Minister for Parks and Wildlife Bess Price has officially launched the Be Crocwise CD today as part of the Be Crocwise campaign.

Ludmilla Primary School was the winner of the Be Crocwise school-based song recording competition with their unique message about being safe around Top End waterways.

“Congratulations to everyone involved in writing and producing the songs on the Be Crocwise CD,” Mrs Price said.

“The process of the song competition is exciting and engaging and gives kids ownership of key crocodile safety messages.

“The winning song is fun and catchy and a great way to spread the Be Crocwise message.

“The CDs will be distributed to all schools across the Top End with each school determining the best way to use the CD to promote the Be Crocwise message to students.

“The wet season is well and truly upon the Top End of the Northern Territory, and with the extra rain comes the increased risk of crocodiles on the move.

“Crocodiles can move about, and you must always assume that any body of water in the Top End and coastal areas could contain a crocodile.

“There is no room for complacency when it comes to crocodiles in our waterways.

“These songs are a fun yet serious reminder of the dangers that can lurk below the surface of any waterhole in the Top End.”

Twelve schools from across the Territory submitted their original songs into the competition last year with Ludmilla Primary School being announced as the winner, and Nakara Primary and Pularumpi School coming second and third respectively.

The competition represents a way for schools to explore how crocodile safety can be promoted in their own communities using the powerful medium of music.

The Be Crocwise campaign has a dedicated website – www.nt.gov.au/becrocwise

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