

A Tradition of Excellence

# Grafton Public School Newsletter



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## Happy Holidays

Today, Thursday the 16th of December will be the last day for students for 2021! Year 1-6 students return in 2022 on Tuesday the 1st of February. Our 2022 Kindergarten children will attend for their Best Start Assessments as scheduled. On Thursday 3rd February and Friday 4th February Kindergarten students will start school at 9.30am and finish their day at 2.30pm. From Monday 7th February, normal school times will apply to Kindergarten children.



Our Year 6 farewell Dinner was held on Tuesday night and it was a real red carpet event! Students and teachers enjoyed a fabulous night together to celebrate finishing their primary school years. There were plenty of stories from years gone by and a real buzz of excitement about what the future holds for this amazing group of students.

Well done to all our Year 6 students. It truly has been a pleasure watching you grow through the years! Goodbye and all the best in High School!



## From our Principal

**Dymock's Book Bank**—Grafton Public School has been successful in applying to be part of the Dymock's Book Bank. This amazing program supports children in Years 3–6 from priority primary schools throughout Australia. Students select a brand-new book each term (four per year), every year, for at least three years. Students are encouraged to share their books with their classmates and take the books home to keep, at the end of every term. The students choose their books from a carefully curated list, which enables them to choose books they are interested in, which engages them with their learning. Students in grades 2-5 will select their first two books before the end of the year in order to receive a book at the beginning of 2022. There are 14 schools running Book Bank programs around Australia and Grafton Public School is excited to join this program in 2022.



**Mary St School Crossing Supervisor**—We are very excited to announce in 2022 there will be a School Crossing Supervisor at the Mary St crossing every morning and afternoon. Safety at this crossing has been a major concern for staff and our P&C and we are extremely grateful to have been successful in our latest application. Our local Clarence member, Chris Gulaptis MP visited our school last week to make the announcement and meet some of our students.



### **Mary St Kiss and Drop Zone**

Over the summer holidays the CVC will be constructing a Kiss and Drop Zone in Mary Street. More information about this and how it will operate will be sent out to parents when this is completed. A huge thank you to Mr Howard Avery, our P&C and the CVC for this positive improvement of road safety around our school

### **Presentation Day**

Last Tuesday we held our annual Presentation Day assembly at The Saraton Theatre where we celebrated numerous academic and sporting successes and recognised the improvements and personal growth that many of our students have made. We also acknowledged our graduating Year 6 students and welcomed our new Leadership Team for 2022. I'd personally like to congratulate all our award recipients.

### **Last Week of the School Year**

This week is the last week of school for the 2021 school year and it has been a busy week! On Monday the students enjoyed their Green Level reward, our Year 6 students celebrated their Year 6 Farewell on Tuesday night, School reports went home with students on Wednesday and then today, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December will officially be the last day for all students.

Our students have been amazingly resilient this year and have adapted to all the changes throughout the year. I hope all our students and their families have a safe and happy holiday season and the staff at GPS look forward to seeing our students in the new year. I wish all of our Year 6 students every success at their various High Schools next year.

Michelle McDonagh  
**Principal**



Recently 5TE participated in a project to make something from recycled materials. Oscar made a Thong-a-Phone and generously donated it to our Support Unit for the children to play with at break times. Oscar kindly demonstrated how to play it and it was a hit with the students.



This week our 2021 and 2022 student leadership team shared a morning tea with senior executive and shared their best experiences as leaders and their ideas of changes that could be made in the future. Our youth have great ideas and our future is in safe hands!



## Presentation Day

Last week we held our annual Presentation Day at the Saraton Theatre. We were so proud to present students with a range of awards and announce our 2022 school leadership team. Pictured below are just some of our very deserved students, Ashleigh Bulmer (DUX), Chase Chapman (Gold), Matthew Hoade (Gold) and Naithanial Lasker (Gold). More pictures are available on our facebook page.



We are extremely proud of all the sustainability initiatives at Grafton Public School and excited to win the schools award again in 2021. Bike Bus, vegetable gardens, composting, worm farms, recycling, bread tags for wheelchairs, bike mechanics. Thank you to Mr Avery for submitting our application and implementing some of these initiatives.



Our students have enjoyed a range of end of year activities. Our newly crowned Jacaranda Queen even popped in to visit our kindergarten students while enjoying their Teddy Bears Picnic!



