

Wednesday 7 December 2022 (Week 9, Term 4)

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8 December – Stage 3 Picnic Day
12 December – K-2 and Stage 2 Picnic Day
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14 December – Performance Showcase
15 December – 1-6 Presentation Assembly

## Principal's Message

### Thought for the Week...

*"What kind of competitor sees the finish line  
and slows down...always finish strong."*

~ Gary Blair ~

## Celebrating a great year!

It's hard to believe that it is nearly the end of the 2022 school year, but we can definitely feel the buzz at LPS!

2022 has fortunately been a less disrupted school year and a positive and successful one for the LPS community.

I would like to acknowledge the impressive work that has been done by our wonderful teaching, administrative and support staff. The compassion, professionalism and commitment they have demonstrated has been outstanding. Congratulations to our amazing students. I am so proud of each and every one of you and feel privileged to watch you learn and grow each day.

Thank you to our hardworking P & C and numerous parents and community volunteers for your ongoing support of our school.

Thank you to all of our parents and carers for working in partnership with us and entrusting us with the care of your children.

Wishing everyone within the LPS community a safe and enjoyable holiday period!

## **Staff Update**

Sadly, our beloved Ms Carolynne Wilkie, will be leaving us at the end of this year and relocating down the coast.

Ms Wilkie has been a highly valued and respected member of the LPS team and has made an outstanding contribution to the school as an esteemed leader, educator and colleague. Ms Wilkie will be greatly missed but we look forward to keeping in touch with her and wish her all the best with her next journey. On behalf of the staff, students and parents at LPS, thank you Ms Wilkie, for your outstanding work at LPS!

## **Performance Showcase**

The new date for our Performance Showcase will be Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm in the hall. The following performing arts groups will be performing:

- Junior, Intermediate and Senior Dance Troupes
- String Instrument Groups
- Training Band
- Concert Band

Band students will have a rehearsal this Friday (which will also be the final week of band lessons). Please ensure that they have their sheet music and instrument for their performance next Wednesday.

Dance students will have a rehearsal next Tuesday.

We look forward to parents joining us to celebrate a great year for our performing arts groups. As is our normal procedure, please enter via the front office from 1.45pm onwards ready to be seated for a 2pm start.

## **Presentation Day Assemblies**

We are looking forward to celebrating student effort, growth and achievement at our presentation day assemblies.

### **Kindergarten Graduation and Presentation Day Assembly**

This year, Kindergarten will have a separate graduation and presentation day ceremony on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December starting at 9.15am in the hall. Our Kinder students will be joined by their Year 5 Buddies.

All parents and carers are welcome. As is our normal procedure, please enter via the front office from 9.00am onwards ready to be seated for a 9.15am start.

We kindly request all Kindergarten students to wear full school summer uniform on this date.

### **Years 1-6 Presentation Day Assembly**

On Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> December we will hold our Presentation Day Assembly for Years 1-6. Doors will open from 9.15am, ready for a 9.30am start in the hall. As is our normal procedure, please enter via the front office.

All Years 1-6 students are required to wear full school summer uniform and black shoes.

## **Year 5 Leadership Day**

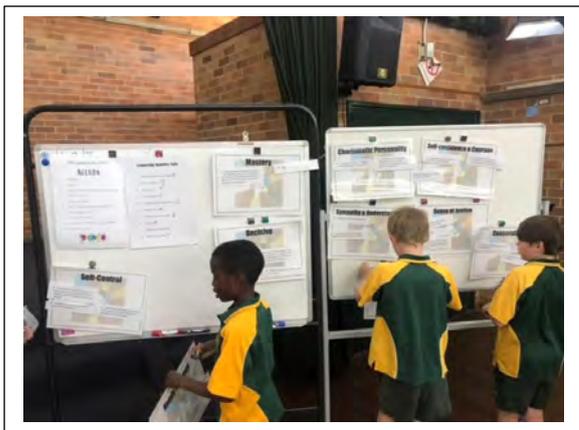
Congratulations to our Year 5 students who recently participated in 'Leadership Day'.

Led by Mrs Harris and Mr Walker, our Year 5 students experienced a range of collaborative activities aimed at developing their understanding of what qualities are found in effective leaders. They also heard from our current student executive about their roles and responsibilities and provided words of wisdom to their peers.

