



Wagaman News

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Coming Events

Fri 24th Sep **Volleyball Gala Day**

Fri 24th Sep **End of term 3**

Mon 11th Oct **Students commence Term 4**



Dear Families

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of Term 3 already. Tomorrow is our final day for the term. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 11th October. This week we sent home our voluntary contributions reminder letter. A huge thank you to those families who have paid their voluntary contributions. This funding enables us to purchase important resources to enhance opportunities for our students.

Our classes have been busy over the last two weeks developing their cultural understandings. They have been developing their understandings about what culture is and learning about the diversity of cultures in our school. Each class is also making a product to sell based on their learning. We will hold a **Wagaman World Market on Thursday 21st October 3 – 5 pm**. Each class will sell their product and have a display of their learning to share with you. We are also hoping to have some performances from some of our community cultural groups. Please mark the date in your calendar. Our school council will also be selling drinks for their fundraising efforts at the market. They would appreciate **donations of bottled water or juice boxes** to sell. If you can help out on the drink stall please just let our administration team know. All donations can be dropped into the front office.

The use of our drop-off zone has continued to improve. Just a reminder that the drop-off zone is a **no-parking area** both in the **morning and afternoon**. We do still have some parents illegally parking in the drop-off zone in the mornings. Please be considerate of other families and refrain from parking in this area. I have had some complaints from parents regarding parking in the **staff car park area**. It is important that parents are careful and ensure they **park within the marked line**. I have received photos of cars parked across the lines, which means that it is difficult for others to get in and out of their vehicles. Our peak parking times are busy but if everyone follows the rules, are mindful of how and where they park and utilise patience, the area is safer for our students and less frustrating for families.

Over the last fortnight, we have had several excursions for our students. Some of our Transition students travelled to the tennis centre to deliver Acknowledgement of Country at a teacher professional learning day. We had a group of students participate in Pink Power AFL day. Our Wagaman Warriors played their final game last Thursday, and our Year 3/4 students have participated in after school tennis sessions. There will be two more of these sessions next term. Today, a small group of Year 3/4 students participated in a Maths enrichment morning with several students from across Darwin schools. Ms Chadbourne facilitated one of a large number of activities, and students learnt a great deal. We also have a group of students participating in the volleyball gala day tomorrow.

This week I have had to speak with some of our Year 5/6 students regarding their use of social media. One of the things I talked to students specifically about was that it is inappropriate to use our school name and branding on social media. Families need to be aware that students under the age of 13 should not have accounts on most social media platforms. If you are aware that your child has these accounts, it is essential to monitor their use. Please see the image below for the age guide regarding social media platforms.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?



2021 NAPLAN results have been released, and our Year 5 students achieved significant gains compared to 2019. These students also achieved greater than expected growth from their Year 3 results. All NAPLAN testing was carried out online. Our Year 3 reading results improved from 2019. Individual student reports are being prepared and checked and will be distributed to families in early Term 4.

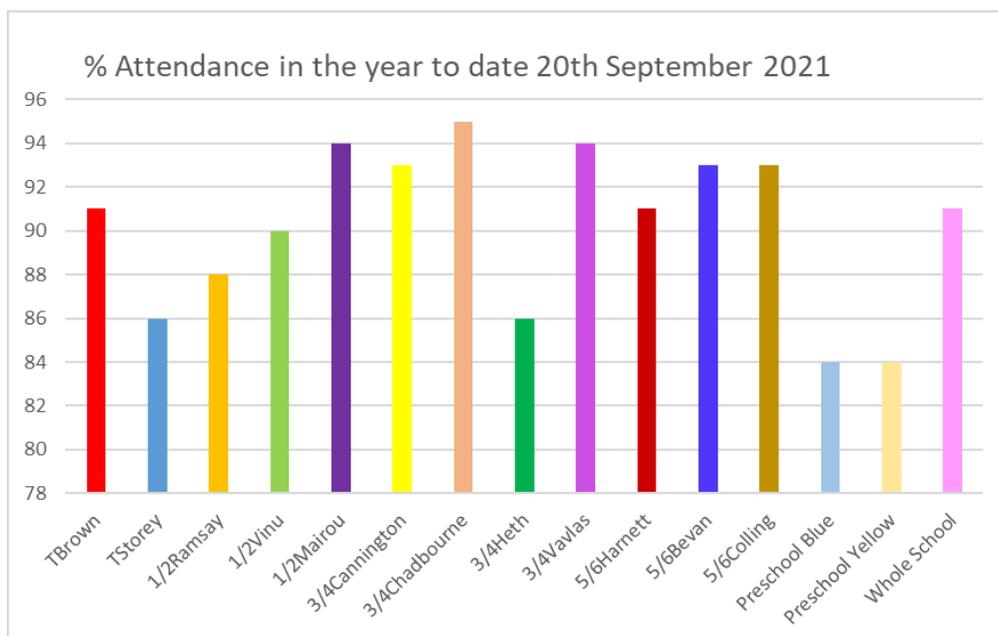
Today the Preschool held their bikeathon. It was a beautiful morning and the students loved riding their bikes. The Blue Group held their bikeathon on Tuesday. Ms Brown's transition class even went and tallied the laps students did. This was part of their learning in Mathematics.