The children of Grafton Public School exemplified the Christmas spirit by 'gifting' bikes to friends who didn't have a bike. Mr Avery busied himself by overhauling and restoring all the bikes before giving them to their very surprised and excited new owners. That's what friends are for.



GPS has a great team of people behind the scenes that do amazing things to support our staff and students. Just some we would like to mention are our wonderful canteen ladies, volunteers and school cleaners. We thank and appreciate our P & C team who turn up to meetings and among other things, work together to organise fundraisers that provide valuable resources for our school and students. We thank our groundsman who is always on hand to fix things and keep our playgrounds looking amazing. You are all appreciated and we are grateful!

*Merry Christmas*  
- HAPPY HOLIDAYS -



# CLARENCE YOUTH

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

WEEK 1

### DROP IN & LASER SKIRMISH

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – 4:30pm to 6:30pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### SKATE WORKSHOP

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – 10am – 12noon  
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & TIE DYE

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm to 5pm  
Out of the Box, Grafton Skate Park  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### ART WITH JIMMY WAGS & TULLI STEVENS

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January – 2pm – 4pm  
Nymboida Hall, Nymboida  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & TIE DYE

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5:30pm  
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka  
Booking essential – 6640 3800

### LGBTQI+ YOUTH DROP IN

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5pm  
Changing Lanes Shed, Grafton  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### DESIGN & PRINT WORKSHOP

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January – 2pm to 4pm  
New School of Arts Hall, South Grafton  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### YOUTH SERVICES DROP IN – DODGEBALL & MEGA JENGA

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm – 6:30pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 0447 440 718

### DROP IN & TIE DYE

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5:30pm  
Turners Beach, Yamba  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

For more information and updates, check out our Facebook pages 'Clarence Valley Youth Hubs' or 'Clarence Valley Youth'. The current COVID-19 situation has limited our capacity for numbers, so these activities will have restrictions. Please call 0428 420 908 for more details and to make a booking. Outdoor activities will be postponed in the case of wet weather. Programs proudly sponsored by:



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## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

WEEK 2

### DESIGN & PRINT WORKSHOP

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January – 2pm to 4pm  
Wooli Community Hall, Wooli  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & HANDBALL COMP

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm to 5pm  
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### CULTURAL DAY

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January – 11am to 1pm  
Baryulgil Community Hub, Baryulgil  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & HANDBALL COMP

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January – 4:30pm to 6pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### DROP IN & ART WITH JIMMY WAGS & TULLI STEVENS

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm to 5pm  
Out of the Box, Grafton Skate Park  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### GRAFFITI ART

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January – 2pm to 4pm  
Bailey Park, Ulmarra  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### LGBTQI+ YOUTH DROP IN

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5pm  
Changing Lanes Shed, Grafton  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### DROP IN & HANDBALL COMP

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5:30pm  
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### YOUTH SERVICES DROP IN – CHALK ART WORKSHOP

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm to 6:30pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 0447 440 718

### SURF & CULTURAL DAY

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January – 10am to 1pm  
Turners Beach, Yamba  
Booking essential – 0428 420 908

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WEEK 3

### COOKING WORKSHOP

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January – 10am to 12noon  
Nymboida Hall, Nymboida  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & CAR SKILLS

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm to 5pm  
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### LASER SKIRMISH

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January – 2pm to 4pm  
Lawrence Memorial Park, Lawrence  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & CAR SKILLS

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January – 4:30pm to 6pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### SKATE WORKSHOP

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January – 10am to 12noon  
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & CAR SKILLS

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm to 5pm  
Out of the Box, Grafton Skate Park  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### LGBTQI+ YOUTH DROP IN

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5pm  
Changing Lanes Shed, Grafton  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### DROP IN & CAR SKILLS

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5:30pm  
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### LASER SKIRMISH

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January – 11am – 1pm  
Baryulgil Community Hub, Baryulgil  
Booking essential – 0428 420 908

### YOUTH SERVICES DROP IN – CRICKET, BBQ, MEGA CONNECT 4

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January – 3:30pm to 6:30pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 0447 440 718

### DROP IN & COOKING

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January – 4pm – 5:30pm  
Treelands Drive Community Centre, Yamba  
Booking essential – 0428 420 908

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FREE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE 12-18!

