



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fri 21 Feb

- Assembly - Yr 1.2 Kneller

Fri 28 Feb

- Soccer Gala Day

Mon 3 - Fri 7 Mar

- Lief Education - Healthy Harold

Wed 5 Mar

- Learning Commission Workshop

Thu 6 Mar

- Netball Gala Day

Fri 7 Mar

- Assembly - Student Leadership
Badge Presentation

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

I was very fortunate to be one of four NT principals who travelled to Melbourne last week and attended the 2025 International Congress for School Effectiveness and Improvement. The conference was an opportunity to learn and connect with educational experts from around the world.



ICSEI

International Congress for
School Effectiveness and Improvement

REMINDER

**Supervision
starts from...**

7:55

**School
starts at...**

8:15

 08 8922 6011

 www.wagamanprimary.nt.edu.au

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Our school council held its Annual General Meeting on Monday evening, followed by our first general meeting of the year. Thank you, to those parents who attended the meeting. Members of our school council this year are:

- Rachael Pickering – Chairperson
- Teigan Cremona – Secretary
- Alisha Roditis – Treasurer
- Petroula Yiannakos – Parent Member
- Krystel Schey – Parent Member
- Mario Mairou – Teacher Member
- Irene Vavlas – Teacher Member



We still have one vacant parent position on council for 2025. All parents are welcome to attend our monthly meetings. Attending them is a great way to develop an understanding of the role council plays in our school governance and to connect with other parents. It is also a great way to have input into our ongoing school improvement journey and support us to build connections with our community. Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month from 5:30pm. [The next one will be held on Monday 17th March.](#) If you would like to know more about council, please come and chat with me at school or connect with one of the members listed above.

We love that Wagaman students are enthusiastic to get to school in the mornings. It is, however, important that students do not arrive at school until 7:55am as staff are not on duty prior to this time. Before 7:55am, our playground is closed and students are not able to access it even when accompanied by parents.



It has been great to see some of our classes planning and attending local excursions as part of their learning so far this year. Our school bus helps us access learning opportunities outside our school. Towards the end of this term, our [early years classes will attend swimming lessons, Weeks 7 and 8.](#) In Semester 2, our primary students will also participate in swimming lessons.

On Friday, 8th February, we held our house captain and vice-captain elections. Thank you, to Mrs Bevan who facilitated these. Our house leaders for 2025 are:

| Crocs Captains | Crocs Vice Captains | Sharks Captains | Sharks Vice Captains |
|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Josef Cooper | Bane Grace | Lucas Willa | Ellriza Nevaeh |



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 are looking forward to finalising our student leadership team for 2025 over the next week.

Birthdays are a time for celebration. At school, we have large numbers of students with diverse beliefs and needs. We are happy for students to bring in birthday cupcakes or fruit platter to celebrate with their peers. Other party food and bags are not for school and will be sent home. Our new parent handbook outlines this. Please ensure you take some time to have a look through it.



Harmony Day will be our next whole school function. We will hold a bacon and egg breakfast on Friday 21st March from about 7:15am. It is usually a beautiful morning for families to connect so mark the date in your diary. Bacon and egg sandwiches and coffee will be available for purchase. All funds raised will go towards the purchasing of laptops for our students to use.

Kind Regards,

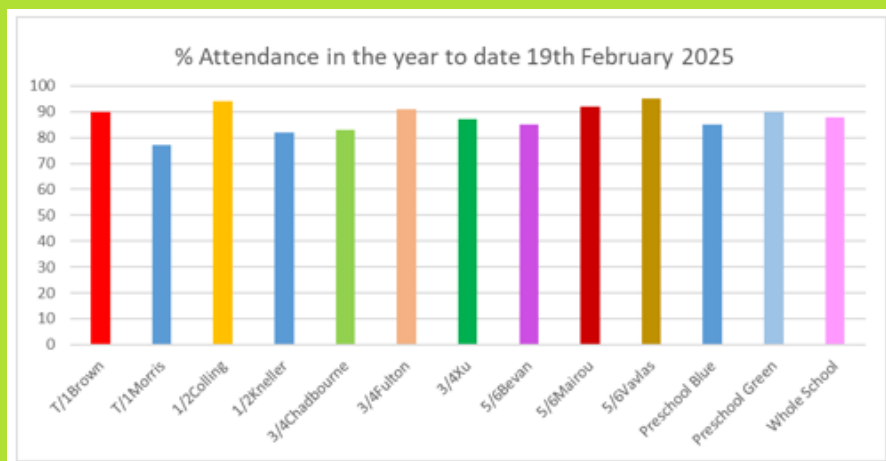
Mandy McKinnon
Principal

REMINDER

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



Our whole school attendance is tracking at 88% for the year to date. Well done to Preschool Green, T.1 Brown, 1.2 Colling, 3.4 Fulton, 5.6 Mairou and 5.6 Vavlas who currently have attendance of 90% or above.



WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

YEAR 3.4 CHADBOURNE

This week, the 3/4 classes visited Casuarina Public Library. Ace gave us a tour of the different sections and where to find books of our interest.

Did you know, not only does the library have a huge selection of books but they also have STEAM and Lego Club afternoons.

Some of us brought along our own library cards and taught our friends how to borrow through the computer system.

Many of us are keen to return to the library with our families and show them around!



CROCS



CAPTAINS

VICE CAPTAINS

CONGRATULATIONS



CAPTAINS

VICE CAPTAINS

SHARKS



SCHOOL CONCERT

Mrs Horne, our fabulous music teacher, is asking families if they have any witches' capes, broomsticks or wands to use in our school concert in June. The students will start rehearsals in Term 2. The items will be returned after the concert.



BOMBING OF DARWIN

Wednesday 19 February, marked the 83rd anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin. Local author, Robyn Smith has generously gifted our school a copy of her picture book, Quincy and the Sheriff.

It's 1942, dark clouds gather over Australia as war threatens to reach its shores. Quincy and Pebbles are caught in the first bombing raid over Darwin and take shelter in a slit trench at the court house with Sheriff Nichols and others. They are devastated as they emerge from the trench when the all-clear is given.

You can read more about Quincy & the Sheriff on Robyn's website:

<https://www.quincyandpebbles.com.au/product-page/quincy-and-the-sheriff>

Thank you to CBCA NT <https://nt.cbca.org.au/> for organising this.



IN CASE YOU
MISSED IT...

WHAT EVENTS HAVE WE HAD AT WAGAMAN?

3.4 classes visit
Casuarina Library



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SCHOOL NOTICES

REMINDER



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



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REMINDER



Have your contact details changed?



If YES, please update at the school office.



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NOW ONLINE



SPORT VOUCHER

Children living in an urban area are eligible to receive two \$100 sport vouchers each year. One in January and one in July, for sport, recreation and cultural activities. Redeeming your child's voucher is now even easier with a new online application form.

Vouchers will not be issued through schools.

Parents or carers need to apply for vouchers online each semester.

TO APPLY FOR YOUR VOUCHER

1. Visit sportvoucher.nt.gov.au/apply
2. Click apply online
3. Follow the prompts to complete the form



If your child's details are in the system, your voucher will be available to print or save immediately. If your child's details are not found in the system, a voucher will be sent to your nominated email address within 7 days.

Further information is available by calling 1800 817 860 or email sport.voucher@nt.gov.au

www.sportvoucher.nt.gov.au



Transition families, can use their NT Sports Voucher to pay for our early years Swimming Program.

Return your sports voucher to the front office by
Friday 28th, February 2025

Spriggy Schools



Download
the app

Spriggy Schools

Pay for lunch online!

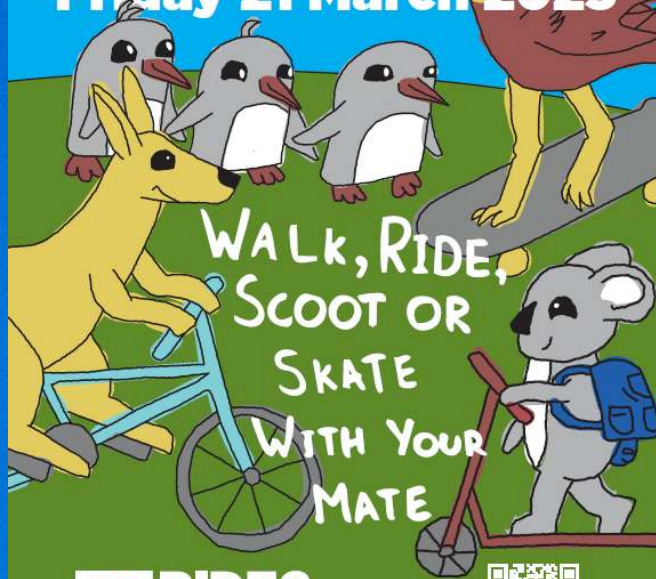
The canteen has partnered with Spriggy Schools to make online ordering easy.