School uniform is compulsory in NT Government Schools. At Wagaman, our uniform consists of our **green and blue shirt and royal blue shorts**. We also have sports shirts that can be worn on Wednesdays. This is outlined very clearly in our parent handbook. Recently, there have been some students wearing **black shorts**. These are **not** part of our **uniform**. All components of the uniform are available for sale from our front office. Royal blue shorts are often also available from places like Big W or Best and Less.

Teachers from the NT Music school visited Wagaman today to provide our Year 3 – 6 students with instrument demonstrations. Teachers explained the instruments available to learn and played them for the students. Students in Yr 4-6 next year will be able to access instrument tuition at school. Those moving on to public middle schools will also be able to access lessons at their school. A flyer will be sent home with more information, or you may also go to the NT Music School website to find out more <https://www.ntms.net.au/>

TBrown	91
TStorey	86
1/2Ramsay	88
1/2Vinu	90
1/2Mairou	94
3/4Cannington	93
3/4Chadbourne	95
3/4Heth	86
3/4Vavlas	94
5/6Harnett	91
5/6Bevan	93
5/6Colling	93
Preschool Blue	84
Preschool Yellow	84
Whole School	91



Our attendance is continuing to track at 91% for the year. It is wonderful to see the large number of classes that have attendance above 90%. Please ensure that you contact the school if your child is away so that we can record the reason for the absence in our attendance system. Department of Education guidelines require that the school receives a medical certificate for students who are absent sick for more than 3 consecutive days at a time.

Today Ms Wong held our annual book quiz with the Year 3/4 students. Nine teams competed and the competition was very close. Congratulations to "The Book Assassins" who were the winning team on the day with 30 points. Tomorrow our Year 5/6 students will compete in their book quiz. A big thank you to Ms Wong and Ms Angie for coordinating this exciting event.



Next term, we welcome Ms Teneale Ah Mat back at Wagaman. Teneale will take Year 5/6 Harnett for Term 4. Ms Harnett will be beginning her parenting leave in week 4 next term. Ms Harnett and Ms Ah Mat have met this week to hand over information and plan for next term. They will both be teaching in Year 5/6 for the first week of next term to help ensure a smooth transition for the students.

Wishing all of our Wagaman students a safe and happy school holiday break. We look forward to seeing everyone back at Wagaman on Monday 11th October.

Warm Regards
Mandy McKinnon

Voluntary School Contribution

Parents are encouraged to make a voluntary contribution to the school each year. These contributions make a difference in our children's education.

A big thank you to those families who have paid voluntary contributions in 2021.

Voluntary contributions are an important income for our school and a key component of our budgetary considerations. They are utilised to provide significant resources that support your child's education and allow us to purchase many little extras that enhance your child's educational opportunities. In the past, voluntary contributions have been utilised to fund the purchase of laptop computers, hands-on mathematics materials, STEM resources, library books, and art resources to name of few things. In 2021, income from voluntary contributions will go towards purchasing iPads for use in each classroom as well as other important resources that support us in enhancing the opportunities we can offer.