WEEK 4

### ART WITH JIMMY WAGS & TULLI STEVENS

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January – 2pm to 4pm  
Lawrence Hall, Lawrence  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & SOCCER SKILLS + GAMES

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January – 3:30pm to 5pm  
Coutts Crossing Skate Park, Coutts Crossing  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### LASER SKIRMISH

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 6pm  
Outside Minnie Water Hall, Minnie Water  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### DROP IN & SOCCER SKILLS + GAMES

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January – 4:30pm to 6pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### GRAFFITI ART

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January – 2pm to 4pm  
Copmanhurst Skate Park, Copmanhurst  
Bookings essential – 0428 420 908

### LGBTQI+ YOUTH DROP IN

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5pm  
Changing Lanes Shed, Grafton  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### DROP IN & SOCCER SKILLS + GAMES

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January – 4pm to 5:30pm  
Iluka Skate Park, Iluka  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

### YOUTH SERVICES DROP IN – SOCCER & MEGA JENGA

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January – 3:30pm to 6:30pm  
Townsend Park, Townsend  
Bookings essential – 0447 440 718

### DROP IN & SOCCER SKILLS + GAMES

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January – 4pm to 5:30pm  
Turners Beach, Yamba  
Bookings essential – 6640 3800

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## Community Notices

For  
Ages  
5-15

MAKE IT

STICK IT

DRAW IT

Thursday December 23rd  
5.00pm-7.00pm

@ Grafton  
Presbyterian Church  
Hall

116 Oliver Street



An activity of Grafton Presbyterian Church



[www.facebook.com/GraftonPresbyterian/](https://www.facebook.com/GraftonPresbyterian/)

\$12 covers all materials for two quality crafts  
Includes afternoon tea and Christmas Story message.

RSVP by: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021  
SMS: James Annesley 0402 354 099 or  
Email: [satinfinish27@gmail.com](mailto:satinfinish27@gmail.com)



Minnie Water- Wooli SLSC

# Nippers

## IS BACK !

### Join anytime!

SUNDAY- Activities start from  
9.30am-12.00

Surf Club at Minnie Water Beach

**Make new friends, improve confidence, knowledge  
and learn skills.**

*Training the Lifesavers of Tomorrow*

**Enquiries -** Junior Activities Coordinator: [jac@mwwslsc.org.au](mailto:jac@mwwslsc.org.au)

**M: 04527 426 977**



## Come along to our free Aboriginal bicycle safety workshop

Register your interest to participate in a bicycle safety workshop that includes bicycle checking by qualified staff.

**Afternoon tea will be provided.**

**Where:** Grafton PCYC  
300 Powell St, Grafton NSW

**Date:** Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
**Time:** 9.30am – 12.30pm

Free bicycle checks and minor repairs  
Learn new cycling skills  
Covid-19 Safety Protocols Apply



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[transport.nsw.gov.au](https://transport.nsw.gov.au)



# 2021 SUMMER VACATION CARE PROGRAM

## Friday 17 December to Monday 31 January

Before School, After School & Vacation Care for the North Coast



### CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone: 0466 306 220 or 6658 9757

Email: [admin@communityoosh.com.au](mailto:admin@communityoosh.com.au)

Web: [www.communityoosh.com.au](http://www.communityoosh.com.au)



*"In a world gone mad with rules & regulations, we help kids be kids"*

### HOURS OF OPERATION

7.00am – 6.00pm

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

During School Holidays & Pupil Free days

On all excursion days children are required to be at the centre no later than 8:45am and will return by approx. 4:00pm.

Transportation is provided in our bus or van depending on bookings.

Risk Assessments available upon request.

### "WHAT TO BRING EVERYDAY"

All Children are required to bring a hat, water bottle, sun-screen, appropriate footwear and healthy lunch / snacks.

In winter warm clothes and socks are required each day.

In summer swimmers, sun/rash shirts, swim aids (if required), towel and plastic bag are required each day.

Personal electronic devices are prohibited.

Please label all clothes. Spending money is optional!

### BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR VACATION CARE

To book please scan the QR code to be taken directly to our vacation care bookings area where you then select the centre you need and complete the form. Alternatively, go to our website at [www.communityoosh.com.au](http://www.communityoosh.com.au) and click the purple box titled "Vacation Care Bookings & Program"



**VACATION CARE BOOKINGS CANNOT BE TAKEN OVER THE PHONE OR BY TEXT MESSAGE.  
OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO BOOKINGS BEING ACCEPTED.**

Your booking requests will be confirmed by email. Please check that you receive the confirmation from us within 2 working days of submitting. The minimum notice required to cancel a Vacation Care booking where no charge will apply is 1:30pm the working day before your booking. Please note that weekends and Public Holidays are Non Working Days. All bookings not cancelled by this time will be charged at full fee.

**FEES:** Depending on the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) and activity hours a parent is entitled too, the out of pocket costs to parents can range from a few dollars to the full rate shown below. To find out more about the Child Care Subsidy please visit at <https://www.education.gov.au/ChildCarePackage>. The table below shows the full fee with no Child Care Subsidy along with an example of the out of pocket expense where the highest rate of Child Care Subsidy is applied.

**Your fee will vary depending on your own CCS rate and activity hours you receive.** Unlike some providers, Community OOSH Services strive to put you and your children first, providing the highest quality care for the lowest possible price. Please note excursions are at an additional cost and vary depending on the excursion. The cost on each excursion are shown on the next page and these costs will have your CCS % applied to substantially reduce excursion costs.









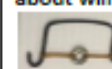



2020 Fee Structure at Full Rate before the application of any CCS %		Example of Approximate out of pocket expenses at 85% CCS	
Vacation Care	\$58	Vacation Care	\$11.60
Sample Additional Excursion Cost	\$16	Sample Excursion CCS Applied	\$3.20



## Community Notices

### COMMUNITY OOSH SERVICES – SUMMER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES SUMMARY (N.B. NEW FORMAT)

Welcome to the end of the year that was, or wasn't the case may be, in these ridiculous times we live in! BREATHE! With our eyes focussed on the future and clawing our way back to 'normality' as much as possible, we are again planning a Summer Holiday Program jam packed with excitement, adventure, and fun! As the holiday period is extended this year, we find ourselves stuck for space and are trialling a 'WEEKLY SUMMARY' format to give you an idea of the 'WHAT & WHERE'S'. The specific 'WHEN & HOWS' for each centre, including specific dates for each activity, are available in detail on our website and booking pages for you to read and enjoy. Finally, we look forward to meeting some new friends, particularly our new 'ready for big school' Kindies, as well as welcoming back all our regular friends and faces, to enjoy a fantastic summer of fun! Until then, stay safe & see you soon.

