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**February 2018**

**Curiosity Fair at the Research Institute for Aging!**

**Dear students and families,**

On Friday May 4, 2018, the Schlegel-UW Research Institute for Aging (RIA) will be hosting a “Curiosity Fair” in partnership with University Gates long-term care home. This event will bring together people of all ages (from children to older adults) and encourage an interest in research.

The RIA is currently looking for students at North Lake Woods (JK to grade 8) to present projects at the Curiosity Fair. Students are encouraged to re-use their projects from the Art, Science & Tech Showcase. They may also choose to create something new.

On the back of this letter is some information about the event, including how to sign up, and who to contact for more information.

Thank you for considering this opportunity!

Sincerely,  
The RIA team!

### What is the Curiosity Fair?

The Curiosity Fair is a “science fair” that will bring together people of all ages, from young students to older adults. Participants will present fun projects or posters on any topic they are curious about. Participants will be of all ages; from junior kindergarten to university to retirement age!

### Why have a Curiosity Fair?

The goals of the fair are: (1) to spark a curiosity in research and in the world around us; and (2) to connect people of different generations through shared experience.

### When and where will the Fair be held?

The Curiosity Fair will take place on **Friday May 4<sup>th</sup>** from **1 – 4pm** at the **Research Institute for Aging (250 Laurelwood Drive, Waterloo)**.

We understand that this is a PD day. We are encouraging families to spend time together at the Fair and learn something new! **Direct supervision will not be provided.**

### What should my project look like?

Your project can be as simple as a Bristol board poster. You can include an interactive display if you wish, or any form of technology (e.g., an iPad with a movie on it).

The topic can be anything you are interested in, from science to geography to history to art. Projects must be geared towards people of all ages!

### How do I sign up?

A sign-up sheet will be available at the *NLW Art, Science & Technology Showcase* (Thursday, March 1, 2018). Interested students will then be contacted with further details.

### What else do I need to know?

During the Fair, presenters will be expected to stand by their project for at least part of the time. Participants will **not** be asked to do a formal presentation; they can simply answer questions as people walk by their project. Light snacks will be provided and fun participation awards will be presented!

### Who can I talk to, if I have questions?

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