We welcome payment of contributions either at the Front Office or through Electronic Funds Transfer using the banking details below. The school also accepts part payments for voluntary contributions. Speak to our front office staff if you need additional information regarding this.

Voluntary Parent Contributions

1 student	\$60.00
2 Children	\$50.00 each
3 children or more	\$40.00 each
Preschool	\$50.00 per term

School contributions are voluntary and payment is a parental decision. All contributions are used to directly benefit students.

Your support and contribution to Wagaman Primary School is greatly appreciated.

Account name: Wagaman School Council

BSB: 035-306

Account: 93-0622

Ref: Child/children's name

Year 1/2 Ramsay

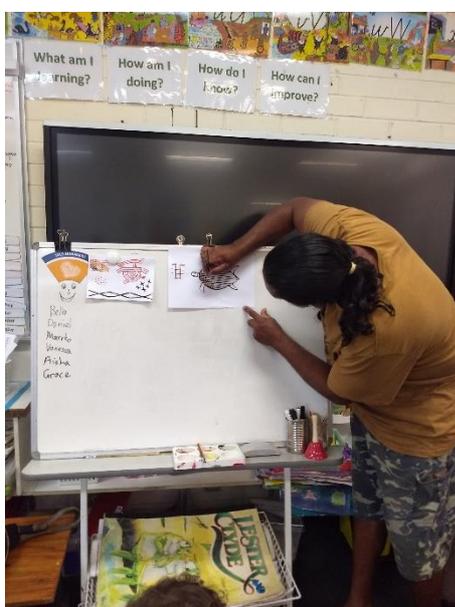
Year 1 and 2 Ramsay were very lucky last week to have a visit from local artist (and Marrko's dad), Elah Yunupingu. Elah shared with the class his knowledge of painting in the traditional style of his people from Arnhem Land. Elah explained the techniques he used as a Yirritja man but also showed examples from the Dhua moiety. Students were able to observe Elah's painting technique then painted their own interpretations.

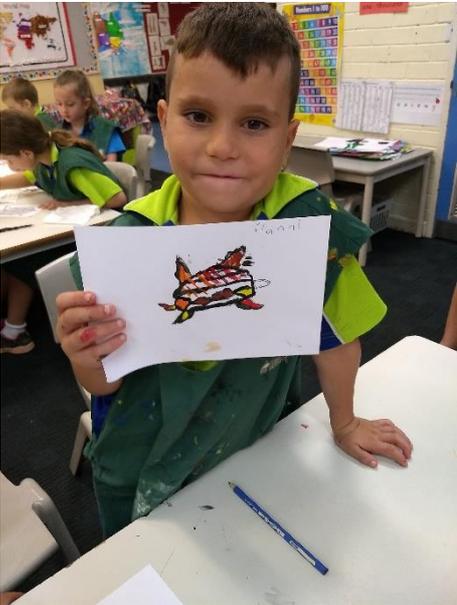
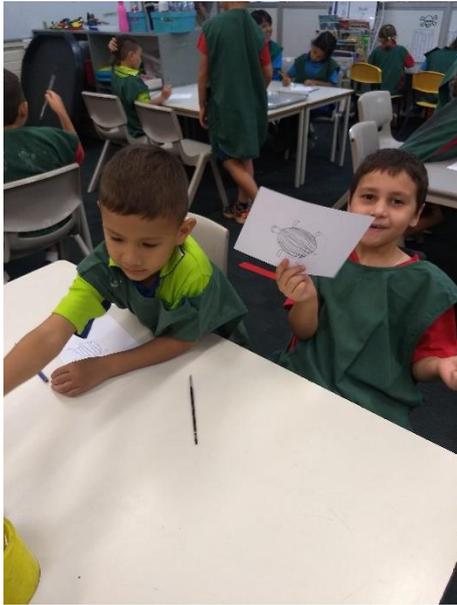
We ended up with a beautiful art work and knowledge about culture and connections. Students will be applying their new painting skills in some future activities.

A big thanks to Elah for giving us his time and sharing his knowledge.

