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CURTIN COURIER

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We gather to support
We strive to succeed*

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Diary Dates

8 November – PBL
Assembly 2.20pm

9 November – Twilight
Fair & Sushi Day

12-16 November -
Year 2 Aqua Safe
Swimming

**13, 14, 15 & 19
November** – Book Fair

15 November –
Assembly for External
Competitions 8.30am

15 November - ADHS
Year 6/7 Disco 5.30pm
to 7pm & ADHS Parent
Info session 5.45pm to
6.45pm

19 November – 2019
Kindy parent
Information session
5.30pm

22 November –
Walkathon assembly
Jnr: 2-2.30pm
Snr: 2.30-3pm

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Welcome to this week’s newsletter,

The countdown to Curtin Primary’s major fundraising event has begun and our school is abuzz with our school community excitedly making the final preparations for the **Twilight Fair**. Thank you to all the parents, staff, students and helpers who work tirelessly and enthusiastically to ensure this fabulous evening runs smoothly.

Yesterday our 2019 Kindergarten students had their first transition morning to primary school. While they were undertaking ‘big school’ activities in the Kindergarten classrooms, this year’s Kindies were working in our year 6 classrooms. One of their activities was to imagine what they would be like as students when they reached year 6. KTM students responded in writing with, “When I’m in year 6, I hope I play soccer.” “When I’m in year 6, I hope I learn one hundred thousand things.” “When I’m in year 6, I hope I am the best writer in the whole school.” And, “When I’m in year 6, I hope I play the flute really well.” Meanwhile, our 2019 preschool students and their parents visited their North and South Curtin preschool classrooms for the first time. The children excitedly played with play dough, made music with percussion instruments, explored their new learning spaces and listened to a story.

Recently, I had the opportunity to take two of our year 5 students to the Minister’s Student Congress. The Congress is a meeting of student leaders from ACT public schools with the ACT Minister for Education and Early Childhood Development, Yvette Berry MLA to discuss student leadership activities and school-related issues. This year’s topic of *Leadership* stemmed from the 2017 focus on student voice. Elections were held for the Student Congress Executives for 2019 which develops the yearly topic that action then results from. Students from year 2 to year 12 discussed the qualities and skills that good leaders have including dedication, empathy, integrity, open-mindedness, influence, inspiration and working together to make the world a better place. Edward A and Madison B from year 5 will represent Curtin Primary School again at next year’s Minister’s Student Congress.

The PBL awards assembly will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:20pm in the main hall. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Enjoy the Twilight Fair!
Deborah

The canteen will not be taking recess and lunch orders this Friday 9th November. There will be no hot food available. It will be open for recess and lunch snacks only.
SUSHI ORDERS ARE CLOSED

Notes sent home	Return By
Years 3-6 – Footsteps Dance Company	ASAP

PASSION PROJECTS

As Passion Projects did not go ahead last Friday, they will be held this Friday and teachers and their groups will work around the setting up of the Twilight Fair.

Presentation assembly Thursday 15 November 8.30am

Presentation of awards to the Curtin Primary students (Years 2 to Year 6), who participated in 2018 external enrichment/extension competitions, including: ICAS, Australian Mathematics Trust competitions, Challenges and Enrichment.

If you have any queries, please contact: deborah.fitzgerald@ed.act.edu.au

Walkathon

The Walkathon assembly will be held on Thursday, 22 November:

- Juniors (K-2) 2pm-2:30pm
- Seniors (3-6) 2:30pm-3pm



TWO MORE SLEEPS!

Curtin Primary School's Twilight Fair is one of the highlights of the year! This year's Twilight Fair will be held on Friday 9th November from 5pm until 8.30pm.

There will be delicious food and drink, treats for the kids, carnival and pony rides, entertainments and goodies to take home.

The Twilight Fair is Curtin Primary's major fundraiser and would not be possible without the assistance of the wonderful Curtin Primary School community.

Please see the attachment to this week's Newsletter for all the details!

PBL Awards - Term 4 Week 4

Congratulations to the following children who will receive their certificates at tomorrow's assembly at 2.20pm:

