



CURTIN COURIER

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We gather to support
We strive to succeed*

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Diary Dates

- 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
- 13 Oct Athletics Carnival

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our students are coming towards the end of a fulfilling term. It has been wonderful to watch the children enjoying the warmth with our few days of spring weather. Let's hope the cold change coming through on Thursday is short lived.

The weather was fabulous for the inter-schools cricket on Monday of this week. Curtin Primary fielded six teams from the senior school for the event at Deakin Playing Fields. Many thanks to Ms Beresford for arranging our attendance, Ms Hoskisson for co-ordinating the day and all of the parents who volunteered their time to assist.

With the warm weather comes a reminder that it is essential for children to be wearing a sun safe hat when outside at school. Students without a hat will not be able to enjoy the playground and oval so please check that your child has his/her hat with them every morning.

The 'temperature' on the walkathon 'thermometer' on the display case in the front office is also on the rise! Please return sponsor forms and monies as soon as you can. For students to be eligible for the prize draw, these need to be returned by Thursday 21 September.

The P&C meeting tomorrow night (Thursday 14 September) will be discussing the future of education. All are welcome and you can hear what ideas have been generated in this consultative process.

We have had a good response to the parent questionnaire about the accelerated learning (PALs) program at Curtin. Thank you for your input if you have already completed the questionnaire sent to you from your class representative parent. The questionnaire for parents of students in years 1 to 5 is still open for you to provide your opinions. Because of the special circumstances of kindergarten and year 6 students, different surveys/processes for gathering information are being used. If you have a child in the years 1 to 5 and have not yet completed the survey, please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NYSQKCN> We value your thoughts. You only need to complete the survey once, even if you have multiple children in the school.

Kind regards

Leslee Roberts

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
11/9/2017	Kindy Excursion to Curtin Shops	ASAP

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	Teddy H Torion A	3/4WL	Amber W Oscar L
Kinder TM	Charlotte M Emma G	3/4KS	Laura P Parker H
Kinder JG	Sophia McP Gus B	3/4LR	Mia D Luke R
Kinder KK	Benjamin C Blighe S	3/4TM	Anna C Connor D
1/2AS	Elly P Jordy S	3/4KL	Thomas J Jai D
1/2KZ	Shams A Thomas M	5TD	Massimo M Gabe K
1/2KO	Isla T Abbi K	5LS	Oliver T Jake M
1/2MW	Charlotte H William McG	5JW	Umar N James F
1/2LH		6RD	Zack W Wilbur P
1/2SL		6HH	Taniela M
3/4RT	Kate S Matthew B		

Tournament of Minds

The Tournament of Minds teams which competed in the ACT Regional Finals on Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd September will receive their certificates at this Friday's Assembly.

Three Curtin teams will then compete in the ACT Finals at Campbell High School on Sunday 17th September. They are the Maths Engineering, Language Literature and Social Sciences teams.

We wish them the very best of luck in their team's 3 hour challenges. During this time they will be required to successfully answer a 5 minute Spontaneous Challenge.

Tournament of Minds teams collaborate using their creative thinking, problem solving, team work and communication skills.

Shoe Boxes

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

SPORT NEWS

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SAVE THE DATE

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2017

Friday 13 October (Term 4, Week 1)

Curtin Primary School Oval

9am-3pm

Notes will be coming home shortly with further information.

SOUTH WESTON ATHLETICS

Congratulations to all our athletes who competed at the South Weston Athletics Carnival last Thursday. From what I saw, everyone had a great day and enjoyed participating. We had a number of excellent results and have 5 students competing at the ACT Carnival next Tuesday. Thank you to Bruce Driver for helping out with the Shot Put.

Jaz C, Jada-Lili L, Charlotte Hy, Jake M & Sophie G.

HALL OF FAME

Sophie G (6RD) recently ran very well in the club cross country nationals in Wollongong. She got a merit award for assisting a QLD runner who was having trouble on the track. Sophie – you are a star!



THANK YOU

We often have opportunities to take the children to sporting gala days. We like to attend events where we can send along as many children that would like to attend, whether they have played that sport before or not.

We often require the assistance of parents at these events. This term we have attended a 3/4 Tennis Gala Day and a 3-6 Cricket Gala Day. On both occasions we had a number of parents kindly offer to help.

I would like to acknowledge these wonderful parents who gave up their own time to assist. We really appreciate your support.

I would also like to thank all the parents who have helped in Gymnastics this term. I would not be able to run such a program without your assistance.

Walkathon

Just a reminder that to be eligible to win the major prizes from the Walkathon that the cut-off date is Thursday 21st of September. The assembly will be announced early term 4. Thank you to all those who have returned their money. So far we have reached the \$4000 mark and are working towards our total of \$20,000. We appreciate your support!

