

Irira Wangga Language Programme



We are here for people who want to know more about the languages and culture of the Yamaji (or Mid West) region of Western Australia. We also hope to inspire and assist those who wish to ensure that all the different cultures be learned by the mayu (kids).

How to get involved with language

- **Free language training**

If there is anyone out there who would like to learn how to record and write down the language of their Elders, give us call and we'll help you do it!

- **Learn a language**

Wajarri Language Classes are held every Saturday morning from 10-11am - during the school terms (Gold coin donation). Please contact Irira Wangga for details. If you want to learn another language of the region, let us know and we'll do our best to help.

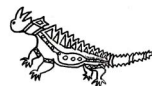
- **Language & culture workshops**

With our language specialists, we provide a class on languages of the region, story-telling and cultural protocols.

Irira Wangga Language Programme

Irira Wangga was established in 2005 and is funded by the Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts. The programme aims to retrieve, preserve, maintain and promote the Indigenous languages of the Midwest region of Western Australia.

This is done by:



- Working with language specialists, workers collecting languages and cultural information.
- Giving public language classes and working with schools and to help teach language to young children.
- Assisting the WA Department of Education in the training of Indigenous Language teachers.
- Promoting Aboriginal culture and languages through a range of publications, community partnerships and the media.
- Multi-media publishing of cultural and language materials.
- Provision of training and employment opportunities for Aboriginal people.
- Being a community resource for language and cultural information.
- Working with language speaker communities on revitalising their culture.

Irira Wangga price list:

This is a selection of resources that are made with our communities. Please contact us for a list of the full range of language resources we offer.



Yalibirri Luujumayinha - The Lost Emu

By Ross Boddington
\$35



The Wajarri Alphabet Pack
(DVD, book, poster, flashcards, games)

By Yulga Jinna Community
\$55



Munungga/Night Animals

By Boddington, Dann & EDWA
\$30



Yamaji Language Centre products



Malgana Wangganyina \$25



Wajarri Wangga \$20



Nhanda Wangganhaa \$15

Languages of Mid West

Among the languages and dialects of the Geraldton, Mid West Region are Wajarri, Nhandu, Yinggarda, Badimaya, Malgana, Warriyanga, Ngarla, Wilunyu, Thawurda, Tharrgari and Buyungu. Some of these languages are taught in school as either a TEE accredited course (Wajarri) or as a LOTE subject (Malgana and Wajarri). The majority, however, remain in the hearts and memories of many of our Elders and communities.

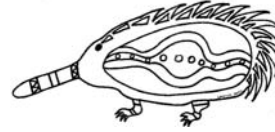


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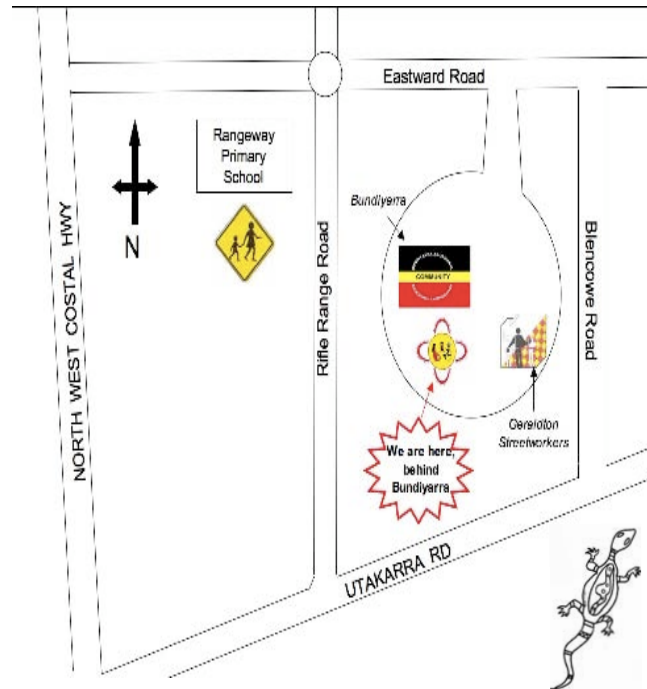
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Please feel free to drop in for a chat.
Guwardi nhangaya!
(Wajarri)



IRRA WANGGA LANGUAGE PROGRAMME
COMING TOGETHER FOR LANGUAGE

nyinda barndi?
(Wajarri)

nhurra pagalya?
(Warriyanga)

nhurra buranymarda?
(Badimaya)



nhurra ngugurnu?
(Malgana)

nyini ku'arlu?
(nhandu)

WANGGA NYINDANGU IRRA
TALK YOUR LANGUAGE