Our Year 5 cohort then nominated their peers for a role on the student executive team for 2023. The successful students who proceeded through to the voting process, prepared and delivered wonderful speeches articulating why the LPS student body should vote them for captain in 2023.

Well done to **Izabelah N, Lucia R, Lydia S, Liliana R, Lucian K, Ryan S, Zac P and Samuel W** who have been selected as the student executive in 2023! The outcome of the voting process to determine captains, vice captains and prefects will be announced at our Presentation Day Assembly on Thursday, 15th December.

Well done to all of our Year 5 students, who have embraced the mantra that not all leaders wear a badge or have a title. We look forward to all of our 2023 Year 6 students modelling positive leadership to their younger peers.



## **Congratulations to our Outgoing Student Executive Team!**

A huge thank you and congratulations to our 2022 student executive on the fine manner in which they have led their peers this year. We are proud of your achievements and thank you for your commitment to leading LPS. Well done: Aisha C-C, Ethan C-C, Georgia A, Riley T, Gabriella M, Marcus C, Allie T and Kieran F.



## **Well done to our debating teams!**

Last Wednesday, 30 November, our junior and senior debating teams had their final debate of the year. This round saw junior and senior teams debating against each other.

Congratulations to our LPS debaters on a wonderful year of growth and development as part of their involvement in the inter-school debating program. Thank you to Mrs Harris and Mrs McTackett for their hard work in guiding and supporting of our debating students.



## **Calendar Dates**

Included once again in this newsletter, is an overview of dates and activities coming up for the last two weeks of term, as well some important dates for Term 1, 2023 (dates are correct at time of printing). With this change, we ask that you arrange alternative care for your child on Monday 19 December.

## **2023 Enrolments**

To assist with our planning for 2023, if your child will not be returning to LPS next year, could you please inform the school in writing as soon as possible. Thank you.

## **Returning Late in 2023?**

Please notify the office if your child will be returning late in 2023 so we can make appropriate accommodations. Extended leave during school terms requires the permission of the Principal.

## **Class Placement 2023**

If you have any specific information that the school needs to be aware of regarding your child's class placement for 2023, this needs to be put in writing and addressed to the Principal as soon as possible. Please be aware that requests for placement with specific teachers will not be considered except in exceptional circumstances.

If you provided information in relation to previous school years, please be aware that you will need to contact us again in relation to the 2023 school year as these considerations are looked at annually.

## **Painting and Maintenance Work - Update**

You may have noticed a lot of painting happening in the school at the moment. This work is part of our planned maintenance. Painting work continues throughout the school with our OOSH/band/sports storeroom building currently getting a revamp. The replacement of cupboards, benchtops and floor coverings in 5/6W has now commenced, with work to move to 5/6M next week.

## Are Your Contact Details Up to Date?

If your contact details are out of date or if you're not sure, please contact the school on 91539843 or via email [lugaro-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:lugaro-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) so we can update our records and can contact you quickly when we need to.

Please include parent/carer's name, address, phone numbers, email address and emergency contact details. Please remember to contact the school if any of these details or your circumstances change.

## Special Religious Education (SRE) and Special Education in Ethics (SEE)

Our school currently offers a number of options for students as part of our SRE and SEE programs which are facilitated by authorised, trained volunteers on Tuesday mornings at LPS. There has been interest in our school community for the provision of Islamic Special Religious Education. If you would like your child to participate in this SRE option in 2023, please indicate your interest on the note attached to this newsletter.

We are also seeking volunteers to train as ethics teachers so that we can continue to offer SEE to our students in 2023. Please see the attached flyer for further information.

## What are the Methods of Communication at LPS?

- Skoolbag App – please download the Skoolbag App from the App Store.  
Alerts about events, reminders are sent via this channel. The School Newsletter also gets sent to your Skoolbag app.
- School Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/lugarnopublic>  
The schedule for the week ahead gets posted here, as do reminders and posts about student achievements.
- School Website: [Home - Lugaro Public School \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/lugaro-p-school)  
Please note: all notes/correspondence and the newsletter are uploaded here for your reference. To access notes: Go to the "Notes" tab. Hard copies of notes usually get distributed on our Communication Day on Tuesday. K-2 students are encouraged to use the front pocket of their school bag for housing notes.

## **Lost Property**

Please check the lost property tub (outside the Library) for any lost items, including uniform, lunch containers and drink bottles, before next Friday. All items remaining after this date will be donated to the uniform shop to be sold as second-hand items, recycled or disposed of.

