



# Wagaman News

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Dear Parents

In our last newsletter I wrote about our Wagaman Primary students that were representing the school at the Regional **Athletics** Carnival. As you may have heard it was a highly successful day for Wagaman Primary School. The children were great ambassadors for our school, demonstrating the 'Wagaman Way' and showing good sportsmanship at all times. Their skill and talent on the field was outstanding and as a result Wagaman Primary received the Primary School Sport, Pool B Perpetual Shield and also the Handicap Shield. Congratulations and well done to all involved. The following students will now go on to represent the school at the **Combined Track & Field NT Championships:** -

Shaneiya Austral	High jump & Long jump
Klubo Ballah	Shot put & Discus
Quianna Ramos	200m

Wagaman Primary also ran the BBQ for the Regional Athletics Carnival which provided a great fundraising opportunity for the school. \$1205.32 was raised and we would like to thank Minister Styles office for the kind donation of sausages.

Our parent, staff and student surveys are now open for two weeks and I would encourage all parents to log on and complete the survey. Come along to Friday Friends to hear more about the survey and how your feedback helps to determine the future planning in the school. If it is difficult for any parent to access a computer, hard copies of the survey can be picked up from the front office and our library will be open from 7.45 – 8.15 each morning next week for parents to access our computers.

In partnership with CatholicCare the 'Free to Be' self-esteem program has started for our Year 5/6 classes. Our wellbeing officer Jasmin Booth and Em Crooks are delivering this program together with our 5/6 teachers. An information evening for parents to find out more about the program and meet the facilitators will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August at 5.00 pm in the Library. An invitation to all 5/6 parents will be sent home next week.

Carol Putica

## Coming Events

14 August	Whole School Assembly 3/4 McLean
14 August	Friday Friends
19 August	'Free to Be' Information Evening
21 August	E/C Assembly Transition Maglasang
11 September	Student Free Day Staff Professional Learning

## Civics and Governance in 3/4 Agudo



Tania Sellar from the City of Darwin Council



Team planning session

In Civics and Governance, 3/4 Agudo is learning about the three tiers of Government; Federal, State/Territory and local government. This Tuesday of week 4, Tania Sellers a Representative from Darwin City Council came to show a Power Point Presentation on the roles and responsibilities of the council. 3/4 Agudo was given the opportunity to ask questions and discuss issues or concerns about what they wanted to have in their community area.

Nerissa Agudo

## Well Being Officer's Tip of the Week

If I was to hold up a glass of water and ask you to guess how heavy it is, what would you say?



The answer is that the weight of the glass does not matter. What matters is how long it is held for. Hold it for a minute and it will not make much of a difference. Hold it for a bit longer and your arm will start to ache. Hold it for a long period of time and you will feel a lot of pain and may even drop the glass.

This is how stress and anxiety works.

If you are only stressed or anxious for a small amount of time it doesn't make too much difference. Hold it for a little bit longer and we start to ache. Hold it for a long time and it consumes our daily life and causes great distress and pain.

If you or someone you know is experiencing pain like this, ask for help. Don't hold the glass forever, it will only become heavier and more painful.

Jasmin Booth  
Children and Family Counselor



Our Wagaman Primary School Choir have been putting in a fantastic effort, attending weekly practices at school & the students are sounding great.

We will be joining over 200 students from the NT at the Darwin Entertainment Centre for the NT Schools Annual Performing Arts showcase. Please come and support us on **Wednesday 9th September** and be AMAZED!

Show Tickets are available at the Darwin Entertainment Centre (08) 8980 3333 or [www.darwinentertainment.com.au](http://www.darwinentertainment.com.au)

Please buy and collect your tickets early as they do sell out. You don't need to purchase a ticket for your child if they are performing

## Are you getting the Newsletter each fortnight?

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Contact the front office or send an email to [wagaman.school@ntschoools.net](mailto:wagaman.school@ntschoools.net)



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## Dripstone Middle School



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### PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

for prospective Year 7 students in 2016

WEDNESDAY 19TH AUGUST 2015

6.00 PM in the Library

This will be preceded by a student Showcase from 4pm - 6pm

For enrolment enquiries telephone 89837777

Email: [dripstone.middle@ntschoools.net](mailto:dripstone.middle@ntschoools.net)

or view our

Website: <http://www.dripstonemiddle.nt.edu.au/>

## Friday Morning Friend School Survey



You are invited to take part in our online Parent Survey. The information gained from this survey will help us address areas of concern, and make recommendations to improve our school. Ms Putica will be on hand to explain the survey and a support person will assist with the care of younger children. This will be followed by a casual Morning Tea (food & refreshments provided).

When: Friday 14th August

Time: 9am - 10am

Where: School Library

For those of you who are unable to come along please consider doing the online survey from home. The survey is only open for two weeks.

<https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/q5tAdRuL>

## Cash for Cans

Cash for containers was a huge success in 2014 and will continue to run at Wagaman Primary. Funds raised go directly into resources for our students! All containers with any 10c symbol on them are eligible. So keep bringing them in! Thank you for your support.



## Earn and Learn stickers from Woolworths

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



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