



CURTIN COURIER

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Diary Dates

3 Aug – Board Meeting 7:30am

4 Aug – 5TD Assembly – 2pm

14 Aug-18 Aug National Science Week

15 Aug Maths ICAS

16 Aug – WALKATHON

18 Aug 1/2AS Assembly

18 Aug P&C Trivia Night

21 Aug – 25 Aug Stem Festival

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This term we welcome four new staff members who will be joining us at Curtin. Sonya Numerich is our enrichment support teacher for year 6. She is a highly experienced teacher and will be working closely with the year 6 teachers to provide enrichment opportunities and support students as they prepare to transition into high school. Clare Farr and Chloe Templeton, will be working together to provide additional learning support to students across the school. And in year 3/4, Wendy Lee will be replacing Jimi Connal and is due to commence in the next few weeks.

The beginning of August is hats ON again! It's hard to imagine that sun protection is once again required in Canberra during such a cold part of the year. Although still cold, it is the month we start to witness a rise in UV levels in Canberra. Children (compared to adults) tend to spend more time being active outdoors which increases their risk of solar induced UV skin damage. In Canberra, average daily UV levels reach **3 and above** for part or most of every day between August and May. When UV levels reach 3 and above, Cancer Council recommends a combination of sun protection behaviours to reduce the risk of skin damage which lays the ground work for skin cancer later in life.

During week 6 we will be celebrating two special events, STEM Week and Book Week!

A special thanks needs to go out to our STEM parent volunteers who have kindly offered to share their skills and experience with individual classes. STEM week is shaping up to be an exciting event and it's not too late to volunteer. If you are unsure about the skills you may have to offer or how you could share these with your child's class then please contact Deborah Fitzgerald via email. Allocated days and session times for those parents who have already volunteered will be announced next week.

To celebrate book week, students are asked to bring in a book (or books) that they have outgrown. Class teachers will collect these and classes will read through them during weeks 4-6. Each class will then select 5 books to donate to our library for book week. Remaining books will be displayed in the hall for the 'Great Book Swap' on 24 August where students will make a gold coin donation to come into the hall and choose a new book to take home. All money raised will be donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation to contribute to the purchase of quality literature for remote schools. Further information can be viewed at <http://www.greatbookswap.org.au/>

Any remaining books will be collected and delivered to a charity that distributes books to schools overseas. This charity will be selected by the SRC and shared with each class. We encourage students to celebrate the day through participating in this service learning opportunity. We also look forward to seeing students dressed up as favourite **book** characters on Friday 25 August to celebrate the day. I know I have my costume planned already!

Finally, I would like to make mention of the 'Food for Thought' parent information session on childhood anxiety that was held last night. We were fortunate to have Lisa from West Belconnen Child and Family Centre and Heather from Woden Community Services present an informative overview about:

- The different types of childhood anxiety
- What contributes to anxiety
- Common fears and worries
- How to best support your child if they experience anxiety, and
- Where to go for further support

Throughout terms 3 and 4, we are planning on holding a number of different information sessions for parents and these will be advertised in the newsletter and via class parent reps.

Enjoy the rest of your week,

Kate North

Notes sent Home

Date	Note	Return By
29/06/2017	Walkathon Notes	
25/7/2017	Old Mogo Town Excursion	17/8/2017
2/8/2018	Questacon Stem Incursion Year 3,4,5,6	18/8/2017

AWARDS

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

Kinder CS	Akein M Zeel J	3/4JC	Logan S Amber W
Kinder TM		3/4KS	Ben F
Kinder JG	Annie Mac Grace W	3/4LR	Hugh A Jeremy B
Kinder KK	Manuel S Arya P	3/4TM	Ethan B Matilda C
1/2AS	Izzy K Darren A	3/4KL	Zander M Tilly A
1/2KZ	Ali N Lysander W	5TD	Flip M Aidan W
1/2KO	Sonia F Amani T	5LS	Zann W Rhys W
1/2MW	Rosie H Emma M	5JW	Lauren B Tre McL
1/2LH	Maasi M Charlize S	6RD	Peter R Jaz C
1/2SL	Tessa W Phyu Sin S	6HH	Natalia N Oliver M
3/4RT	Felix M Lara C		



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Please make sure your child has a sun smart hat in their bag.