*Mrs Anastasiou*

## **Recycling Old Uniforms**

If you have any old school uniforms that you feel could not be donated to our second-hand uniform shop but don't want them going to land fill, please contact Jasmine Theophile (0432 288 110) who is happy to collect them and arrange for them to be recycled.

## **Library End of Year Update**

Thank you for all your amazing borrowing. Students have borrowed thousands of books this year! The library is now closed for annual stocktake so it would be helpful to have all books back as soon as possible. Thank you for your support and a great year of library!

*Mrs Dufty*

## **Stationery Requirement Lists**

Next Tuesday, stationery requirement lists will be sent home in readiness for students returning in 2023.

*Mrs Williams*

*Principal*

## Term 4 2022 – dates for diaries (dates are correct at time of printing)

### Week 9

- Thursday 8/12 – Stage 3 Picnic Day excursion
- Friday 9/12 – Principal’s Morning Tea K-2 – 10.15am; 3-6 10.30am

### Week 10

- Monday 12/12 – Picnic Days (K-2 and Stage 3 at school; Stage 2 at the movies)
- Tuesday 13/12 – Reports sent home to parents
- Tuesday 13/12 – Year 6 Farewell at Club Rivers
- Wednesday 14/12 – Kinder Graduation and Kinder Presentation Assembly 9.15am in the hall
- Wednesday 14/12 – PBL Playground Garnos reward for Term 4 winning house
- Wednesday 14/12 - Performance Showcase – 2pm in the hall
- Thursday 15/12 – Presentation Day Assembly for Years 1-6 9.30am in the hall
- Friday 16/12 – Talent Quest (students only), Year 6 Graduation Assembly (1.50pm in the hall) and Guard of Honour at approx. 2.40pm.
- Friday 16/12 - **Students’ last day.**

### Week 11

- Monday 19/12 – School Development Day – staff only
- Tuesday 20/12 – School Development Day – staff only

# 2023 Dates - Term 1

## Week 1

- Tuesday 24/1 – Uniform Shop will be open
- Thursday 26/1 – Public Holiday
- Friday 27/1 – Staff Development Day 1 – staff only

## Week 2

- Monday 30/1 – Staff Development Day 2 – staff only
- **Tuesday 31/1 – Students in Years 1-6 return**
- Wednesday 1/2 – Friday 3/2 – Kinder Best Start Assessment interviews

## Week 3

- **Monday 6/2 – Kinder students commence**
- Tuesday 7/2 – Swimming Carnival at Roselands Pool

## Week 7

- Wednesday 8/3 – GRIP Leadership Day – for student executive team

## Week 8

- Wednesday 15/3 – NAPLAN starts today (NAPLAN assessment window will be from 15/3/23 – 27/3/23)

# ***KIDS IN THE KITCHEN***

## **Christmas tree pizzas**

**Featured in:**

[Sandwich alternatives](#)

**Preparation time:** 25 minutes

**Cooking time:** 15 minutes

**Serves:** 8



1 serve of vegetables per pizza

**Diet and Allergies:**

Nut Free, Vegetarian



### **Ingredients**

4 small wholemeal pita bread  
180g tomato-based pizza sauce  
6 cherry tomatoes, sliced into rounds  
1 yellow capsicum, cut into triangles & 8 stars  
½ red capsicum, cut into strips  
½ green capsicum, cut into triangles  
4 black olives, sliced into rounds  
2 tsp Italian dried herbs  
4 tbsp reduced-fat cheese, grated

### **Method**

Preheat oven to 200°C.

Cut 2 tree shapes out of each pita bread with a Christmas tree shaped cookie cutter.

Place the pita trees onto a lined baking tray. Spread tomato pizza sauce over the base of each pita tree and arrange the ingredients like you're decorating a tree. Sprinkle with dried herbs and cheese.

Bake for 15 minutes or until golden and cooked.

**From the Cancer Council Healthy Lunch Box website <https://healthylunchbox.com.au/recipes>**

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# K-2 Fun Day



**When:** Monday 12th December 2022

**Where:** Lugarno Public School

**What:** K-2 students will be celebrating the end of year by enjoying a fun day together, full of games and activities with their teachers

**Dress:** mufti- All students should wear comfortable clothing with covered shoulders and closed shoes e.g. joggers.

**Bring:** recess, picnic lunch, sunscreen, hat, water bottle, picnic rug/towel, and movie snacks (optional) No nut products please.