SAFE		RESPECTFUL		RESPECTFUL		LEARNER		LEARNER	
<i>Silver Certificate</i>		<i>Silver Certificate</i>		<i>Silver Certificate</i>		<i>Silver Certificate</i>		<i>Silver Certificate</i>	
Annika C	6JW	Erin C	3WL			Annika C	6JW		
		Annika C	6JW			Jill E	6JW		
		Chloe C	6JW						
<i>Bronze Certificate</i>		<i>Bronze Certificate</i>		<i>Bronze Certificate</i>		<i>Bronze Certificate</i>		<i>Bronze Certificate</i>	
Roisin H	6SN	Emily V	6SN	Emily C	3RT	Blighe S	1KZ	Sonam Y	5KL
Erin C	3WL	Rhys W	6SN	Joshua S	6DJ	Aidyn C	4LR	Charlotte H	6DJ
Roshel M	6JW	Wyatt K	1CT	William M	6JW	James C	6SN	Mateja S	4HH
Jemima W	6JW	Joyce I-R	6SN	Oliver B	3WL	Amy G	6SN	Ethan B	4HH
Benjamin P	6DJ	Will M-W	6SN	Holly R	4HH	Vinay G	2AC	Finn L	KLS
Brodie K-A	6JW	Jasmine M	1KZ	Brodie K-A	6JW	Jasmine M	1KZ	Aidan W	1CD
Hannah W	6DJ	Isaac D	3WL	Zoe B	6DJ	Stella K	6SN	James F	6DJ
Thomas P	6DJ	Tom D	5KL	Benjamin P	6DJ	Jake M	6SN	Charles R	6JW
Charlotte H	6DJ	Abbi J	2TD	Charlotte H	6DJ	Seth D	6SN	Zoe B	6DJ
Kobe S	6JW	Joshua M	5KL	Chloe W	1CT	Roley S	2TD	Abbi K	2TD
Filip M	6JW	Max W	3RT	Alexander P	6DJ	Sabine R	KLS	Emilia V	1CD
Chloe C	6JW	Ryaan M	3RT	Jill E	6JW	Rhys W	6SN	Isaac D	3WL
Joshua S	6DJ	Isla D	5KL	Emily S	6JW	Ryaan M	3RT	Senna R	1CT
Tre M	6JW	Charlie L	3TM	Genevieve M	6DJ	Sophie C	1CD	Sneha J	4KS
Zoe B	6DJ	Georgia M	5KL	Bryn C	6DJ	Lachlan B	KLS	Mia S	3RT
Freya P	6JW	Yael K	3RT	Mackenzie R	6DJ	Joshua M	5KL	Bryn C	6DJ
Yujing L	6JW	Elana S	3RT			Ben K	4KS	Alexander P	6DJ
Aidan W	6JW	Laura P	5KL			Fatima F	6JW	Valentina H	1CT
Alexander P	6DJ	Sophie L	6DJ			Mackenzie R	6DJ	Lucius S	6DJ
Georgia J	6JW	Livvy B	6SN			Jordi B	6DJ	William B	1CD
Kevin W	6JW	Jayden P-B	1CT			Elsa K	KLS	Yujing L	6JW
Umar N	6DJ	Jack I	6DJ			Charlie T	KLS	Riley W	4LR
Fatima F	6JW	Jordi B	6DJ			Adelaide C	5KL	Emma G	1CD
Emily S	6JW	Jamie P	6SN			Benjamin P	6DJ	Joshua S	6DJ
Genevieve M	6DJ	Charlotte H	6DJ			Charlotte H	6DJ	Darcy B	3RT
Lauren B	6DJ	Hannah W	6DJ			Silas S	4HH	Wyatt K	1CT
Mackenzie R	6DJ	Thomas P	6DJ			Malakai C	KLS	Eliza W	4KS
						Genevieve M	6DJ		

Year 6 - ICT

Could Year 6 families please make sure their child has a working set of headphones for weeks 5, 6 and 7 as we are studying digital music creation in ICT?

Thank you, Hugh Peoples.



READ AT HOME PROGRAM

At our book fair starting on 13 November there is an opportunity to buy one book and get one free. This is a great opportunity to get Christmas presents, etc.

We are asking if you would like to donate your 'get one free' book to the school we will be able to add it to our Read at Home sets.

This is an initiative we are starting in 2019. All students in Kindergarten will be able to borrow quality picture books for their parents to read to them at home. Each pack will contain three books and some suggestions for discussion.

If you would like to donate a book there will be notes to put inside the book stating who it is from and a box to put it in in the library.

Thank you for your support in this endeavour.

Book Fair	Tuesday	13th Nov	8:30 – 9am	3:00 to 3:30pm
	Wednesday	14th Nov	8:30 – 9am	3:00 to 3:30pm
	Thursday	15th Nov	8:30 – 9am	3:00 to 3:30pm
	Monday	19th Nov	8:30 - 9am	



HOCKEY HELPERS

Miss Jackson is looking for volunteers with a positive, caring attitude to help umpire Passion Projects junior school hockey games on Fridays after lunch.

No prior experience necessary.

If you can help, please contact her daisy.jackson@ed.act.edu.au



Alfred Deakin High School
YEAR 6/7 DISCO
15 November 5.30pm to 7pm



Year 7 2019 Parent Information Session
15 November 5.45pm to 6.45pm

RECYCLABLES NEEDED

Dear Parents/Carers,

This term, in Inquiry, Year 5 have been focusing on 'Adaptation'. We have been creating organisms and habitats for them to live in.

In week five, the students will be bringing their organisms to life, using box construction. In order for us to be able to do this, we are looking for clean recycled materials.