Lois Ramsay

Year 1/2 Teacher







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School Holiday football Program

27 Sept. to 8 Oct. **Weekdays 8.30am to 11.30am**

Darwin Football Stadium

HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS & LEARN NEW SKILLS IN A SAFE AND INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT

\$175 **Ages 5-11 years**

For more information admin@footballnt.com.au

Register now: <http://bit.ly/FNTSHCSep>

MINI ROOS Miniroos Jumping Joeys

For boys and girls aged 3-5 years

1 session - \$15
9 sessions - \$100

Darwin Football Stadium

8.30 - 9.30am every Saturday from October 2 - November 27

For more information: paula.dacosta@footballnt.com.au To register: <https://bit.ly/FNTJumpingJoeys>

HOLIDAY CLINICS

DATE: 27/9/2021
TIME: 9.30am - 12.30pm
AGE: 5-12 years
COST: \$49
WHERE: TRL Stadium, Marrara NT 0812

LEAGUE STARS

Camp Australia OSHC 1300 105 343

We partner with @Camp Australia to deliver tailored before and after school experiences in your OSHC. When it is school holiday time, Rocketeers blasts off with extraordinary holiday adventures. Register to book:

<https://pp.campastralia.com.au/account/register-contacts>

Your OSHC.

Tailored before and after school experiences that children love.

ROCKETEERS

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School Holiday Tennis Clinic



Darwin
International
Tennis Centre



Monday to Thursday

Clinic 1: Sep 27 to Sep 30 (4 days)

Clinic 2: Oct 4 to Oct 7 (4 days)

Session 8.30am - 11.30am (suitable for age 7+)

\$50 per day \$140 per clinic

Ages: Players must be aged 7 or older.

Give your game a head start!

Contact reception to enrol

Phone 08 8945 9000 Email info@ditcmarrara.com.au

FREE FUN

WATER SAFETY WEEK 2021

Visit FREE events and activities held around the Territory
Calendar for Darwin, Palmerston, Katherine & Top End

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME
SUNDAY 19 th	SPLASHFEST	Darwin Waterfront	9am - 12pm
MONDAY 20 th	Story Reading	Casuarina Public Library	10am - 11am
TUESDAY 21 st	Story Reading	Nightcliff Public Library	10am - 11am
		Palmerston Library	10am - 11am
WEDNESDAY 22 nd	Story Reading	Darwin City Library	10am - 11am
		Katherine Public Library	10:30am - 11:15am
	Pool Lifesaving Carnival	Katherine Aquatic Centre	2:30pm - 4pm
		Parap Swimming Pool	5pm - 7pm
THURSDAY 23 rd	Story Reading	Karama Public Library	10am - 11am
FRIDAY 24 th	Water Safety Fun with Boof	Leanyer Recreation Park	3:00pm - 4:00pm
SATURDAY 25 th	AQUAFEST	Palmerston Swimming Pool	10am - 1pm

Safety rules are your best tools!

The Water Safety Unit

P: 08 8981 5036 www.royallifesaving.com.au/nt

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CITY OF DARWIN
fun in the parks!
SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
27 SEPTEMBER - 8 OCTOBER 2021

Mondays @ 4pm-6 pm
(5-12 years only)

27 SEPTEMBER: LAKE ALEXANDER
Bug Investigation + other activities

4 OCTOBER: WANGURI PARK
Salt Art + other activities

29 SEPTEMBER: SUNSET PARK
Dunk Tank + other activities

6 OCTOBER: LAKE ALEXANDER
Laser Tag with Zone 3 + other activities

Wednesdays @ 2pm-4 pm
(8-12 years only)

1 OCTOBER: YANYULA PARK
Mini Catapult Making + other activities

8 OCTOBER: MOIL PARK
Quilling + other activities

Fridays @ 10am-12pm
(5-12 years only)

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Mini Catapult Making + other activities

8 OCTOBER: MOIL PARK
Quilling + other activities

funbus
9.30am-11.30am
(0-5 years only)

MONDAY - BAGOT COMMUNITY
TUESDAY - WANGURI PARK
WEDNESDAY - SUNSET PARK
THURSDAY - YANYULA PARK
FRIDAY - BICENTENNIAL PARK



CITY OF DARWIN
LIBRARIES
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SPECIAL STORY TIMES
Join in special Story Times with Robots and for Star Wars Reads Day



MOVIES
Enjoy movies on the big screen at the Libraries



NIMEYBIRRA ART WORKSHOP
Join Denise Quall, local artist and Elder Tibby Quall of the Danggalaba clan (Larrakia) for a cultural painting workshop.