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## Love, Learn, Live Islam

### What is Special Religious Education?

SRE is education provided to students in NSW public schools by authorised representatives of approved religious groups to students who have nominated that religion. These classes are commonly known as “scripture”.

### What is Islamic Special Religious Education?

Carrying the noble Islamic tradition of seeking knowledge and teaching, ISRE is an educational program dedicated to providing Islamic education to Muslim students in NSW Public Schools. ISRE is a project offered through the Islamic Council of NSW (ICNSW) and has been running since the early 1980’s. ICNSW is an approved Special Religious Education provider with the Department of Education and Communities.

### What is the Islamic Special Religious Education program?

The ISRE lessons provide a specifically tailored Islamic education program for Muslim students. The program is designed to teach Muslim students the basics of Islam, nurture them to develop a strong sense of identity and purpose and inspire them to lead productive lives by contributing positively to themselves, their communities, their society and the world. The ISRE program is non-sectarian and is provided to all Muslims students, regardless of their sectarian groupings. The aim of ISRE is to teach students to love, learn and live Islam.

### Where do I get further information?

For further information about the program can be found at [www.isre.org.au](http://www.isre.org.au).

You can also email us at [info@isre.org.au](mailto:info@isre.org.au) or call 029708 0880.

You’re also welcome to visit our office located at - 2/14 French Avenue Bankstown NSW 2200.





## Islamic Special Religious Education

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

I hope you receive this in the best of health and spirit. This letter is to inform you that Islamic Scripture lessons are now being arranged at **Lugarno Public School and are expected to commence in the 2023 school year.**

All students in NSW government schools are entitled to a session of religious education every week. The Islamic Special Religious Education (ISRE) body, authorised by the Islamic Council of NSW, is responsible for the coordination and management of Islamic education classes for primary students in NSW government schools.

Since its establishment, ISRE has aimed to educate Muslim students to better understand the teachings of Islam. We believe that by educating our children in Islamic knowledge, morals and ethics, we will develop in them a stronger connection with their creator, and hence a stronger connection with themselves, their school, community and with society as a whole.

We are currently servicing over 26,000 Muslim students across NSW. With interactive lesson plans, our scripture teachers are able to provide essential Islamic information to our children in exciting and enjoyable ways. We are glad to inform you your children now also have this opportunity to participate in Islamic scripture classes.

However, if the school does not have your permission to send your child to Muslim scripture classes, your child may miss out and be sent to non-scripture instead. In order for your child not to miss out on this invaluable opportunity, please fill out the section attached at the end of this letter and return it with your child to their teacher as soon as possible.

If you have any further questions regarding scripture classes, ISRE, or even as to becoming a scripture teacher, please contact us.

Sincerely,

ISRE

Islamic Council of NSW

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to participate in Islamic scripture classes.

I do not give permission for my child to participate in Islamic scripture classes.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022

## Ethics classes at Lugarno Public School in 2023

Dear parents and carers,

The demand for Ethics classes at LPS continues to grow.

We now need volunteers to step forward so that children in all stages who have expressed an interest in attending Ethics, can participate in the program in 2023. Please be aware the classes cannot run without volunteers. We need three volunteer teachers, one of whom will take on the role of coordinator.

**Could you or someone you know be an Ethics teacher for Lugarno Public School?** Don't be put off by the title – the job involves facilitating a discussion with the children! It's fun, interesting and insightful. Volunteers are provided with all the required materials, including discussion points, to run the half-hour class each week.

Ethics teachers receive full (free) training by Primary Ethics consisting of a two day workshop and short online modules. Curriculum and access to teaching resources is provided. Suitable volunteers have an interest in developing children's critical thinking skills and must be available at 9:00am-9:30am and/or 9:30am-10:00am on Tuesday each week.

In Ethics classes, children learn how to think logically, disagree respectfully and support their arguments with evidence, rather than act according to blind habit or peer pressure.

