

Dear families of children aged 7 and above

Hillcrest Primary School is now a full member of Children's University Tasmania (CU). The CU Program is part of the University of Tasmania's Peter Underwood Centre for Educational Attainment. CU aims to raise children's aspirations, boost achievement and foster a love of learning. CU is child led, voluntary and based on broad learning outside regular school hours.

How does Children's University work?

Each participating child is issued with a *Passport to Learning* which is used to record hours of participation in **validated** learning activities attended **outside of class time**. Passport stamps can be achieved via the following means;

- **Public Learning Destinations** – These are a range of diverse organisations offering validated and approved learning activities outside school hours e.g. Devonport LINC.
- **Restricted Learning Destinations** – School clubs (outside regular school hours).
- **Regular Restricted Clubs** – Non-school clubs (Max 10 hours per year, per club).
- **CU Online Activities** – Monthly online challenges posted by CU Tasmania and CUA.
- **University of Tasmania (UTAS) School Holiday Activities** and UTAS Open Days.

To encourage participation in a diverse range of learning activities, a maximum of 1/3 of passport hours can be counted and credited to a particular learning activity.

How does my child achieve graduation?

When a child completes 30+ hours of validated learning activities, the child and family are invited to attend an annual graduation ceremony and receive their CU Award. CU graduates are provided with cap and gown and receive certificates based on number of hours stamped.

How do I register my interest?

Families of children age 7 or above at Hillcrest Primary School are invited to a Children's University information session, presented by Jesse Brennan (UTAS). The details are as follows;

Date & Time: Wednesday 6th March at 2.45 pm

Location: Hillcrest Primary School Library

RSVPs – Please register your interest with the office

Kind Regards

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