Welcome to our first Newsletter for 2014.

**News**

1. **Library Staff**

   In March we welcomed Kirsty Robertson who joined us as a casual Client Services Officer. Kirsty works on Monday evening, Tuesday morning, Wednesday evenings and Saturdays.

   On the 7th August we farewelled Liaison Librarian Melissa Raymond who left CDU to take up a new position as Librarian at the Batchelor Institute. Melissa was an integral part of the Alice Springs Campus Library for almost 6 years, particularly in the provision of information literacy skills to both staff and students. Alex Williams will take up full time employment as Liaison Librarian from 1st September.

   Alex is currently on leave and will be presenting (independently, in her own time) at the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) Congress Satellite Meeting at the National Library of France on August 23rd. Her paper and presentation; *The accidental book club : getting teens interested in reading without really meaning to* is based on her work with CSC students in the Library.

2. **Library Hours**

   A decision to change the Library opening hours during semester from 8:00-8:00 to 8:00-7:00 Monday to Thursday was made after a year-long survey which indicated that there was minimal student use of the Library after 7:00pm.
Library hours for the rest of the year:

21st July - 7th November
- Monday to Thursday 8:00-7:00
- Friday 8:00-4:00
- Saturday 10:00-1:00

8th November - 19th December
- Monday to Friday 8:00-4:00

3. Library Foyer Exhibition Space

The display of traditional Fijian pottery set up by Suzi Lyon in the Library foyer exhibition space in April received media attention and was very popular, attracting community visitors as well as those on Campus.

A collection of photographs of China by CDU Alice Springs staff; Suzie Lyons, Alex Williams and Christine Hart, entitled Lao Wai (Old Outsider) was recently on display and Creative Arts students will be exhibiting their work in August and September.

We would like to see a regularly changing display of staff, student and community work exhibited in the Foyer so do contact us if you have any ideas or would like to make a booking.

4. Library Tours and Information Literacy Sessions

Library staff were busy providing tours and introductions to the Library to a wide range of students last semester, including those studying AMEP, VET Trades, Horticulture, Community Services, Master of Nursing, ACIKE programs and Aspire participants. Working with students, either individually or in groups, is a very enjoyable part of a Librarian’s role so do contact us for class visits.
5. Library Space

Assessment and reorganisation of both the Teaching and Learning collection and the CSC Textbook collection has freed up space for a small Study Room which is now heavily used by individuals and small groups.

The compactus at the front of the Library have been removed and the Liaison Librarians have moved into this more spacious working space.

6. Bright Ideas Box

In response to the 2013 CSC Student Survey we have installed a “Bright Ideas” box for staff and student suggestions about Library resources, spaces and services and have displayed our responses. We encourage all Library users to provide us with comments and feedback at any time so that we can keep improving our services and collections.

7. Easter Egg Guessing Competition

Our Easter Egg Guessing Competition once again attracted a large number of entries. Congratulations to CDU student Amy Sherrin who correctly guessed 66 Easter goodies in the basket.

8. Biggest Morning Tea

A big Thank You to all staff who contributed to, and participated in, our Biggest Morning Tea – we raised $400 for the Cancer Council. Congratulations to Robert Tucker, who correctly guessed 38 teabags in the jar, Delyna Baxter, who was the lucky raffle winner, and Kojak Lacanau, whose wonderful elephant mug was awarded the most interesting prize by guest judge, Anne Wilson, from the Casuarina Campus Library.
Library Resources

The Library is emailing out a monthly list of new resources to all staff. Please contact us if you have any enquiries about any of the new titles or if you would like to recommend new resources.

1. Looking for Something to Read?

The Miles Franklin Literary Awards Winner has been announced and we hold all of the Shortlisted titles:

- **The narrow road to the Deep North** by FLAN
- **The night guest** by MACF
- **My beautiful enemy** by TAYL
- **Eyrie** by WINT
- **The swan book** by WRIG
- **All the birds, singing** (Winner) by WYLD
LibGuides

Our new LibGuides:

Ceramics Guide
Printmaking Guide
Study Skills Guide for CSC students

A Medley of Interesting Websites

1. **Open2Study Free Courses**

Open2Study is backed by Open Universities Australia (OUA), an Australian leader in accredited online education. They offer a range of online general interest/vocational 4 week courses that could be of interest to Faculty, teachers and students for personal or professional development.

2. **Bite : Recipes for Remarkable Research**

“Whether you are a PhD student, professor or decision maker, these recipes, case studies and papers invite you to consider research habits, approaches and environments in interesting and different ways”. Open Access ebook.

3. **Tertiary Education : a quick guide to key internet links**

This Quick Guide, compiled by the Parliamentary Library, provides key internet links to information about:

* general tertiary education resources
* higher education
* vocational education and training (VET)
* international students
* adult and community education and
* international organisations.

The [Parliamentary Library](#) provides a wide range of research publications and statistical reports on current and important Australian issues.

4. **Directory of Open Access Journals**

DOAJ is an online directory that indexes and provides access to quality open access, peer-reviewed journals. It contains 9,785 journals, 5,695 searchable at article level, 134 countries, 1,648,834 articles, and includes 114 Australian journals.