



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fri 4 Apr

- Assembly - Yr 3.4 Chadbourne
- League Tag Gala Day
- End of Term 1

Tue 15 Apr

- School resumes for students

Fri 18 Apr

- Public Holiday - Good Friday

Mon 21 Apr

- Public Holiday - Easter Monday

Thu 24 Apr

- Special Assembly - ANZAC Day Commemoration

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that it is the last week of the school term. Tomorrow will be the last day of school for Term 1. School will resume for students on Tuesday, 15th April.

Our Harmony Day Breakfast was a great success. The weather was beautiful, and it was great to see so many of our families attend and connect with each other. We raised just over \$600 to put towards the purchase of laptops for our students to use.



**REMINDER**

**Supervision  
starts from...**

**7:55**

**School  
starts at...**

**8:15**

 08 8922 6011

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Our Year 3 and 5 students have now completed the 2025 NAPLAN (National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) testing. All students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN each year. It involves the implementation of 4 tests across a two-week period. The tests are reading, numeracy, writing, and conventions of language (spelling, grammar & punctuation). We are hoping to receive results next term. When reviewing results, it is important to remember that these are single tests held on single days. In a classroom across the year, your child will participate in a variety of assessments and teachers will be able to share a more in depth understanding of your child's achievement.

This term, our Year 3.4 students have visited Shoal Bay Waste Management Facility. It has been a fabulous learning experience. Some of them even shared their learning with the whole school at muster. We are fortunate at Wagaman to have a school bus which makes these local excursions more accessible for our families and students.



Our Year 5.6 choir students are working hard to get ready for The Beat, which is an annual performance involving many NT schools. The Beat Festival involves a 300-voice choir and 25-piece orchestra, as well as dance groups and vocalists. It is coordinated by the NT Music School in collaboration with local schools. Last week, Wagaman hosted a Beat cluster rehearsal, which meant that several choirs from neighbouring schools joined us for the day. Thank you, to Ms Horne who coordinates the Wagaman choir. We are looking forward to seeing the choir perform at The Beat Festival in September.

Last week, our teachers worked together in their teaching teams on their planning for Term 2 at their quarterly collaborative planning day. A key component of this was working with Literacy Impact consultant, Julie Scali. She worked with teachers to provide professional learning and to support in planning their Term 2 literacy work. This is part of our literacy school improvement focus for 2025. At the beginning of next term, many of our teachers (Preschool – Year 4) will be participating in Talk for Writing training. This is a framework for the teaching of writing that links oral language to writing. Some of our early years classes have been using the framework this year and teachers are looking forward to learning more.



TalkforWriting™



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.





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We have recently been fortunate to be able to partner with NT Health to provide vision screening for our students in Preschool to Year 1. This has been very worthwhile, with information being given to families about any further investigation that may be required. Regular vision and hearing tests are important in the early childhood years to support student access to learning and help them achieve their potential.

The recent wet weather has provided some much needed respite from the heat. It has caused some challenges during drop off and pick up times. It is vital that families are patient and mindful of everyone at these busy times. Parents need to either drop students off in the drop off zone or park in the carpark to drop off. **It is not safe to let children get out of the car on the road just before the internal crossing or whilst stopped in the carpark area out of the designated parking zones.**



As we move towards the holidays, I wish everyone a safe and happy break and look forward to seeing all students back at Wagaman on Tuesday, 15th April.

