



# The WONDER WEEKLY

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**CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT:** Children's University Tasmania members will be able to earn hours towards graduation through the additional home-based activities.

## LEARNING FUN

### New Underwood Centre publication to deliver home-based activities

THE Peter Underwood Centre understands it is a challenging time for families.

Social distancing measures have put a hold on many of the activities that get children and young people out and about.

But at the Underwood Centre we know that learning can happen everywhere, so we are very keen to provide children and

families with fun home-based learning activities.

Our latest contribution comes today with the release of the Peter Underwood Centre newspaper, *The Wonder Weekly*. This publication will provide our members (and their families) with ideas and activities for many hours of learning.

Peter Underwood Centre director Professor Natalie Brown said Children's

University Tasmania members will receive stamps in their Passports To Learning for the additional home-based activities provided, but the resources will be accessible to all families.

"*The Wonder Weekly* will be available to all Tasmanian children and young people via the Peter Underwood Centre website and Facebook site," Professor Brown said.

We will also be connecting you with home-based activities being offered by Children's University Tasmania Learning Destinations, and there are more than 200 in Tasmania alone.

In fact *The Wonder Weekly* will keep you up to date with everything that is happening at Children's University Tasmania.

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"Education perhaps more than anything else is a passport to a better life." - Peter Underwood AC



# A new ball game for our active children

SEVEN times is a fun ball game to keep active and learn new skills.

All you need is a tennis ball or some other bouncy ball, and a flat surface such as a concrete path to bounce off.

Of course once you get better, you might like to test yourself by using an uneven surface.

## The Activity

Seven-times: Throw the ball against the ground and catch it. Repeat seven times.

Six-times: Throw the ball against the ground, and let it bounce a second time before you catch it. Repeat six times.

Five-times: Bounce the ball on the ground, but throw it hard enough so it bounces up over your head. Catch on the way down. Repeat five times.

Four-times: Throw the ball against the ground with your non-preferred hand (i.e. if you are right-handed use your left hand).



When it bounces back, catch it with your non-preferred hand. Repeat four times.

Three-times: Bounce the ball, then hit it down again before

catching (like you are dribbling a basketball). Repeat three times.

Two-times: Bounce the ball under your leg and catch it. Repeat twice.

One-time: Throw the ball up in the air and do a spin. Catch it on the bounce.

Invent skills of your own and challenge others in your family.

## Becoming a member of Children's University

IF your school participates in Children's University Tasmania, and you are aged 7-14, then joining is an easy process.

Children's University fosters a love of learning, by providing a wide range of experiences outside the classroom.

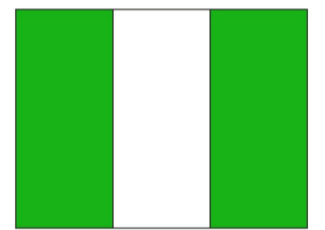
Each member is issued with a Passport to Learning in which the hours of validated activity are recorded.

Once you reach the required number of hours - just like the adult graduates - you receive a certificate at a graduation ceremony and your family can attend.

To find out more approach your CU school coordinator or contact us:

[CU.Tasmania@utas.edu.au](mailto:CU.Tasmania@utas.edu.au)

## Guess the country?



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## CU students, we need your help

Every year Children's University Tasmania wants to know what we are doing well, and what we can do better.

We are inviting you to give us your opinions by filling out a

short [survey](#). For more information contact Megan on [megan.lang@utas.edu.au](mailto:megan.lang@utas.edu.au) or by phoning 03 6226 8331.

Consent is required from a parent or carer.

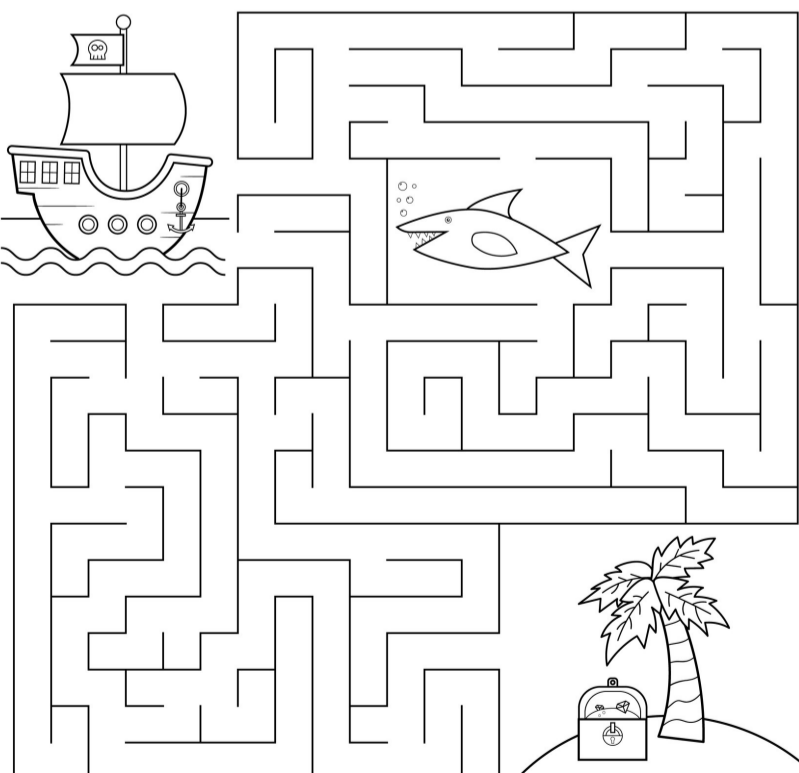
## Learning fun with a bit of a twist

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"During the next few weeks, there will be some things that we are used to doing that might change," Professor Brown said.