Private Schools Early Finish Additional Days (Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Thur 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec)	
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Dates dependent on the specific school's end of term dates</i></p> <p>Congratulations friends! I don't know how you did it, but while the other schools are slaving away, you have scored yourselves an extra 7 days of holiday fun! We're going to fill your days with some "Formula 1 Fun" of billy-cart races and bike and scooter pursuits, warm you up with some "Ten Pin Bowling" and "Sausage Sizzling Scavenger Hunt" action and then cool you down with some "Wild Water World" fun! Add a splash of colour with "Rainbow Days", some mind-bending "Origami Action" and a trip to the Movies to see why "Ron Goes Wrong" and you'll have earned yourself a rest another holiday!</p>	
<p><b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec &amp; WEEK 1</b> Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Dec</p>	<p>As the holidays begin in earnest for everyone, we're looking to knuckle-down and have some serious fun in the build up to Christmas! Your In-Centre days will be spent immersing yourself in the "Wizards World of Harry Potter", channelling your artistic genius to produce "Colour-Pop Creations" and winding up your Christmas preparations on Christmas Eve in a hectic "Christmas Countdown!" Around the town we'll be hitting the slides at the "Big Banana Water Park," heading to the movies to learn the magical Santa secrets of "A Boy Called Christmas" and best of all... making our first visit to the "JETTY CARNIVAL!" Yep... it's back and we've got it all to ourselves!</p>  
<p><b>WEEK 2</b> Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Dec – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Dec</p> <p>Closed 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>Santa has been and gone and you've now found out whether you were naughty or nice! Even though this is only a short week due to the way the public holidays fall, we're still going to fill it with fun! Out and about we'll spend a relaxing "Day at the Pool" and tackle the slippery sliding fun of the infamous "Buccaneer!" We'll also do what John, Paul, Ringo and George told us to do and set out on a "Magical Mystery Tour" taking you to places unknown in the search for treasures and great prizes! (HINT- I like the Hot chip Sambo's for lunch!) Finally, we'll see the old year out with a bang (good riddance!) and celebrate what we can only hope is a Happier New Year with a great "New Year's Eve Pyjama Party!"</p>  
<p><b>WEEK 3</b> Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan – Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Jan</p> <p>Closed Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan</p>	<p>The opening week of 2022 will get off to a SUPER start and a MARVELOUS beginning! Our In-Centre Day of "Marvel vs DC Superheroes" will have you pitted in a battle of Good vs Evil for a fantastic day of fun while our "Just Add Water" themed day will be a wet &amp; wild exploration of the magic of H2O and how to have fun with it! A second trip to the fabulous "JETTY CARNIVAL" is on the cards as well as day at the beach for a good old fashioned "Aussie Beach Bash" complete with sand-sculpting competitions and Surf Carnival games. We'll let you rest on the weekend!</p>  
<p><b>WEEK 4</b> Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Jan – Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Jan</p>	<p>This week we'll send you back to school early, "Surf School" that is, where you can learn to master the skills that every Aussie kid should learn! We'll also let you burn off some energy by bouncing off the walls (literally) at "Spring-Loaded" where you can also sharpen your Ninja Warrior skills! Finally, we'll top off the excursions with a tonsil-tickling trip to the Movies to see "Sing 2." Closer to home, our In-Centre theme days will see us come face to face with those terrible twins Mario and Luigi in a "Super Smash Nintendo Switch up" as we bring them into real life for a host of fantastic fun! However, our other In-Centre Day this week will definitely be a "DISASTER!" A fascinating exploration of the science of tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions! BUT... it's OK, the meteors won't hurt you, just ask the dinosaurs!</p>  
<p><b>WEEK 5</b> Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Jan – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Jan</p>	<p>Fun and laughs galore this week as we take you to the opposite extremes of Sense and Nonsense! Our "Sensible Senses" themed In-Centre Day is full of games and activities that will not only stimulate the original five senses in your body but will push you to the pursuit of your mythical "sixth sense!" At the other end of the scale, we have an hilarious day of deviously stupid "Practical Jokes and Pranks" to help you endear yourself to family and friends! And YES..., the "BELCH-FIRE BOTTOM BLASTER" is back! Out and about we'll see us embark on an "Amazing Race-Botanic Gardens" adventure to navigate our way to some great prizes! We'll also return to the "Golf Range" for both Mini and Maxi Swipes at the little white balls. Finally, we'll grab our last chance while we can hit the fantastic "JETTY CARNIVAL" to make the most of what I believe is the best excursion of the year!</p>  
<p><b>WEEK 6</b> Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Jan – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Jan &amp; Mon 31<sup>st</sup></p> <p>Pupil Free</p> <p>Closed Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January</p>	<p>Back to school is just around the corner so we're going to try and pack as much fun as we can into our final week of holidays! Come along with us to enjoy the "Creepy, Kooky, Mysterious and Spooky" antics when we watch the "Addams Family 2 Movie." A return to trip "Spring Loaded" will put a spring in your step ready for school and we'll take you back to the "Sherwood Archery Centre" to hone your skills and teach what to do with those apples you give to the teacher! In the lead up to Australia Day we will take the time to have some fun and celebrate the joys of living in this great country we call home with our "Aussie, Aussie, Aussie – Oi, Oi, Oi" In Centre Day! From Bogans and Bunyips to Barbies and Bush Tucker, there'll be something for everyone! And... forget the Melbourne Cup... the cockroaches are back and running! On our final Pupil Free day, it will be a case of "Pool before School" as we squeeze out our last ounce of summer fun in a lazy day at the pool!</p>  



## GRAFTON SWIM ACADEMY – JANUARY 2022

### 2 WEEK INTENSIVE SWIMMING PROGRAMME

MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022 to THURSDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022

MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022 to FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022

(EXCLUDING WED 26<sup>TH</sup> Australia day)

**FEES: \$128 EACH PARTICIPANT**

***Active Kids Vouchers are not accepted as payment for Intensive Swimming Programmes***

### Hello to all Parents and Carers

We are commencing 2022 with a positive attitude that the worst is behind us. Many children will have missed their lessons and are looking forward to returning in Term 1.