Cricket Gala Day

It was a beautiful Spring morning as I packed the picnic in my little car for my first sports day as Teacher in Charge with teams from year 3 to 6. I arrived at the Deakin Playing fields early and read the rules yet again as I thought I might have to score. What with fours, sixes, and double scores for some shots it was a complicated business. Mrs Beresford arrived with the tent and ACT Cricket assured me they had an umpire and a scorer for each oval. That left me free to enjoy the cricket.

We had ups and downs, wins and losses, great saves and misses, athletic catches and equally athletic drops, splendid shots and lost chances but it was great day and we had fun. Our teams overall showed great sportsmanship and represented Curtin Primary brilliantly.

I would like to thank the parents who managed each team and made this day possible.

Hazel Hoskisson

P&C Meeting this Thursday 14th September

Join us at 7pm in the staff room. The evening will open with a half hour session with the Principal, providing feedback and ideas relating to the future of education in the ACT. We will then discuss planning for the P&C's biggest annual fund-raising event - the Twilight Fair.

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.

5 Cent Drive

Is about to begin so start saving up

“Coins over here

Coins over there



Maybe even in your dad's underwear” 9 year old author

Prizes for the Winning classes

1st – Pizza Party

2nd – Ice-creams

3rd – Cupcake

Canteen News

I think we are all ready for the holidays, only one week to go, we can do it. The canteen is closed on **Friday 22nd September**, the last day of term for stocktake and cleaning. I will be running down the stock, so your child may not receive what they have ordered but an alternative will be offered. Next term a few items will be increased on the menu due to suppliers increasing their prices. Please keep an eye out for the new menu in the first or second newsletter of Term 4. Cheers Lizzy

LOST PROPERTY

Hi everyone,

With the end of Term 3 approaching it's time to checkout lost property and see if any of your belongings are there. A reminder to please label your belongings with your surname. At the end of week 10 I will be donating any unnamed items.

Many thanks,
Rebecca

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.

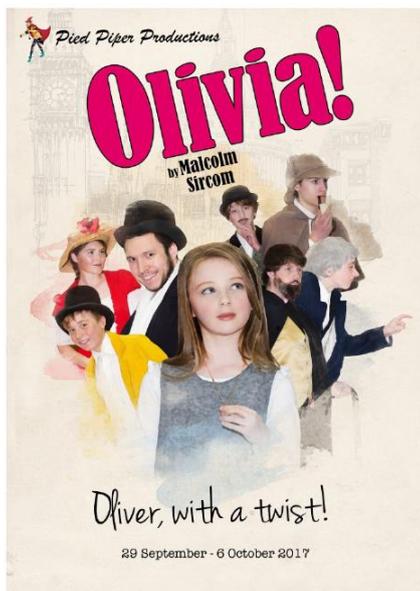
This information including new timetables and maps are now available for parents and students to view on the Transport Canberra website – transport.act.gov.au

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.

Community News



Fri 29 Sept 7pm
Sat 30 Sept 3pm
Sun 1 Oct 3pm
Tues 3 Oct 11am and 3pm
Wed 4 Oct 11am and 3p
Thurs 5 Oct 11am and 3pm
Fri 6 Oct 7pm
Canberra College Performing Arts Centre
Launceston St Woden
Tickets \$20 each
\$72 family of four
\$16 ea groups 10+
www.trybooking.com/REBQ
For early bird ticket price \$17 ea until Sun 1 Oct
use the promo code OlivEB
Info: bookings@pied-piper.com.au ph6295 9172



Before school body and brain work out.

Term 4, Teams Event: 2 girls and 2 boys

Thursday 19 October	North Ainslie Primary School
Thursday 26 October	Ngunnawal Primary School
Thursday 2 November	Emmaus Christian School
Thursday 9 November	St Thomas More's Primary School

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Or call 0411 968 001



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Woden Community Service School Holiday Program



<p>Curtin K-Yr.6 Program Patterson Hall at Curtin Primary School Theodore St, Curtin Coordinators: Tim Palmer and Tim Yap</p>	<p>Duffy P-Yr.6 Program "Play Space" at Duffy Primary School Burrinjuck Cres. Duffy Coordinators: Jodie Wettstein and Vidya Chandra</p>
<p>Garran K-Yr.6 Program School Hall at Garran Primary School Gilmore Cres. Garran Coordinators: Brian Pearce and Elise Bailey</p>	<p>Red Hill K-Yr.6 Program School Hall at Red Hill Primary School Astrolabe St. Red Hill Coordinators: Michael Aisbitt and Daniel Burden</p>

Throughout the school holidays:
Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th September
Tuesday 3rd – Friday 6th October
 8:00am – 6:00pm daily

Cost: \$75.25 per day, including excursions!
CCB & CCR available.

Bookings are now open

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