Kind Regards,

Mandy McKinnon  
Principal, Wagaman Primary School



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Parent Portal**

**URGENT**

**SIGN UP**



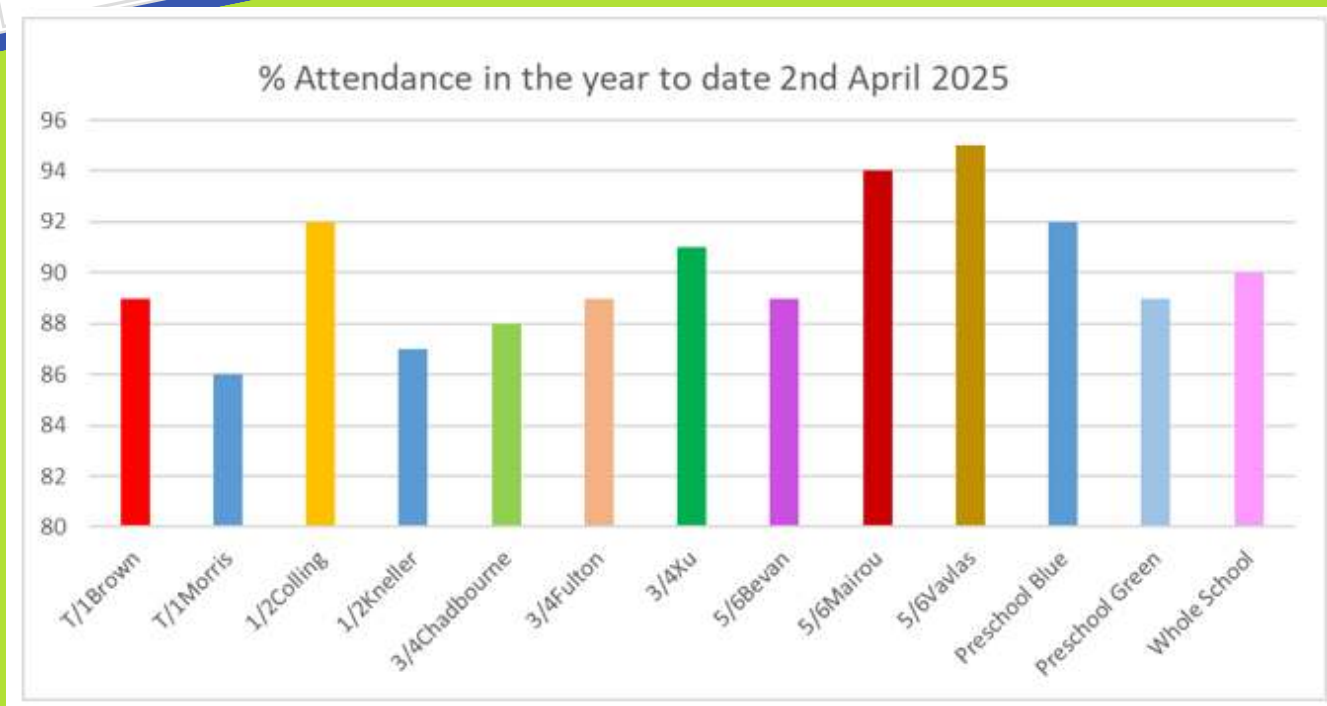
**REMINDER**

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





















We are so excited to see that our whole school attendance is tracking at 90% for the year to date. Well done to Preschool Blue, 1.2 Colling, 3.4 Xu, 5.6 Mairou and 5.6 Vavlas who currently have attendance of 90% or above.



## 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!





# PRESCHOOL EASTER RAFFLE

DRAWN THURSDAY, APRIL 17



Please send donations of Easter eggs, soft toys, Easter art and craft materials or books by Tuesday, April 15.



# WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

## PRESCHOOL BLUE

A visit from the education officers from the Darwin City Council sparked an investigation into our pets and how we take care of them. We discussed and made graphs about the pets we have at home. We read lots of books about pets including No Max!, My Friend Fred and My Cat Likes to Hide in Boxes. We turned our home corner into a vet and have been busy looking after an array of injured animals.





# WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

## EARLY YEARS ART

In the early years art lessons this term, students have been busy mixing colours, drawing designs, exploring textures, and unleashing their creativity. We've created many wonderful pieces, drawing inspiration from artists like Christina Rijneveld, Andy Warhol, and Adam Stanley. Here are just a few pictures showcasing our amazing young artists.





IN CASE YOU  
MISSED IT...

