

Contact call for newsletter articles

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It is once again time for me to call for input for the Semester 2, 2020 CONTACT publication. If you or your language network have news to share, successes to celebrate or any interesting resources or events that you would like to share with your languages teaching colleagues, please send them to me at prudence.roveta@ed.act.edu.au or contacteditor@mltaact.asn.au.

As we have also embarked on adventures in online and remote learning, I would love to build a collection of resources, handy tips and tricks and stories of things tried, tested and successful that may help us all enrich our teaching and learning engagement of students in the ACT. I know that I have had ample opportunity to both refresh and build my own personal skills and knowledge, as well as be amazed by colleagues near and far in developing a range of different learning opportunities for students and each other.

Given that we haven't had school trips and excursions/incursions you may think that there is less to share with the MLTA-ACT so I would like you to consider the following ideas:

- Photos of any classwork or language groups at your schools;
- A brief "Meet the teacher" - perhaps one or two teachers would like to provide a 'bio' with their name, brief language educator experience, why they chose to teach a language;
- One-liners where teachers from your network give one sentence about:
 - something they did well or enjoyed during online learning
 - what they love about teaching a language
 - a goal that they may have for the coming year
- How to say a common phrase in your language, e.g. Bonjour, comment ça va? = Hello, how are you?
- Some funny autocorrections that occur with your language, e.g. trois (3) always gets changed to "trios" etc.

I would appreciate receiving all contributions by Week 7 of this term. Pictures can be sent to me as individual images or within documents. Please ensure that your contribution is not overly formatted, as this will assist me in being better able to format it for our publication. Word documents or Google Docs work best - thank you!

I look forward to receiving and reading how everyone across the ACT are going.

Best wishes for a fabulous Term 4!

Thank you,

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