Any recyclables that you might have would be greatly appreciated. Please bring these to any of the year 5 teachers.

Materials may include:

- Cardboard boxes
- Clean plastic recyclables
- Newspaper
- Wire
- Wool
- Rope
- Old balls
- Straws
- Old cloth materials

Thank you, Year 5 teaching team.

After School Chess Club at Curtin Primary

South Side Kids Chess Club

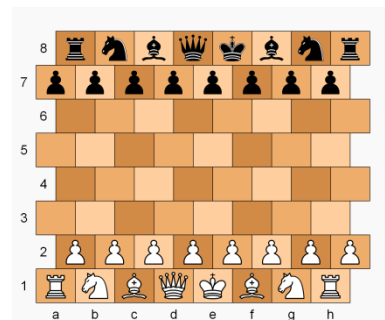
Time: Tuesdays after school (3.15pm - 5.00pm).

Place: Indonesian Room, Curtin Primary School

Fee: \$130 per term (subject to change depending on the number of students)

Contact: Michiko Dowling (michikotd.mobile@gmail.com)

Children from every grade are welcome!



**Year 6 students and teachers
would like to say a big**



**To the Curtin community
for the dazzling success of
market day last week.**

**Some very worthy charities will
receive the profits very soon.**

SPORT NEWS

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LAST CHANCE TO ENROL!

Yr 2 SWIMMING PROGRAM 2018



AQUA SAFE
Water Safety & Awareness Program

Yr 2: Monday 12 November to Friday 16 November (Week 5)

CISAC Belconnen

LAST CHANCE TO ENROL!

Please use the enrolment codes below when enrolling your child.

Website link: <https://www.royallifesavingact-enrol.com.au>

If you do not have online access, please contact Amanda Beresford and we can enrol using a school computer.

AQUA SAFE \$50

2AC

Enrolment code:

AS1035CUR18

Bus leaves school at 10.05am

Leaves pool at 11.50am

AQUA SAFE \$50

2JG

Enrolment code:

AS1155CUR18

Bus leaves school at 11.25am

Leaves pool at 1.10pm

AQUA SAFE \$50

2TD

Enrolment code:

AS100CUR18

Bus leaves school at 12.30pm

**If you would like to come and assist with supervision,
please contact me by email amanda.beresford@ed.act.edu.au**

You can come on the bus with us.



Twilight Fair Raffle

Prizes include...

\$100 Birdsnest voucher

Mini photo session and \$100 print credit with Tracey Lee Photography

Make-up session with Hale Spa

Interview coaching with The Interview Coach

Family passes to National Dinosaur Museum, Questacon,

Dickson Aquatic Centre, Cockington Green

Vouchers for Daana Restaurant, Beyond Q Bookshop, Choku Bai Jo

Handmade quilt

Benson's haircare pack

Children's toy and packs

...and so much more! Make sure you have purchased your tickets!



Come and try half a day of orienteering fun to register for the
ACT Primary Schools Championships.

It's happening at Stromlo Forest Park and it's open to all comers.

This exciting day is always a rewarding time for one and all.

Details on our website here:

<http://act.orienteering.asn.au/eventor/events/details/6279/>



<https://www.flexischools.com.au/>

To make canteen and uniform shop orders even more convenient,

Flexischools now has an app!



Working together
Developing Potential

Reminder to book in for our ACT camp & under 6's day coming up in November

A Journey into the Past!

Explore our historical world from prehistoric times, through ancient civilizations to more modern times.

TO BOOK OR LEARN MORE:

ACT Camp November 2018 - A Journey Into the Past Friday 16th - Sun 18th November

THEME: HISTORY

(Extensive knowledge of the theme is not essential)

VISIT: <https://actcampnovember2018-ajourneyintothepast.eventbrite.com.au>

ACT Day Camp For Gifted Young Children (under 6) Saturday 17th November

THEME: HISTORY

(Extensive knowledge of the theme is not essential)

VISIT: <https://actdaycampforyounggiftedchildrenunder6s.eventbrite.com.au>

Activities will require your creative, imaginative, scientific problem-solving skills. There will be plenty of time for imagination, fun and making new friends.

Extensive knowledge of the theme is not essential

For the past 25 years I have been coordinating weekend camps for gifted children aged 6-14. The camps provide opportunities for gifted children to participate in a variety of workshops, and to spend time socialising with like-minded peers. Parents are also welcome and encouraged to attend.

Camps run from 7.30pm Friday to 3pm Sunday

AGES: 6 – 14 year olds. Children under 8 years must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Parents of all children are very welcome and encouraged to come

FEES: Registration includes accommodation in shared bunk houses, all meals & all activities, workshops and materials. Most special dietary needs can be met.

ENQUIRIES: programs@australiangiftedsupport.com

FACILITATORS: Helen Dudeney (M.Ed, Dip Couns, COGE) & Lyndal Reid (Dip Couns)