# WHAT EVENTS HAVE WE HAD AT WAGAMAN?

## Harmony Day 2025





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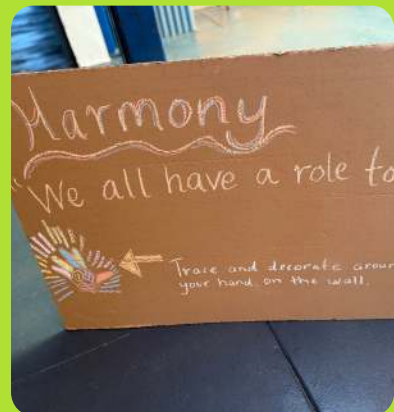




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## After School Sport Marrara Judo Club



## Hockey NT Sport Lessons



IN CASE YOU  
MISSED IT...

# WHAT EVENTS HAVE WE HAD AT WAGAMAN?



Hockey NT  
Sport Lessons



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...**

**\$5,060**





# SCHOOL NOTICES



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primary school presents...

## The Magic Lamp!



Thursday, June 5th

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

**SAVE!**  
**THE DATE!**



## SCHOOL CONCERT

Term 2, Thursday June 5.

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.



## REMINDER



Have your contact details changed?



If YES, please update at the school office.



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## REMINDER



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



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# SCHOOL NOTICES

## IMPORTANT

Secondary education in the Northern Territory is changing, with students at the centre of the conversation.

The focus of school community engagement this term has been in urban areas. Engagement with regional, remote and very remote communities will commence next term.

Share your thoughts on the future of secondary schools in Darwin, Palmerston and Alice Springs as we shift away from middle schools, improve student attendance, literacy, numeracy, and align education with the Territory's industry needs.

Whether you have a child currently attending primary school, middle school, senior school or a non-government school in Darwin, Palmerston or Alice Springs, we want to hear from you!

Your voice matters in creating a brighter future for our students.

The survey is now open and will close 16 April 2025.

**Move away from  
middle schools**



**CLICK HERE**



**HAVE YOUR SAY**





# SCHOOL NOTICES



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**Spriggy  
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**Pay for lunch online!**

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

## After-School Language Classes



**Join us  
Term 2**

**\$180**

PER TERM

**Students welcome from Year 1 - Year 12**

We offer the following after-school language classes:

**Monday:** Greek, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish

**Tuesday:** Auslan, Greek, Indonesian, Italian

**Wednesday:** French, German, Korean, Mandarin, Russian

**Saturday:** Mandarin (10:00am - 12:30pm)

**ENROL  
NOW**

**Mon-Wed - 4:00pm - 6:00pm**

**Sat - 10:00am - 12:30pm**

**Sports Vouchers accepted**

[www.darwinlanguagescentre.nt.edu.au](http://www.darwinlanguagescentre.nt.edu.au)