SCHOOL NOTICES

NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY

Friday 21 March 2025



WALK, RIDE,
SCOOT OR
SKATE
WITH YOUR
MATE



**RIDE2
SCHOOL**



**COMING
SOON**



REMINDER

Life Education

Healthy Harold will be visiting our
school again this year in
Week 6, Monday March 3rd - 7th.

LifeEd.
Every child deserves to thrive



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HARMONY DAY 21 MARCH

SAVE THE DATE






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VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Financial support by parents has always played a significant role in providing resources to support the learning experiences of our students.

Families are invited to make a voluntary contribution to our school.

2025 
**WE ARE
AIMING TO REACH
A TARGET OF
\$10,000
FOR 10 NEW
LAPTOPS**

- 1** child = \$80
- 2** children = \$150
- 3** or more children = \$200
-  Preschool = \$50 per term



In person at our school office.



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

THANK
YOU!

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS?

8



\$8,000

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

6



\$6,000

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

4



\$4,000

Last year, funds were spent on purchasing new laptops.

2



\$2,000

We thank our families, for their ongoing support.

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

\$4,260

Wagaman OSHC NEWSLETTER



Opening Hours

After School Care

Monday to Friday
2:30pm to 6:00 pm

Vacation Care

Monday to Friday
7:00am to 6:00pm

Reminders

Please follow us on
Facebook page by
searching
@Child Australia
Wagaman OSHC.

We will share photos of
the children learning.

Term 1: Week 1-3

Message from Ms. Ihrene



Happy Chinese New Year! We're excited to welcome you and your child/ren to another fantastic year at After School Care. Our team is dedicated to creating a safe, fun and enriching environment where children can learn, play and connect with friends.

This year, we have exciting activities planned, from sports, creative arts, STEM and outdoor adventures. Thus, we are striving hard to cater to their multiple intelligences.

Moreover, we encourage open communication, so please feel free to reach out with any questions or feedback.

Thank you, for entrusting us with your child's care. We look forward to a wonderful year ahead!

Wishing you great luck in the Year of the Snake. 🐍



Contact Info

Wagaman OSHC NEWSLETTER



Our Learning Journey

Happy Valentine's Day! 📧

The children had a wonderful time celebrating Valentine's Day by creating beautiful crafts filled with love and creativity! From heartfelt cards to colourful decorations, they enjoyed expressing their appreciation for their beloved friends and family.



Learning to play the guitar is a fun and rewarding experience that benefits both the mind and body! 🎸 😊



Cricket is a fantastic sport for children, promoting a healthy and active lifestyle while teaching valuable life skills! 🏏 😊

Contact Info



COMMUNITY NOTICES



JOIN HIPPY!

HIPPY (Home Interaction Program for Parents & Youngsters) is a **FREE** two-year family learning together program.

HIPPY helps guide families to be their child's first teacher by providing tools and mentorship support.

Families can start the program when their child is three (or turning three before 30 June 2025) or older.

To join HIPPY you must:

- ✓ Be caring for a child 3 years old or turning 3 before June 30 2025
- ✓ Live in the Darwin area

ENQUIRE NOW

Gabby Hale, HIPPY Coordinator
08 8946 4800



Interested? Scan QR code to fill out an expression of interest.



AnglicareNT

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.



MILESTONES WAGAMAN

Now Accepting Enrolments

- ✦ Flexible and casual bookings
- ✦ Free stay and play sessions
- ✦ Quality childcare led by qualified educators
- ✦ Inspiring children through our Lifelong Learning Curriculum

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Activity Education Group

Lifelong Learning Curriculum



SIGN ON DAY


**WEDNESDAY
26TH OF FEBRUARY
5.30PM**

TRACY VILLAGE OVAL
28 TAMBLING TERRACE, LYONS

BRING BOOTS/CLOSED SHOES AND WATER BOTTLE

- SOCCER TRAINING & GAMES
- FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS
- SAUSAGE SIZZLE

HELLENICAC@GMAIL.COM
[@HELLENICATHLETICCLUB](https://www.instagram.com/HELLENICATHLETICCLUB)



FREE ALL GIRLS COME & TRY

3 WEEK PROGRAM | AGES 4-11

WEDNESDAY 19/02 - WEDNESDAY 05/03
5.30PM - 6.30PM AT TRACY VILLAGE
28 TAMBLING TERRACE, LYONS

PLAYERS NEW AND RETURNING WELCOME

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