



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Climate Experts Visit Territory Schools**

Climate change will be the subject of much fun and interest when some of the world's top scientists visit Territory schools this week.

The scientists have been in the Top End since January as part of the Tropical Warm Pool International Cloud Experiment, which has given scientists an insight into the inner workings of cloud systems and the world's climate system.

The classroom visits come a week before an exciting new kiosk about climate studies, developed by the US Department of Energy's Atmospheric Radiation Measurement (ARM) Program, is launched at the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT in Darwin on February 16.

MAGNT education manager Kate Smith said the classroom visits and kiosk launch were well timed to roll on from the climate study.

"The school visits will be packed full of fun presentations, experiments, demonstrations and lots more," Ms Smith said.

"And for those students who aren't able to join in this week, there will be the interactive kiosk to visit next week, which will provide users with diverse perspectives on climate change.

"The interactive kiosk includes interviews with scientists to provide a scientific perspective as well as traditional land owners to provide a more local perspective."

The kiosk will be modelled on that which originated in the Alaskan town of Barrow, Alaska in the United States three years ago that promotes an interest in atmospheric science among its local students.

Schools to be visited this week include Darwin High School, Wagaman Primary School and the one-teacher Woolaning School in Litchfield National Park.

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