**Darwin  
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Centre**





## We'll keep the children entertained these Easter Holidays!

### EGG – CITING VACATION CARE ACTIVITIES

<b>Monday</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Easter Arts and Crafts</b> "Getting creative with Easter arts and crafts! 🐰🥰🌟 From colourful eggs to bunny-themed fun, our little artists are bringing the Easter spirit to life! 🌸🥰 #EasterCrafts #CreativeKids #FestiveFun" 	<b>What to bring</b> Lunch Hat Water Bottle Spare clothes
<b>Tuesday</b> 8 <sup>th</sup> April	 <b>Incursion: Indoor Bowling</b> "Strike! 🏏🏆 Indoor bowling fun in full swing—cheers, laughter, and friendly competition all around! Who's ready for a perfect game? 🥰🏏 #IndoorBowling #FunAndGames #StrikeTime"	<b>What to bring</b> Lunch Hat Water Bottle Spare clothes
<b>Wednesday</b> 9 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Master Chef: Easter Cookies</b> "Sweet treats for a hoppy Easter! 🐰🥰 The kids will have an egg-citing time decorating their own Easter cookies with colourful icing, sprinkles, and lots of creativity! From bunnies to eggs, every cookie was a masterpiece (and delicious too! 🥰). A perfect way to celebrate the holiday with fun and flavours! 🌸🌟 #EasterCookies #BakingFun #SweetCreations #HolidayTreats" 	<b>What to bring</b> Lunch Hat Water Bottle Spare clothes
<b>Thursday</b> 10 <sup>th</sup> April	 <b>Pyjama &amp; Movie Day at OSHC</b> "Cozy vibes and big smiles for Pyjama & Movie Day at OSHC! 📺🏠 The kids will have a blast lounging in their comfiest PJs, snuggling up with blankets, and enjoying some classic movies with their friends. Laughter, relaxation, and of course, some tasty snacks made the day extra special! Such a fun way to unwind and create great memories together. 🌙🌟 #PyjamaAndMovieDay #CozyVibes #FunAtOSHC #RelaxAndEnjoy"	<b>What to bring</b> Lunch Hat Water Bottle Spare clothes
<b>Friday</b> 11 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Easter Egg Hunting</b> "Ready, set, hunt! 🐣🌸 The excitement was in the air as the children set off on their Easter Egg Hunt, searching high and low for hidden treasures! 🐰🥰 From colourful eggs to sweet surprises, it's a day filled with joy, laughter, and a little friendly competition. What a fantastic way to celebrate the Easter season! 🌟🥰 #EasterEggHunt #SpringtimeFun #LittleExplorers #JoyfulMoments" 	<b>What to bring</b> Lunch Hat Water Bottle Spare clothes
<b>Monday</b> 14 <sup>th</sup> April	 <b>PUPIL FREE DAY</b> <b>Easter Party Games and Disco</b> "Hop into the Easter spirit with exciting party games and a fun-filled disco! 🎉🐰🎵 From egg-and-spoon races to dancing like a bunny, the kids will have an egg-cellent time celebrating together! 🥰🐣👯 #EasterFun #PartyGames #DiscoVibes" 	<b>What to bring</b> Lunch Hat Water Bottle Spare clothes





# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

**April 2025**

All school holiday activities are FREE and open to everyone.

Families are invited to join the fun!

Be sure to wear comfortable clothing and shoes for outdoor activities, apply the sunscreen provided, and bring a hat. Come along for some fun and to make new friends.

All children must be supervised by a parent/carer at all events.

Library membership is free for all NT residents.

**Scan the QR code to learn more.**



  
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# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM APRIL 2025

### MONDAY 7 APRIL

#### **Fun in the Parks – Make a monster necklace with air drying clay**

5 - 12 years  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Sunset Park

#### **Baby Book Time**

3 - 12 months  
11:00 am - 11:30 am  
Darwin City Library

#### **Board Games Afternoon**

8+ years  
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm  
Karama Library

### TUESDAY 8 APRIL

#### **Rhyme Time**

3 - 24 months  
10:00 am - 10:30 am  
Karama Library

#### **Movie Screening**

All ages  
10:00 am  
Nightcliff Library

#### **Create your own masterpiece using acrylics and posca pens**

5 - 12 years  
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  
Casuarina Library

#### **LEGO Club**

All ages  
10:00 am - 11:00 am  
Darwin City Library

### WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL

#### **Fun in the Parks - Create a worry doll**

5 - 12 years  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Wanguri Park

#### **Baby Book Time**

3 - 12 months  
1:00 pm - 1:30 pm  
Casuarina Library

#### **YTAA Workshop with Sean Guy**

12 - 18 years  
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm  
Casuarina Library  
**Bookings essential**

### THURSDAY 10 APRIL

#### **Rhyme Time**

3 - 24 months  
10:00 am - 10:30 am  
Nightcliff Library

#### **Reptile encounters with Dingo Cockatoo**

5 - 12 years  
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm  
Karama Library

