



Wagaman News

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Dear Parents

Tomorrow our older students (9-12 years) will be competing in the upcoming Northern Suburbs Regional Athletics Competition. A team of 41 athletes have been selected to represent Wagaman at the competition on Friday 31 July at Arafura Stadium. We are hosting the BBQ at the stadium during the day and would welcome any assistance. So come on across to the Abala Rd venue and watch your child compete and volunteer to cook a couple of sausages whilst there! I am sure our Wagaman students will do us proud and demonstrate good sportsmanship on and off the field. Best of luck to all competitors!

The circus has returned to Wagaman. Corrugated Iron Youth Arts has again partnered with Wagaman Primary and is supporting our children's creative endeavors with circus workshops every Monday for Term 3 and 4. All children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be participating. Already the students are displaying great coordination and concentration, while having a lot of fun. I have included an extract from a 2004 experiment by researchers at University of Regensburg in Germany on juggling and the brain.

It turns out juggling is a workout for your brain, too. Juggling improves hand-eye coordination, reflexes, peripheral vision and a host of other motor skills [source: Rosenberger]. Recent research has even demonstrated that juggling can affect the size of your brain. Several studies have shown a correlation between juggling and changes in the brain's grey matter, the cell bodies responsible for computation and processing within the brain, and white matter, the nerve fibers that connect different parts of the brain by way of electrical impulses.

Cricket Skills Program at Wagaman Primary

For the next four Fridays, NT Cricket will be running the MILO in2CRICKET Skills program at Wagaman. All students from Transition to Year 4 will be participating. These clinics will help our students develop greater cricket skills and deeper understanding of the game. Ben Hodgart the game development officer will be coordinating the clinics here at Wagaman.

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Coming Events

31 July	Whole School Assembly 5/6 Fulton
31 July	Zone Athletics Carnival
3 August	Picnic Day Public Holiday

3/4 Mairou Enjoying Indonesian Studies



Pak Ravi has joined Wagaman Primary school as our new teacher of Indonesian language and culture. He will be here every Thursday's working across all years. Engaging with Asia is a primary focus of our school and we value all opportunities to grow in our language skills and understanding of our Asian neighbours.

Sports Vouchers

This week your household would have received the \$100 voucher to use to aid children to access after school activities in sporting or cultural areas. The NT Government realises that many families wish to participate in club events outside of school hours. The voucher is a way to help meet costs of these activities. For more information visit www.sportsvoucher.nt.gov.au or phone 1800 817 860.



Making a Difference



Zone Athletics Track & Field Carnival

We have 41 students attending the Zone Track & Field Carnival tomorrow at Marrara Athletics stadium. All students are to arrive at school by 8.10am. Students competing in the 800m event **MUST** be on the first bus. Please remember to wear a Wagaman green shirt or your senior shirt (Yr 6).

Students will need to bring their hats, water bottles, packed recess and lunch or bring lunch money for the BBQ.

Wagaman primary are running a BBQ at the event with

Sausage sizzle	\$2.50
(with cheese onion)	\$3.00
Chicken satay	\$2.50
Poppers	\$2.00



Good luck Wagaman!

Classroom Canberra



Only 23 more sleeps! Permission notes were sent home this week. Please complete the permission notes, medical information and media release form and return to school as soon as possible. Students have received a list outlining everything they need to bring. Please **LABEL** everything before packing it. All the information regarding *Classroom Canberra* has been loaded on *Skoolbag* so if you have misplaced anything you can easily find it there. We suggest downloading the *Skoolbag* app onto your mobile phone as we will continue to update it while we are in Canberra so we can keep you informed.

Wellbeing Officer's Tip of the Week

FREE Course for Parent

CatholicCare NT is offering a short course to give parents of children aged between 0-12 years simple tips to help manage the big and small problems of family life like; toddler tantrums, self-esteem issues, bedtime battles and aggression. The power of positive parenting (Triple P) can help you deal with them all – and more!

When: Each Thursday starting 6 August – 27 August

Time: 1pm – 3pm

Where: Casuarina Library

RSVP before Tuesday 4 August

Call Catholic Care NT Ph: 89442000 or email

Darwin@catholicarent.org.au



Every Child, Every Day - improving student enrolment, attendance and participation is everybody's responsibility and everyone's business.

Wagaman Warriors

Next week is the start of our AFL Primary school Competition now called the Cyril Rioli Cup. All games will be played afterschool on a Wednesday. Many of our students have been waiting to hear this good news and will be excited once again to be joining other schools in this friendly competition. More information will be sent home next week.

The BEAT Festival



All BEAT choir students need to pay for their BEAT shirt. If you have not paid \$60.00 in full. \$15 Book/CD, \$15.00 Choir shirt. Please make that payment ASAP.

Woolworths 'Earn & Learn' Program

Wagaman Primary School is once again participating in the Woolworth's 'Earn & Learn' program. Your support in 2013 enabled us to purchase Maths and sports equipment for the school. Collect your stickers when you shop at Woolworths and place them in the box which will be situated in the front office. Thank you for supporting our school!

Reminders



- All students need a hat and water bottle each day.
- Students in Early childhood and Middle primary require library bags to borrow books from the library