"We won't be meeting as many people face to face, or joining in our after school activities.

"But, if we work together as a community, we can all learn to do things a little bit differently."



## Find your way through the maze challenge

Once you have completed the above puzzle, your challenge is to design your own maze.

Come up with own theme and be creative. You could draw your maze or use other materials such as blocks.

Remember just like solving a maze, designing one takes time and patience.

CU members, you can earn stamps in their passports for this challenge, at the discretion of your School Coordinator.

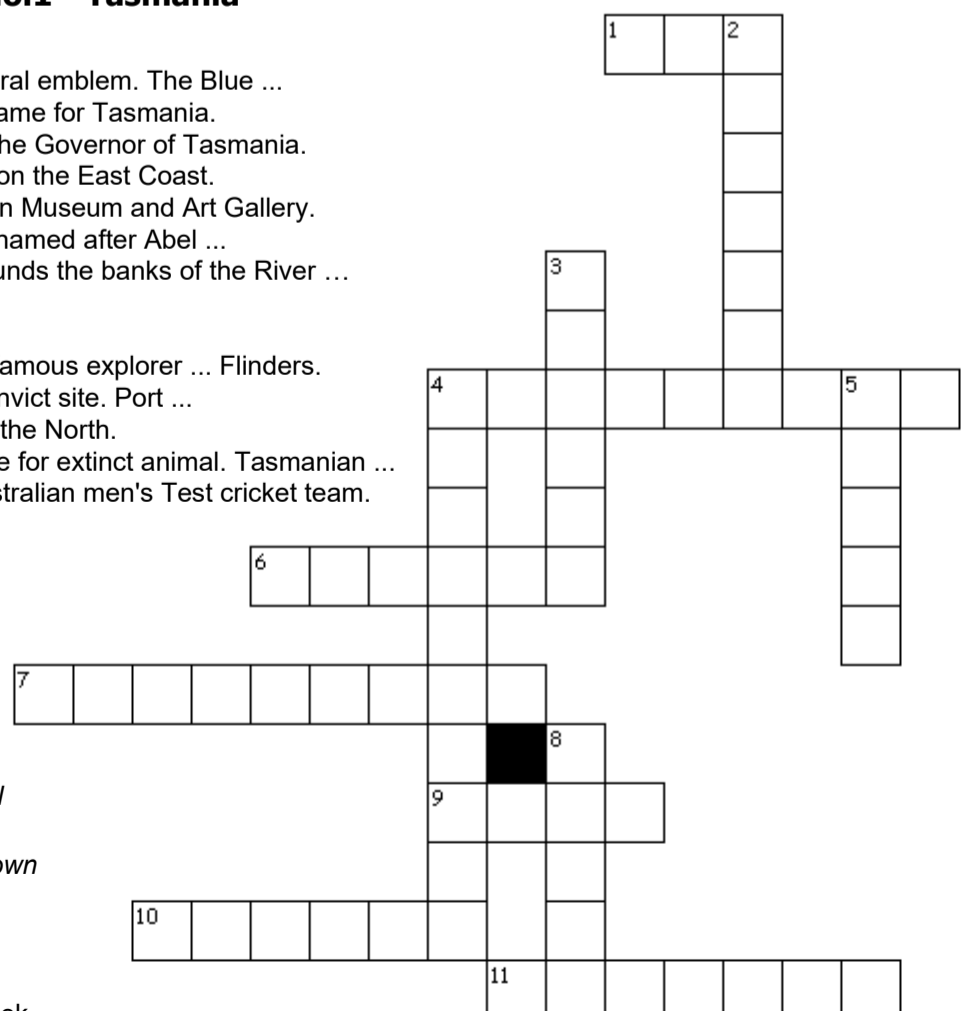
## Crossword No.1 - Tasmania

### Across

1. Tasmania's floral emblem. The Blue ...
4. Palawa kani name for Tasmania.
6. Last name of the Governor of Tasmania.
7. National Park on the East Coast.
9. The Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery.
10. Tasmania is named after Abel ...
11. Hobart surrounds the banks of the River ...

### Down

2. First name of famous explorer ... Flinders.
3. Tasmanian convict site. Port ...
4. Largest city in the North.
5. Common name for extinct animal. Tasmanian ...
8. Captain of Australian men's Test cricket team.



For an additional challenge, try producing your own crossword.

Solution next week.