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8 Sept Board Meeting
7:30am

8 Sept Assembly
2:00pm 3/4 TM

14 Sept Christian
Education

14 Sept P&C Meeting

15 Sept Assembly
2:00pm 3/4KS

18, 20, 21 Sept
3/4 History
Perspectives
Excursion

21 Sept Indonesian
Day

22 Sept KJG Assembly
2:00pm

22 Sept End of Term3

9 Oct Start of Term 4

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Dear Parents and Carers,

In the short time I have been at Curtin Primary School, I have already noticed the sense of community that runs through so many aspects of our school life. The wonderful partnerships between home and school help to create this and I can honestly say, it is a joy to be a part of something so special.

The recent P&C trivia night was one such event where community spirit ran high. Good humour combined with a little competition between teams made for a fun evening and helped raise money which will no doubt be used to support the students at Curtin Primary. A huge thanks to the team of parents who organised such a great night for all.

The annual walkathon last Friday was another fantastic school community event. It was lovely to see students socialising with others from across the different year groups as they walked and ran their way along the 3km track. Great weather, a sausage sizzle and a range of additional activities such as bubble blowing, the colour run and music made this event enjoyable for all participants and a perfect fundraiser. A highlight for me was hearing the encouragement students offered to each other, particularly towards those who were trying to clock up as many kilometres as possible. Another was the colour run (watching students roll in the coloured grass trying to soak up every last skerrick of powder) and the grooving dance fest at lunchtime.

Congratulations to students who participated; they should be proud not only for achieving personal targets but for also reaching and going beyond expectations. Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to assist on the day; from helping with the sausage sizzle to stamping cards around the track or walking and encouraging students. Also, a huge thanks to Ms Tanya Devenish and Ms Louise Smith for organising such a fabulous day. To be eligible for all major prizes, sponsorship money needs to be returned to the front office by Thursday, September 21 (Week 10). Please return money in a labelled envelope or snap lock bag with your child's full name, class and the amount enclosed.

We have many talented students at Curtin Primary, across both academic and sporting domains. Over the weekend, five teams of Year 5 and 6 students competed in the Tournament of Minds competition. These students have been working on challenging, open-ended problems which required them to work together in a team, problem solve, use technology, all whilst thinking outside the square. All teams did a fabulous job, with 3 out of the 5 successfully making it into the ACT finals. Thank you to Ms Sonya Nemarich for coordinating and supporting the TOMs teams and to Ms Deborah Fitzgerald for attending the event on the day.

On Thursday, Ms Beresford will be accompanying 49 students from years 2-6 who qualified for the South Weston Athletics Carnival. We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing about their personal achievements on the day.

Enjoy the rest of your week,

Kate North

Notes sent Home

Date	Note	Return By
5/9/2017	Year 3-4 History Perspectives Excursion	13/9/2017
17/8/2017	Year 3-6 Footsteps Dance Company	22/9/2017

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to those families who have paid this year's voluntary contributions. Your valued contributions have purchased resources to support your child's education. We appreciate your continued support and look forward to helping our students develop their education in new and innovative ways.

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who will receive an award at assembly this week:

Kinder CS	Torion A Teddy H	3/4WL	Denham F Sonam Y
Kinder TM	Ava P Zara R	3/4KS	Amy B Madison K
Kinder JG	Mac K Codie SJ	3/4LR	Erika Y Tom M
Kinder KK	Agastya T Neave H	3/4TM	Audrey T Matilda C
1/2AS	Hayden C Charlotte Mc-K	3/4KL	Will-Daley S Jonathan K Will J
1/2KZ	Whole Class	5TD	Jordi B Brianna T
1/2KO	Sarayu A Abbi K	5LS	Bailey W Jill E
1/2MW	Yalguun K Tim D	5JW	Stella K Lucia DeLa C
1/2LH	Oscar J Darcy B	6RD	Rohan S Sophie G
1/2SL	Monty O Maddison T	6HH	Eilis R Josh T
3/4RT	Georgia M Austin A		

Congratulations

Congratulations to Zarqa on winning a support assistant position at Canberra Montessori School. Zarqa has been a regular at Curtin over the years helping support our students whenever she was needed. We wish you all the best in your new position.

Shoe Boxes

Our kindergarten classes need your shoe boxes. If you have any spare shoe boxes could you please bring them in.

Tournament of Minds 2017

Over the weekend, five teams of Year 5 and 6 students from Curtin Primary competed in the Tournament of Minds Regional Final at Campbell High School. Tournament of the Minds is a problem solving program for teams of students to solve a demanding, open-ended 'long term' challenge over a six week period. They have 10 minutes to present their solution to a panel of judges and an audience and also participate in an 'unseen' spontaneous challenge on the day. The tournament gives students the opportunity to develop real world skills such as working in teams, problem solving, thinking outside the square and use of technology.