We can now offer our Christmas Holiday Intensive Programme to all students who would like to get a jump start on their swimming skills. We offer our Programme at South Grafton Pool for both morning and afternoon sessions and at Grafton Pool for morning sessions only. Lessons are 30 minutes in duration for the general LTS, longer for SD, MS and Squads

1. South Grafton morning sessions will be from 8.00 am to 1.00 pm.
2. South Grafton afternoons will be from 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm.
3. Grafton sessions will be morning only from 7.30 am – 11.00 am.

There are limited places in all classes, so if this is of interest to you, please advise as soon as possible. We are holding Squads, Mini Squads, Stroke Development and Learn to Swim Classes for children 3 years of age and older – but **NO** Baby/Toddles classes.

Please advise your name, your child/ren names and preference from the above list: 1, 2 or 3. Please provide your current mobile number. We will advise by text message the details of your classes closer to Intensive commencement.

Email: [swimacademy@graftonaquaticcentres.com.au](mailto:swimacademy@graftonaquaticcentres.com.au)

Attn: Lyn McDiarmid

Yours in Swimming, Safety and Fun  
Grafton Swim Academy Teachers



Lovable larrikin Ginger Meggs turns 100 this year.

Come along to the National Cartoon Gallery in Coffs Harbour and be entertained by his antics.

This is a wonderful exhibition to introduce the younger generation to an Australian icon.

There'll also be some fun activities for the kids.

Exhibition opens 10 December 2021 to 28 February 2022.



# summer holiday program

@ your library

december 2021 - january 2022



## all libraries

1st december - 31 january  
summer reading club

pick up a challenge sheet  
@ your local library

all events at  
your library  
are FREE

## grifton

monday 6th, 13th and 20th december  
craftermoons

choose from a variety of crafts.  
4-5pm  
ages 4+

friday 7th january  
rock painting

paint your very own rock to hide, share  
and hunt.  
10:30-11:30am  
ages 3+

saturday 8th january  
DnD summer delve

dig into this dungeons and dragons delve  
these school holidays. chips and soft drink  
provided.  
12-5pm  
ages 12+



tuesday 11th january  
minecraft for kids

enjoy our minecraft environment, and take  
part in challenges on our ipads.  
10:30-12:00pm & 2-3:30pm  
ages 9-15

friday 14th january  
quizz-itch

test yourself with our Harry Potter quiz  
game. including disco and pizza.  
6-8pm  
ages 7+



tuesday 18th january  
digi daydreaming

local artist Kade Valja will be running a  
workshop to teach digital art on library  
ipads.  
12:30- 4:30pm  
ages 9+

friday 21st january  
minecraft for kids

10:30-11:30am & 12-1:00pm  
ages 9-15

thursday 13th january  
library lego legends

10:30-12:00pm  
ages 7+

tuesday 18th january  
kokedama

make your own potless plant with string.  
10:30-12:00pm  
ages 13+

thursday 20th january  
library lego legends

10:30-12:00pm  
ages 7+



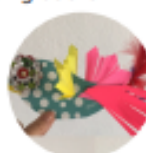
## yamba

wednesday 22nd december  
upcycle christmas tree craft

fold a fabulous christmas tree using books  
as the base.  
2-3:30pm  
ages 8+

monday 10 january  
crazy creative birds

use a variety of mixed media art materials to  
construct birds.  
10:30-12:00pm for ages 5-8 &  
2-3:30pm for ages 9+



wednesday 12th, 19th & 25th january  
summer reading club book'n'build

10:30-11:30am  
ages 4-7

friday 21st january  
sand art

10:30am-11:30am for ages 4-7 &  
2-3pm for ages 8+

wednesday 19th january  
digi daydreaming

12:30- 4:30pm  
ages 9+



discover Indy reads  
summer book club  
read 'the grandest bookshop  
in the world' - gain two  
bonus rewards for SRC

