



Wagaman News

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Dear Parents

All children are looking forward to the one week holiday and a chance to pursue more leisure activities. It has been a busy and productive term with each week offering new and exciting learning opportunities for the children.

Thank you to all parents and families that attended one or more events for our Book Week, Numeracy and Literacy Week events. There was high excitement evident throughout the school as each day showcased an area of student learning through books, literacy and numeracy.

Our Numeracy Morning where families had the opportunity to take part in a numeracy lesson was well attended. The children enjoyed the opportunity to be the teacher and demonstrate to their families an interactive or hands on maths lesson. Our Middle and Upper Primary students impressed all teachers with their deep knowledge of books; fiction and nonfiction in our two book quiz events. While there was fierce competition between teams all teams upheld the Wagaman Way by demonstrating good sportsmanship and congratulating all on a great effort! The winning teams will be able to enjoy some holiday reading with their book vouchers.

Bedtime stories in the library was another great success with children and families enjoying having their favourite stories read aloud and to one another. All children looked very comfortable and relaxed in their pyjamas as did the teachers. The lanterns that the children made with Ms Rains our Arts Specialist to celebrate the Book Week theme, 'Books Light Up Our World', were on display and lit up our night beautifully.

Our week culminated in our Book Character Disco which was a fun way to end our week. The costumes were innovative and reflective of the wide reading tastes of our students.

Thank you to the Literacy and Numeracy Week Team that organised the week's events and also to our SRC for organising the disco.

When we return from holidays we will be celebrating Mental Health Week. This is a national event and it's an opportunity to promote awareness about mental health and wellbeing, and equip people with the right information.

As a KidsMatter school we have a strong focus on

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Coming Events

25 September	Last day term 3
05 October	Students resume school Term 4

Numeracy & Literacy Celebrations at Wagaman



'Wellbeing' and assisting our students to be resilient and emotionally aware. We will join schools and workplaces around the Australia by celebrating, 'Odd Socks Day..... because anyone can have an odd day'. Our Odd Socks Day will be on Thursday the 8th of October.

Carol Putica
Acting Principal



Making a Difference



Tournament of Minds Team



On Saturday 5th September the Wagaman Tournament of Minds team participated in the Northern Territory Regional Finals at CDU. The team was made up of Anna Menouhos, Tiani Lias, Jamie Jones, Pristine Bista, Bridget Jackson, Amber Tole and Keying Lin who all put in an excellent presentation of their challenge solution. The team received very positive feedback from the judges on their, creativity, knowledge of history, performance skills and teamwork. I was particularly proud of their commitment and dedication to task amongst so many other demands on their time. A huge thanks to the parents and school staff for their support of this program!

Helen Bevan

Brush Well - Oral Health Services



Brush teeth twice daily with a soft small headed toothbrush and a pea sized amount of fluoride toothpaste.

Assist your child with tooth brushing until they are eight years old.

'We need to brush the tops where we chew, the sides where we smile and the insides of our teeth'.

For more information and appointments please contact Darwin Dental Clinic on 08 89226466 or Alice Springs 08 89 516713.

Term 4 Dates

Holiday break

Monday 28 September – Friday 2 October

Semester 2 term 4

Monday 5 October – Thursday 10 December



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

Wellbeing Officer ~ Mental Health Week

Mental Health Week aims to raise community awareness about mental health issues! From the 4th to the 11th of October 2015, Darwin will be holding events throughout the week to create more awareness and educate the community and you can attend. See the below link for more details

http://health.nt.gov.au/Mental_Health/Mental_Health_Week/Events_Calendar/index.aspx

Poetry ~ 2/3 Ramsay

Frogs Frogs Frogs

Ugly frogs

Cute frogs

Funny, little, marble frogs

Cool, green tree frogs

Those are just a few.



Big frogs

Small frogs

Tiny, rock hole frogs

Big, bad, bull frogs

Fat frogs too.



Glass frogs

Green frogs

Don't forget huge frogs

Last of all, best of all,

I like freddo frogs.

By Xavier Murphy

THE ROCKIN' ROLLER DISCO
SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2015

Join us for a night of big hair bands and glam rock in support of NT's co-ed roller derby team, The Terror Taurens.

WHERE: Mararra Indoor Stadium, Abala Rd, Mararra from 6-8pm
COST: Adults \$10, Kids (under 15y) \$5

Drinks and snacks available for purchase - Beginners skating area - Games and prizes!

DRG For more info: www.darwinrollergirls.com.au