We entered 5 teams this year in the categories of Maths/Engineering, Language/Literature and Social Science. Of the 5 teams that were entered, 3 of our teams were successful and will go through to the ACT state finals to be held on the 17th September. These teams are:

Language Literature – Curtin 1

Maths/Engineering – Curtin 4

Social Science – Curtin 5

Our Mathematics/Engineering team - Curtin 3 also received the special 'Spirit Of TOMs' award– which was given because only four team members were able to perform on the day, and it showed a lot of courage and commitment to still perform without the whole team.

Our Teams entered this year:

Language Literature - Curtin 1	Social Science – Curtin 5
Amelia B	Roisin H
Alyssa R	Will M
Bryn C	Andy M
Olivia S	Lucia D
Eilis R	Anurudh M
Cynthia S	Kate B
Emily V	Leah T

Maths/ Engineering – Curtin 2	Maths Engineering – Curtin 3	Maths Engineering – Curtin 4
Rowan T	Kane L	Sophie G
Rhys W	Brandon L	Stella K
Juliet D	Oliver M	Jaz C
Zann W	Joshua T	Jayda-Lily L
Chelsea P	Joyce I	Katy K
Lauren D	Roshel M	Yu Jing L
Natalia N		Lucia S

All our teams did incredibly well on the day. It took a lot of hard work and commitment inside and outside school time and they should all be congratulated on their efforts on the day and in the weeks leading to it. We wish the 3 successful teams all the best as they prepare for the next stage of the competition and work toward possibly representing the ACT at the Australian Pacific finals in October. Good luck teams!

Sonya Nemarich



Dear Parents,

The Year 5 and 6 students would like to invite you to our culminating event about Australian history! We would love for you to join us in celebrating our learning!

Date: Week 8, Friday 8th of September, 2017

Time: 8.30am - 9.30am

Venue: 5/6 classrooms, Curtin Primary



RE: Changes to the Transport Canberra Bus Network, Saturday 7 October 2017.

On Saturday 7 October 2017, Transport Canberra will be introducing a revised network and timetable. This change is the first of a series of improvements towards an integrated public transport system in 2018 with the introduction of light rail to the nation's capital.

This information including new timetables and maps are now available for parents and students to view on the Transport Canberra website – transport.act.gov.au

Some dedicated school services have also changed. We ask all parents and students to check their school route timings and maps for changes. This information is available on the [schools page](#). You can choose to search by *Route Number* or *School Name*.

We would appreciate your assistance in circulating this information to students and parents using your existing communications channels, such as school emails, newsletters or notices to start planning travel from Monday 9 October 2017.

Should you have any queries regarding your school service please call 13 17 10.

SRC Update

We are still collecting any type of tin with a lid. Can all containers please be given to Mrs Zarb and Ms North.



Canteen News

How amazing was the walkathon, a beautiful sunny day and many happy smiley faces.

A big thank you goes out to all the amazing volunteers who helped on the sausage sizzle.

A special thanks goes out to Brendan Crosbie who cooked over 700 sausages for all of those hungry kids.

Without all of your help, events like these are not possible so thank you very much.

Cheers Lizzy

Twilight Fair

Preparations for the Twilight Fair are underway! The Fair is [on Friday 10th of November](#) and it is time to start allocating stalls to classes. We also need ideas for new stalls! If you are interested in coordinating a stall, or have a suggestion for a stall, please get in contact with your class representative.



Curtin SAC

2018 ENROLMENTS OPEN 14 August 2017

Existing Families: Please place a booking request through your **My Family Lounge** account

New Families: Please register for an account with **My Family Lounge** through the link on our website and put through a booking request.

<http://www.wcs.org.au/2016-08-25-01-57-46/school-age-care/enrolments-and-fees-2018>

Places are limited and offered on a first in first serve basis. We will try to accommodate all families the best we can.

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Larissa Dann



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Resource blogs: www.parentskills.com.au/blogs/larissa; Contact: info@parentskills.com.au

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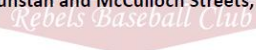


Rebels Baseball Club Gala Registration Day

Come along and join us for the kick off to our
60th anniversary year of baseball in Canberra

When: Saturday 16 September 2017
11am till 3 pm

Where: North Curtin Oval
Cnr Dunstan and McCulloch Streets, Curtin



Sausage sizzle

Meet other players, coaches and supporters

Try Baseball stations for players of all ages
i.e. Juniors and Seniors, boys, girls, men and women from age 4 up

Fun activities for all the family

Online registration facility available

Uniform shop will be open from 12pm till 2pm on the day

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