Children discuss topics such as:

- Imagining how others feel
- How do we treat living things?
- What is laziness?
- How do we disagree in a respectful way?
- Fairness

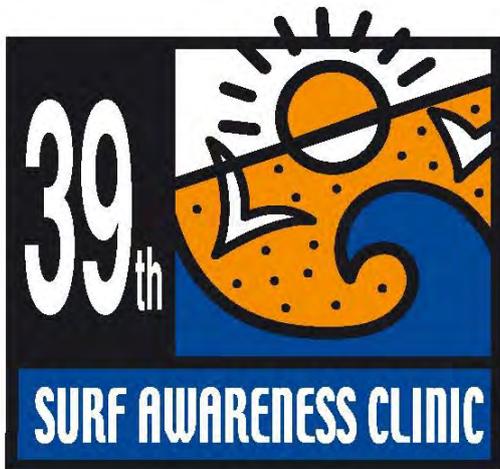
If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit [www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au) and/or contact me via [nutrition@thefoodexpert.com.au](mailto:nutrition@thefoodexpert.com.au)

Hanan Saleh  
Ethics Coordinator

Lugarno Public School  
Old Forest Road  
Lugarno NSW 2210

# 39<sup>th</sup> TRADIES SURF AWARENESS CLINIC

## Elouera Surf Life Saving Club



ELOUERA S.L.S.C.

### Benefiting the Community Together

The 39th Tradies Surf Awareness Clinic for children 7 to 12 years of age, is a five-day clinic held at Elouera Beach, Cronulla. The clinic is run from Monday 16th to Friday 20th January 2023, commencing at 8:45am and finishing at 12:00pm daily. Activities include surf swimming, body boarding, nipper board riding as well as learning surf and sun safety. The cost of the five-day clinic is \$60.00 (\$70.00 after 31/12/22).

To be eligible to participate in the clinic, each child must be able to swim 50m unaided, a test swim will be conducted at Caringbah Leisure Centre, Jacaranda Road, Caringbah on Friday 13th January 2023 from 9:00am to 10:30am. The 50m swim competency test is a condition of acceptance of applications to participate in the clinic. For further information, please email [sac@elouera.com](mailto:sac@elouera.com).



REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

[Go to 39th Tradies Surf Awareness Clinic - Elouera Surf Life Saving Club](#)





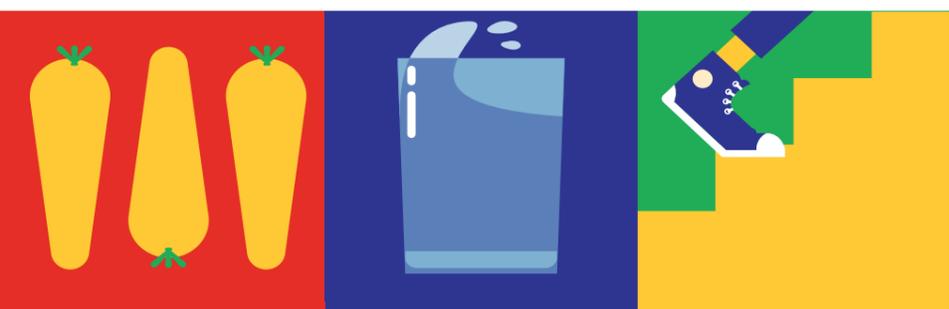
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# GERRIC for Gifted Students Program

## Helping bright young minds thrive

January 2023

Online & on-campus



9-13 January 2023



Online



UNSW Campus, Kensington



9:00am - 3:00pm

We are excited to announce that our GERRIC Student Programs will return in January 2023! Our Scientia programs will be run both online and on-campus to provide students with the choice of what works best for them. This is a school holiday program that expands the minds of bright, inquisitive individuals looking for an intellectual challenge that is more demanding and more fun than they may sometimes experience at school.

All courses are 3-day workshops. Registration will be available from 10 November 2022.

### Junior Scientia: Years 3 - 6

The Junior Scientia program is designed for gifted and talented primary school students in Years 3-6. To participate in the program, students will select one three-day workshop from a range of options.

All workshops are developed and presented by experienced teachers who are qualified or experienced in gifted education. They possess the expertise and skills to encourage the interests and pique the curiosity of gifted children.

### Scientia Challenge: Years 7 - 10

The Scientia Challenge program features a range of exciting workshops taught over three days designed for gifted and talented high school students in Years 7-10.

Developed and led by practising experts, the workshops follow a university-style investigative structure with intellectually-stimulating content. With the level of study aimed two years higher than the students' grade level, these dynamic workshops offer gifted students a rigorous and challenging program.



