Settlers Primary School’s Stargazing Night is this Monday, November 16th!

All students and their families are welcome to attend. There is no charge for this event. **As this is an after school activity, all students that attend the event must be supervised by an adult at all times.**

The P&C will be running a sausage sizzle on the evening. Details below.

If the weather is looking too cloudy, the Stargazing evening will be postponed to Tuesday, November 17th. If this happens, I will make an announcement on the school PA and send a notification to parents via the Skoolbag app.

**EVENT DETAILS:**

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<th>Date:</th>
<th>Monday November 16th (Week 6, Term 4)</th>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> The alternative day of Tuesday November 17th will be used if conditions are too cloudy</td>
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<td>Time:</td>
<td>6:30pm – 8:30pm (you can attend for the whole event or just stay for part of the time)</td>
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**What to Bring:**
- Blankets / sleeping bags – so you can lie back and enjoy the show
- iPads / tablets / smartphones – there are some great stargazing apps you can download that show you the features you are observing and labels them for you, e.g. Google Skymaps. Make sure the brightness settings on your devices are turned down to the lowest setting before use
- Cash to buy a sausage sizzle: **Sausage Sizzle: $2.50, Soft Drinks: $1.50**
- Telescopes – if you have a telescope at home and are happy to bring it down that would be great

**Should I bring a torch?**

Torches can cause temporary blindness if they are shone into a telescope when it is in use. **Primarily for this reason, children should not have torches.** Also, white light destroys our “night vision” so astronomers only use low power red light torches. **If there is a safety requirement to have a torch, I recommend only parents have torches. Cover torch beams with red cellophane where possible.**

Sarah Beahan
Science Specialist Teacher

**★IMPORTANT★**

**STUDENTS WHO DO NOT HAVE A RESPONSIBLE ADULT ACCOMPANYING THEM WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO REMAIN AT THIS EVENT**