SCALES AND TAILS
Join us & the team from la-D-da Kids to make some hidden treasure for a dragon to hide, or a Mermaid's treasure box.



LEGO
Kids can hone their building skills with fun activities or just create their own masterpieces



SCAVENGER HUNT
27 September - 10 October
Win great prizes.

AND MUCH MORE



CITY OF DARWIN LIBRARIES



Sat 25

10am - Family Story Time
All ages

10am - Family Story Time
All ages

10am - Movie: Peter Rabbit 2 All ages



Mon 27

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

11am - Baby Book Time
Ages 3-12 months

2.30pm - Scales & Tails
Ages 5-12

3.30pm - Board Games Afternoon
Ages 11-16

4pm - Fun in the Parks
Ages 5-12

Tue 28

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

10am - Rhyme Time
Ages 3-24 months

10am - Movie: Luca
All ages

2.30pm - Nimeybirra Art Workshop
Ages 5-12

Wed 29

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

1pm - Baby Book Time
Ages 3-12 months

2pm - Fun in the Parks
Ages 8-12

3.30pm - STEAM Zone
All ages

Thurs 30

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

10am - Rhyme Time
Ages 3-24 months

2pm - Movie: Tom & Jerry the Movie
All ages

Fri 1

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

10am - Fun in the Parks
Ages 5-12

3.30pm - LEGO Club
Ages 5-12

3.30pm - STEAM Zone
All ages

Sat 2

10am - ROBOTS Family Story Time
All ages

10am - Family Story Time
All ages

10am - Movie: Spirit Untamed
All ages

Mon 4

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

11am - Baby Book Time
Ages 3-12 months

3.30pm - Board Games Afternoon
Ages 11-16

4pm - Fun in the Parks
Ages 5-12

Tue 5

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

10am - Rhyme Time
Ages 3-24 months

10am - Movie: Moon Bound
All ages

2.30pm - Nimeybirra Art Workshop
Ages 5-12

Wed 6

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

1pm - Baby Book Time
Ages 3-12 months

2pm - Fun in the Parks
Ages 8-12

2.30pm - Scales & Tails
Ages 5-12

3.30pm - STEAM Zone
All ages

Thurs 7

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

10am - Rhyme Time
Ages 3-24 months

2pm - Movie: Cruella
All ages



Fri 8

9.30am - Fun Bus
Ages 0-5

10am - Fun in the Parks
Ages 5-12

3.30pm - LEGO Club
All ages

3.30pm - STEAM Zone
All ages

Sat 9

10am - Family Story Time
All ages

10am - STAR WARS Family Story Time
All ages

9.30-11.30am - STAR WARS Reads Day
All ages

LOCATION KEY

NIGHTCLIFF LIBRARY

CASUARINA LIBRARY

KARAMA LIBRARY

DARWIN CITY LIBRARY

FUN IN THE PARKS

FUN BUS

Fun in the Parks is a school holiday program that is full of fun activities. All families are welcome to come along and have some fun. Remember to slip on some shoes and cool clothing for outdoor fun, slop on some sunscreen (provided) and slap on a hat and come along to have some fun and meet new friends. Please note the change of times and age groups.



Library Activities Information

Holiday activities are **FREE**. Children 10 years and under must be accompanied by an adult at all events. School holiday activities are open to members and non-members. Library membership is free to all NT residents. Spaces for events are limited. Tickets will be available for each event 30 minutes prior to the start. Care provider bookings not available.

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COME PLAY
WITH US!

Enrol now for 2022
PRESCHOOL



2022 Intentions

Please contact the office or return the slip below if you are moving out of the school. Classes for the coming year are planned in the final weeks of term 4.

If you wish us to give consideration to special requests for your child's future class placement. Please email or phone the Principal.

Please cut off and return to school

Wagaman Primary 2022

If your **child** is **NOT returning** to Wagaman Primary in 2022

Please return this note to the Front Office.

Family name: _____

School they will be attending: _____