### FRIDAY 11 APRIL

#### **Fun in the Parks - Tai Chi with Confucius Institute**

5 - 12 years  
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Lake Alexander

#### **STEAM Zone**

All ages  
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm  
Casuarina Library

#### **Gaming After Dark**

12 - 17 years  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
Casuarina Library

### SATURDAY 12 APRIL

#### **Family Story Time**

All ages  
10:00 am - 10:30 am  
Casuarina Library

#### **Family Story Time**

All ages  
10:00 am - 10:30 am  
Darwin City Library

Activities are subject to change, please visit [darwin.nt.gov.au/school-holidays](http://darwin.nt.gov.au/school-holidays) for updates.





# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## School Holiday Fun for Kids

**Monday 7th to Saturday 12th April**  
**Chinese Story Club for Kids**  
**10.00am to 12.00pm every day!**

**Tuesday 8th April**  
**Easter Cooking Class**  
**2.30pm to 4.30pm**

**Thursday 10th April**  
**Bread & Pizza Cooking Class**  
**2.30pm to 4.30pm**

**Thursday 10th & Friday 11th April**  
**Pottery Short Course**  
**10.00am to 12.00pm**

Contact us for more details  
m:0452 135 400  
[www.adultshortcourses.com](http://www.adultshortcourses.com)



## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS KIDS POTTERY COURSE

**2 SESSIONS - 10AM TO 12PM**

**Thursday 10th, Friday 11th April**

**This 2 session mini course is a great introduction for kids to hand build with clay. They will learn to create, decorate and paint their very own piece of pottery!**

**Use your NT Sports Vouchers towards the course fee.**



**STRICTLY AGES 10+**

**Course  
Fee  
\$200**

[www.adultshortcourses.com](http://www.adultshortcourses.com)

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# COMMUNITY NOTICES



# PLAY!



**PLAY Season 2025!**

**Starting April 4**



Jellies Program:  
Ages 3-6

<https://hockeynt.asn.au/>

Find a Club!  
Juniors & Seniors

THE ARRAY [ ]

## MINECRAFT CAMP

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

April 7-11, 2025 | 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM  
\$90 p/day or \$400 for the week

Learning Dojo at The Array [ ]  
The Vic Mall, Darwin CBD

**TURN SCREEN TIME INTO SKILL TIME!**



## HOLIDAY CLINICS

**DATE:** 11/4/2025

**TIME:** 12.00pm - 2.00pm

**AGE:** 5-12 years

**COST:** \$49

**WHERE:** Territory Rugby League Stadium



**LEAGUE STARS**







# COMMUNITY NOTICES



## SIGN UP FOR OUR SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM!

**Mon 7 April - U9-U12 Boys (9am-12pm)**

**Tues 8 April - U9-U12 Girls (9am-12pm)**

**Wed 9 April - U13-U16 Boys (9am-12pm)**

**Thu 10 April - U13-U16 Girls (9am-12pm)**

**Fri 11 April - U5-U8 Boys & Girls  
(9am to 11am)**

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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS

**Cost: \$20 per player**

**REGISTRATION STEPS VIA RUGBY XPLOER:**  
**Register > Find a team > Select Player**  
**> Enter Team Name > Follow prompts**

**Email: [topendrdo@nt.rugby](mailto:topendrdo@nt.rugby) for  
further details**

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# COMMUNITY NOTICES



NORTHERN TERRITORY  
SPORTS ACADEMY

## All abilities sport program - Term 2

**Agility and ball skills** on Mondays  
From 28 April to 6 June  
Marrara Netball Stadium  
4:30 to 5:30pm

**Athletics** on Wednesdays  
From 30 April to 20 June  
Arafura Athletics Stadium  
4:30 to 5:30pm

*Note: there are no sessions held on public holidays.*

### Information

E: [ntsa.pathwaysservices@nt.gov.au](mailto:ntsa.pathwaysservices@nt.gov.au)

W: [dp.sc.nt.gov.au](http://dp.sc.nt.gov.au)



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