SRC Update

The Walkathon is coming 16th of August!

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





CHANGE OF DATE: WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST- WEEK 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

To avoid students missing out on their gymnastics program with Mrs Beresford, we have moved the Walkathon Day to Wednesday 16 August (Week 5). The Year 6 SRC leaders have been busy ordering prizes and brainstorming ideas to make this day fun and memorable for all participants.

- Date: Wednesday 16 August, 2017
Venue: Surrounds of Curtin Primary School (3km cross country track)
Classes: Whole school programme – Preschool – Year 6
Time: 9.30am start

Please note sausage sizzle orders need to include cash money with the order. We are only able to accept cash for the sausage sizzle.

Canteen News

Week 3, I hope everyone is back in the swing of things.

Just a reminder can all sausage sizzle notes and money be back by this Friday 4th for the walkathon as I need time to order the sausages.

Unfortunately there maybe a few items unavailable at the moment. I am having trouble sourcing some items. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Cheers

Lizzy

Upcoming P&C Meeting - Thursday Week 3

The Curtin Primary School P&C will next meet on Thursday, 3rd August at 7pm in the staff room. A great opportunity to find out more about what is going on in the school and to participate in the school community - all welcome.



STEM FESTIVAL 2017



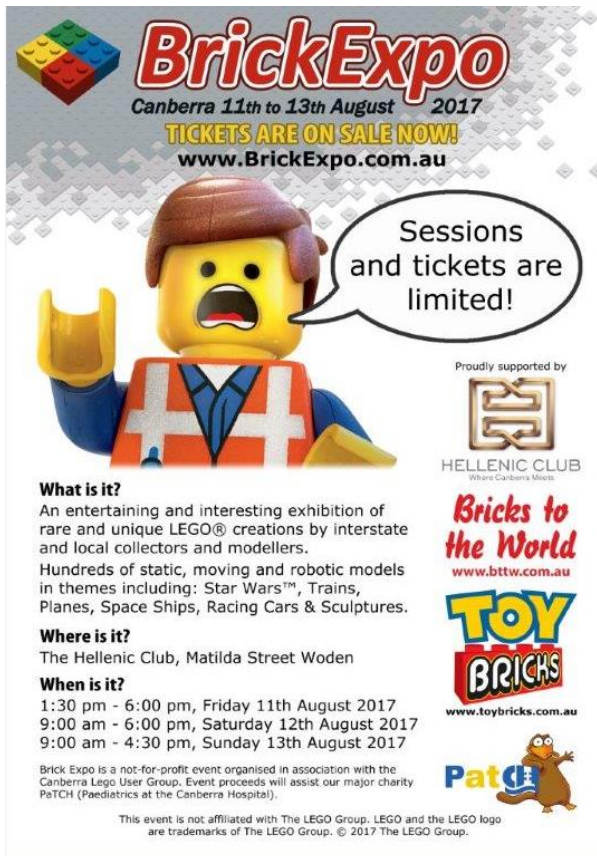
Week 6 term 3 Mon 21 –Thur 24 August

If you work, study or are just passionate about science, technology, engineering or mathematics and are willing to share that expertise and enthusiasm with our students during this year's STEM Festival, please contact

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COMMUNITY NEWS



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An entertaining and interesting exhibition of rare and unique LEGO® creations by interstate and local collectors and modellers. Hundreds of static, moving and robotic models in themes including: Star Wars™, Trains, Planes, Space Ships, Racing Cars & Sculptures.

Where is it?
The Hellenic Club, Matilda Street Woden

When is it?
1:30 pm - 6:00 pm, Friday 11th August 2017
9:00 am - 6:00 pm, Saturday 12th August 2017
9:00 am - 4:30 pm, Sunday 13th August 2017

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IT HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION THAT CARS ARE TRAVELLING AT A VERY FAST SPEED IN THE BACK CAR PARK THE SPEED LIMIT IS 10KM.

THIS IS FOR OUR CHILDRENS SAFETY