your contact details changed?



YES, please update at the school office.



REMINDER

You need a bucket hat and water bottle, **EVERYDAY!**






COMMUNITY NOTICES

MAKING WAVES

YOUTH SAILING SCHOLARSHIP

ARE YOU BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 AND 14?
HAVE YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO LEARN TO SAIL?
DO YOU LOVE TO GIVE NEW EXPERIENCES A GO?

FIND OUT MORE



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CULLEN BAY

Yeahhh the girls

DARWIN SAILING CLUBS
ALL GIRLS SAILING
SOCIAL CREW

Australian Sailing | NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT

AGES: 10 - 17
3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH!
4:00PM - 6:00PM
115 May | 19 June | 17 July | 21 August | 18 September

FIND OUT MORE:



DARWIN CROCS

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL

For kids aged 8-13 - all skill levels welcome!

Registration: \$194 + \$56 BA Membership (Sept-Aug)
Uniform: \$95 (if needed) | Glove: \$62 (optional)
NT Sports Vouchers accepted
Learn baseball skills, make friends & have fun!

Location: Tracy Village Sports Complex, Lyons NT
Dates: Wednesdays, 14 May - 27 August
Time: 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Register Online at:
<https://baseballnt.com.au/event/darwin-little-league-2025-season/>

Abilities Unleashed Kids Darwin

A fun, free, and inclusive day connecting children with disabilities to local sport and active recreation opportunities.

Monday, 2nd June 2025
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Marrara Indoor Sports Centre, 10 Abala Rd
Marrara NT 0812

Click here or scan the QR code to register:



Contact: Sam Cunningham | sam@sportant.org.au

NORTHERN TERRITORY | MatchWorks | Disability Support

LITTLE LEAGUE | T-BALL

T-BALL REGISTER TODAY

HAVE FUN. MAKE NEW FRIENDS. STAY ACTIVE

Includes a free glove!

Register Here:
<https://baseballnt.com.au/event/darwin-tball-2025-season/>

May 16th - June 20th 2025
4:30pm - 5:30pm
Tracy Village Sports Complex

David Williams RATBURGER

A play by Maryann Mosler based on the bestselling book

Live on Stage

cdp Kids

Darwin Entertainment Centre presents

Get ready for a hilarious adventure! Zoo's life is tough with a dancing rat named Ratburger bringing a glimpse of hope. Based on David Williams' bestselling novel, Ratburger is a hilarious, heartwarming stage production featuring clucking with charming personality, and unforgettable characters.

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Darwin Entertainment Centre

If you have a local community event, please email us a copy to put in our newsletter.

 wagaman.school@education.nt.gov.au