## mobile

tuesday 11th january  
3D hand art @baryuigil

amaze your friends with an eye-  
popping 3D artwork of your hand  
10:30-11:30am  
ages 5+

tuesday 11th january

catapults game @copmanhurst  
build a catapult with household  
objects then challenge your mates.  
2:30-3:30pm  
ages 8+

wednesday 12th january  
3D hand art @nymbolda

10:30-11:30am  
ages 5+

wednesday 12th january  
catapults game @coutts crossing

2:30-3:30pm  
ages 8+

tuesday 18th january  
3D hand art @wooli

10:30-11:30am  
ages 5+

tuesday 18th january  
3D hand art @minnie water

2:30- 3:30pm  
ages 5+

wednesday 19th january  
catapults game @glenreagh

2:30- 3:30pm  
ages 8+

thursday 20th january  
3D hand art @brushgrove

10:30-11:30am  
ages 5+

thursday 20th january  
catapults game @tucabia

2:30- 3:30pm  
ages 8+



## iluka

friday 10th december  
snow globe creation

3:00- 4:00pm  
ages 5+

friday 7th january  
things with wheels

10:30-11:30am  
ages 3+

friday 14th january  
sand art

10:30-11:30am  
ages 4-7



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# TERM 4 2021 GYMNASTICS PROGRAM



MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Gymnastics 4-5PM 5-6PM 10 WEEK PROGRAM	Gymnastics 4-5PM 5-6PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM	Gymnastics 4-5PM 5-6PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM	Gymnastics 4-5PM 5-6PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM	Gymnastics 4-5PM 5-6PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM
Parkour 4-5PM 10 WEEK PROGRAM	Trampoline 4-5PM 5-6PM 6-7:30PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM	Parkour 6-7:30PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM	WAG 4-5:30PM 5:30-7:30PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM	Parkour 4-5PM 5-6PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM
Tumbling Dev 6-7:30PM 10 WEEK PROGRAM	WAG 4-5:30PM 5:30-7:30PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM			Team Gym 6-7:30PM 11 WEEK PROGRAM

ASK ABOUT OUR KINDY GYM  
CLASSES FOR TODDLERS

Prices:

- Parkour | Gymnastics | Tumbling | Trampoline - \$130\* per term or \$15 per casual visit

Must be a current PCYC member to attend any of these classes  
\*Gymnastics Australia Registrations Apply

## CRAFTERNOON

for ages  
4+

@ grafton  
library

monday the 6th, 13th and 20th of december  
from 4:00-5:00pm

looking for some crafty after school fun?  
join us for crafternoons @ grafton library – where kids can choose from a  
selection of craft activities to make each week, including...



BYO parent



all events at  
your library  
are FREE

book now at  
grafton library or  
online @  
[crl.nsw.gov.au](http://crl.nsw.gov.au)



## Christmas Photos at PCYC

December 6th - 10th 2021

Book at PCYC Front Desk



Cost: \$15

Includes: 1 Digital image





REDEEM YOUR CREATIVE  
KIDS VOUCHERS FOR  
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



# SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2021

READY, SET, GO TO PCYC  
BOOK NOW!

9AM - 3PM | \$40 per child | Ages 4-12 | Please bring a drink bottle and packed lunch

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK BEGINNING 21/12/21</b>	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	TABLE TENNIS BEACH VOLLEYBALL ARTS AND CRAFTS	PARKOUR GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	CHRISTMAS CRAFTS CHRISTMAS MOVIE/POPCORN	CLOSED
<b>WEEK BEGINNING 03/01/22</b>	CLOSED	ATHLETICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	BASKETBALL FUTSALL ARTS AND CRAFTS	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	SUMMER PARTY GET READY TO GET WET CHANGE OF CLOTHES AND TOWEL REQUIRED
<b>WEEK BEGINNING 10/01/22</b>	MULTISPORTS ARTS AND CRAFTS	GYMNASTICS PARKOUR ARTS AND CRAFTS	ATHLETICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	MULTI SPORTS ARTS AND CRAFTS
<b>WEEK BEGINNING 17/01/22</b>	MULTI SPORTS ARTS AND CRAFTS	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	ATHLETICS ARTS AND CRAFTS
<b>WEEK BEGINNING 24/01/22</b>	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	MULTI SPORTS ARTS AND CRAFTS	ATHLETICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	GYMNASTICS ARTS AND CRAFTS	END OF HOLIDAYS PARTY AND MOVIE DAY WITH SNACKS AND POPCORN

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