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GEORGES RIVER LIBRARIES



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Monday 5 December 2022  
11am-12pm | All Ages | Free  
Clive James Library, Kogarah

The Kogarah Concert Band's clarinet quartet will help you celebrate Christmas with a swing in your step.

Light refreshments will be provided.



## CHINESE TOUR AT THE LIBRARY

Tues 13 December 2022 | 10am-12pm | 16+ | Free | Hurstville Library

Join Hurstville Library staff for a free guided tour of the library in Chinese.

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## MEDIA LAB PROGRAMS

Create an Illuminated Wearable  
Tues 6 December | 5.30pm-7.30pm  
Learn to design and cut fabric and integrate responsive electronics.

Alternative Photography – Cyanotype Printing  
Sat 10 Dec | 10:30 am-12:30pm  
Create beautiful cyanotype prints with a simple analogue photographic process.



## SOUNDS INSIDE #2: RAINBOW CHAN

Wednesday 7 December 2022  
7pm | Free  
Hurstville Library

Rainbow Chan is a vocalist, producer and multi-disciplinary artist who has built a reputation as one of the most innovative musicians in Australia.



## KINDNESS HEART WORKING BEE

Wednesday 7 December 2022  
4pm - 5.30pm | All Ages | Free  
Clive James Library, Kogarah

Learn how to make a pocket Kindness Heart at our sewing bee and donate a heart to someone experiencing loneliness or isolation

## LIBRARY OPERATING HOURS DEC-JAN

Hurstville and Clive James Library, Kogarah opening hours.

25 - 27 December 2022: CLOSED  
28 - 30 December 2022: 9am-5pm  
31 December 2022: 10am-4pm  
1 - 2 January 2023: CLOSED  
3 - 6 January 2023: 9am-5pm

Penshurst, Oatley and South Hurstville Libraries will be closed 25 December 2022 - Friday 6 January 2023

All Libraries will resume regular operating hours from 7 January 2023.

# Children and Youth Programs at the library.



## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

1 December 2022 - 31 January 2023  
For ages 0-16 year olds.

Discover the world of books and join the Georges River Library 2022 Summer Reading Challenge! [Register online!](#)

For your first 20 books collect a small prize and for every 20 books you read, you will receive an entry into our prize draw to win prizes valued up to \$100.

Join us for the Summer Reading Challenge launch and make your own trading card.  
[Thursday 1 December](#) | 4pm-5pm | Free  
Hurstville Library

## D.I.W.O TAKE HOME KITS

Available from 19 December  
Collect from Clive James and  
Hurstville Libraries

### Make a Refractive Telescope

Explore how lenses and mirrors are used by assembling your own version of a refractive telescope at home.

### Make a light up paper mask

Learn the basics of electronics and model making to create your own light up mask.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

### Aerogami Planes

Fri 20 Jan - Hurstville Library  
Tues 24 Jan - Clive James Library  
Wed 25 Jan - Penshurst Library

Build different types of paper planes and discover which design is the most aerodynamic.

### Character Illustration

Thurs 19 January - Oatley Library  
Fri 20 January - Penshurst Library  
Mon 23 Jan - Sth Hurstville Library

Get creative and learn how to illustrate your own characters.

### Escape Room Challenge

Wed 18 January | 10am and 11.30am  
Clive James Library, Kogarah

Do you have what it takes to escape? Follow the clues to open the chest which holds the key to your escape!

### Make a Clay Trinket Dish

Tues 17 January | 10.30am-12.30pm  
Hurstville Library | \$8.00

Build a small trinket dish and create stencils using a Cricut machine.

### Learn Stop Motion Animation

Mon 23 January | 10.30am-12.30pm  
Hurstville Library | \$8.00

Make your own clay model and bring it to life using stop-motion animation!

## RAISING READERS COLLECTION

Raising Readers is a collection of children's books covering common early learning and childhood social development themes, specially selected and bundled, for your convenience.

Each pack contains 5 picture books covering a specific theme including:

- Starting preschool / school
- Toilet training
- Sex education and body privacy
- plus many more!

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## LOTE4KIDS

LOTE4Kids is an online children's resource that allows kids to enjoy the magic of digital books in LOTE (Languages Other Than English) from the comfort of their own home. There are titles in over 50 languages to choose from.

You can also watch each LOTE title translated and narrated in English to continue your child's reading and literacy development.

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