



# SCHOOL WANGGA

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## Principals Message

The cooler weather is welcomed with this term and that also means that Onslow wakens up with number of events. The 100 Year celebrations was a great community event that shared the history of Onslow at its current location. This provided some insight into the Onslow School logo.

The engagement that occurred last term with staff, students, parents, stakeholders and community has provided great guidance on the creation of school values and motto with ideas on how to refresh the school logo. Thank you to everyone who took the opportunity to share their thoughts.

This week is busy with visitors and professional learning for staff.

- Following staff completing online instructional modules they are experiencing class observation and feedback during these two days.
- TSH is also visiting with an offer of fine motor skills training for staff after school
- Gavin Brown, from School of Special Education Needs: Behaviour and Engagement is presenting some workshops to staff and assisting Ms Anna Hayden, our PBS Team Leader with the work that she does
- Ms Kelly Mauger, Mr David Spanner and Mr Zac Rumsey are attending Berry Street training towards the end of the week. This is the origin of the Morning Circle and a way of creating a calm and supportive space for students.

*Lisa Campbell*

At Onslow School we acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of the lands and waters on which our students live and are educated. We acknowledge and understand that Elders, parents, families, and communities are the first educators of their children, and we recognise and value the cultures and strengths that our First Nations people bring to the classroom.

## Onslow School 100 Nights of Reading

Our 100 Nights of Reading has commenced. Your child will have brought home a sheet like the one shown and for every night that you read together, or you read to your child please tick off a 'book'.



Once your child reads for 20, 50 and 75 nights they receive a small incentive to encourage them to keep going. Once they achieve the 100 night goal a book and certificate acknowledge their effort.

Reading is a way of travelling to different parts of the world, encouraging imagination and for some, a way to relax.

## Chevron Australia

Chevron Australia kindly supports Onslow School through the Onslow Education Collaboration (OEC). This partnership enables our school to provide additional staffing aimed at targeting student support for learning and wellbeing, and post school readiness.

The OEC enables Onslow School to access a range of other organisation supported by Chevron Australia including zero2hero, Australian Earth Science Education and CSIRO Living STEM. Each of these outreach services enhance learning opportunities in both wellbeing and Science Education.

Further connections between Onslow School and community organisations are made possible by Chevron Australia's support within the community. Swans Onslow, the Shire of Ashburton and OCCI are valued contributors to the school's programs and initiatives. Notably, two youth representatives have recently joined the Reconciliation and NAIDOC Working Group so help inform the activities which will be delivered to the community.

Chevron Australia's partnership with Teach, Speak, Hear (formerly Telethons Speech and Hearing) provides support for student from Kindy to Year 3. This includes on the ground support and weekly speech and / or occupational therapy sessions, which a unique service for Onslow School.

Chevron Australia and the Wheatstone Project continues to partner with organisations to deliver outcomes and opportunities in Onslow to support a thriving community. As a school community, we recognise the benefits of our partnership with Chevron Australia and look forward to continued collaboration in shaping and delivering optimised student outcomes.



*Mr David Spanner (Engagement and Pathways teacher),*

*Mrs Jamilah Sibosado and Mrs Emma Wood (TSH EA support),*

*Mrs Tracee Drummond (Learning Support Coordinator)*

## Excellence in Teaching and Learning

### Northwest Shelf Flatback Turtle Conservation Program



From the origins of a Bushranger Cadet program to a Year 7/8 Turtle Camp to a whole school education package about turtle conversation. This work has been made possible through the partnership with Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) and more specifically with **Clodagh Guildea** in her role and the Project Officer – Science Communication and Education.

Working with our Science Specialists **Miss Shanae Tuxford** and **Miss Mercedes Ralph**, students engaged in highly interactive learning experiences last week

ranging from learning about adaptations of turtles to drink salt water to dichotomous keys.

We feel very honoured to have this specialised focus for students at Onslow School and look forward to making this a long term, sustainable learning program that brings a greater sense of 'caring for country'.



## School Council Update



The School Council meeting is planned for Tuesday 3 June. As part of the commitment to be the voice of the parents and community they invite questions to raise any points needing clarification or concerns.

Please use this QR code to submit your question by Thursday 29 May.

Thank you to **James Britton and Scott Stenson** for their interest in being the Parent Representative on the School Council. With voting closed there is the need to have screening processes completed before we announce to the community.

## Parent – Teacher Meetings

Parent – Teacher meetings will be taking place on **Tuesday 10 June** from 12.30 – 4.30pm. The school will have a ½ closure to help with this important part of our communication with parents.

These meetings help to know your child's academic progress and are planned prior to Reports being issues to help understand the Semester 1 Report.

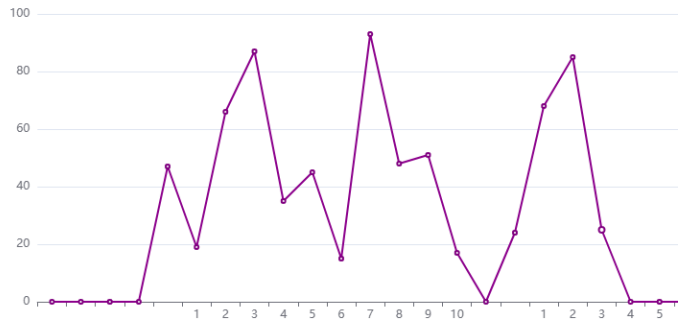
We are exploring the use of an electronic booking system to help families with multiple children as all meetings will need to be scheduled on this day.



### Connect – Semester 1 Reports

It is great to see the level of use of Connect since the beginning of the year.

Currently the focus of the use of Connect is notification to parents using three key categories – information, event, and action required and informing the school of your child’s absence.



We will continue to expand the library with resources and once folder will be newsletters. At the end of this term your child’s **Semester 1 Report** will be posted through Connect. You can find more information Library Understanding Connect: Step-by-Step Guide.

### Celebrating Mother’s Day



**Dates To Remember**

- 19 & 20 May – TSH Earbus Visit
- 27 May – Reconciliation Walk
- 28 May – Room 6 Assembly and Open Classroom
- 2 June – WA Day Public Holiday
- 3 June – School Council Meeting
- 9 June – P&C Meeting
- 10 June – Parent Meetings and Early Close
- 24 June – Year 6 Camp