



Term 1 Week 10
Thursday 3rd April 2025

MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to all students who received a merit award!

Wombats	Jack Williams – Outstanding sportsmanship during cricket. Jordan Musa-Lyter – Exceptionally neat work across all areas. Cooper Lynch – Working hard on phoneme recognition. Memphis Tambiah – Amazing effort with letter formation.
Wallabies	Kuzey Taban – Working hard to complete all writing tasks. Wesley Smith – A super effort decoding words when reading. Nixon Payne – Showing great progress in his reading. Oliver Faint – Imaginative sentence writing.
Lorikeets	Carter Winmill – Always displaying kindness, respect and responsibility. Tyler Lynch – Working hard in mathematics. Tiffani Fooks – Demonstrating a strong understanding of writing techniques. Matias Kennedy – Outstanding class participation.
Kingfishers	Lylah Goff – Displaying a positive attitude towards her work. Kaiden Skillin – Improvement in spelling and sound waves activities. Dilara Taban – Taking care and effort to present her work to the best of her ability. Charlie Taliana – Working well in all independent tasks.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a clear policy on no mobile phones at school during the day, with a number of students routinely dropping their device into the office as they arrive at school. It has come to my attention that smartwatches have been on the increase in use with some of our students and I would like to point out that they are included in the blanket ban in NSW schools. The ban was put in place to increase focus in classrooms and reduce distractions, promote positive interactions and also reduce the potential for online bullying. Students are able to wear and use smartwatches on their journey to and from school, however, will need to hand these items in to the school office on arrival to school. I ask for your support in speaking with your child about this important matter.

Our Stage 3 students travelled by train to the city recently to attend the 2025 Dream and Lead Primary School Leadership Conference. The conference was inspiring and engaging, providing our student leaders with activities and ideas to expand their thinking and reflect on their potential. A special 'thank you' to all the parents who transported their children to and from the train station for this great opportunity.

Some students in Stage 2 and Stage 3 participated in the Cricket Gala Day at Peel Park last Friday, where they rotated through the position and playing other school teams. Congratulations to these students for their positive sporting conduct on the day, cheering their friends on. Thank you to Mrs Concha and Mrs Vallis for supervising and to parents for assisting with transport on the day.

Our Cross Country Carnival yesterday was a great success, with the weather thankfully holding out for us to finish. Well done to all students for their mammoth efforts. We have quite a number of students going through to the Zone Cross Country next term. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us on the day.

We have a busy last week of the term, with Parent/Teacher Interviews, Term 1 Reading Challenge celebration, a fabulous lunch time 90s club fun activity and Easter Hat Parade on the last day of the term. We also have a number of students who will have artwork submitted to the Hawkesbury Show during the upcoming school holidays. Classes are also decorating cut-outs of Gabby the Goat and we are looking forward to seeing their submissions on display!

Next term we will be starting Peer Support Groups each fortnight. In these groups, we will have a mix of students from Kindergarten to Year 6, with the senior students being the leaders. Peer Support is a time to focus on how we can be a good friend and communicate respectfully. Additionally, we will be holding Interest Groups weekly during the term, as our choir group will be needing to practice their songs for the Hawkesbury Performing Arts Festival in early Term 3.

As this is our last newsletter for the term, I wish all our teachers, School Learning Support Officers, Office staff and General Assistant a safe and relaxing break. Our staff have worked tirelessly to ensure our students have had a successful term of learning. I also wish our students and families a happy and safe term break and we look forward to seeing all of you back with us in Term 2 on Wednesday 30th April, 2025.

Andrea Dziubinski
Principal

TERM 2 ATHLETICS

Throughout Term 2 we will be focusing on learning all the specific skills involved with athletics activities. Trained instructors from Zing Activ will be conducting skill workshops with all students K-6 each Wednesday afternoon. The last Wednesday of the term will be our Athletics Carnival at Tamplin Park in Richmond. There will be a separate note and payment emailed to parents next term for this event.

Term 2 = sports uniforms to be worn on Wednesdays please

SPORTS SHIRTS

If your child's sport shirt has the transfer "EBENEZER" on the back lifting off, please bring the shirt into the school office. Our supply company are aware that some of the newer shirts have faulty transfer material, which lifts quite quickly and they are looking into the issue. For longevity, it is recommended to wash all sports shirts inside out.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Once enrolled, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are required to attend school each day. It is important that students arrive at school and class on time so that they do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day. Each day, teachers mark attendance for every student at 9:00am. Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include illness, having an unavoidable medical appointment, being required to attend a recognised religious holiday, exceptional or urgent family circumstance e.g. attending a funeral.

A reminder that our school converted our absence notifications to text messages. If your child is absent from school you will receive an automatic SMS from the school notifying you of your child's absence and requesting a justification for their absence by return SMS.

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays to minimise learning disruptions. If travel during school term is necessary, please discuss this with Mrs Dziubinski. An Application for Extended Travel may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

Please notify the school office if you have recently changed your mobile phone number to ensure our records are up to date.

All students at Ebenezer PS are to:

- Attend every school day, unless they are legally excused, and be in class on time and prepared to learn.
- Maintain a neat appearance, including adhering to the requirements of the school's uniform or dress code policy.
- Behave safely, considerately and responsibly, including when travelling to and from school.
- Show respect at all times for teachers, other school staff and helpers, including following class rules, speaking courteously and cooperating with instructions and learning activities.
- Treat one another with dignity and respect.
- Care for property belonging to themselves, the school and others.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held next week on Tuesday 8/4/2025 and Wednesday 9/4/2025 after school. This is a good opportunity to check in with your child's teacher in regards to learning at school.

The 'Interviews' section in School Bytes is now active for parent bookings – bookings close on Sunday night 6/4/2025.

Please make sure you make a booking to secure your spot. We will do ten-minute face to face interviews in the school hall. I ask that you work to keeping the interview at the ten-minute mark. We look forward to discussing your child's learning progress with you.

CRUNCH&SIP

Crunch&Sip® is a set break for students to 'refuel' on vegetables, salad and fruit and 'rehydrate' with water. Students who are not hungry and are well hydrated perform better in the classroom, show increased concentration, and are less likely to be irritable and disruptive. Many students are not eating enough vegetables and fruit or keeping sufficiently hydrated.

Please remember to send fruit or vegetable and a bottle of water each day.

FRUIT- All fresh fruit, e.g. a banana, chopped melon. Please cut fruit such as apples and place in a zip lock bag or small plastic container for younger children.

VEGETABLES- Fresh vegetables, e.g. carrot sticks, cucumber slices, celery sticks.

DRINK- Only plain water please. No other drinks are allowed as they are laden with sugar.

HARMONY DAY



SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL



EASTER HAT PARADE

We would like to invite you to join us in celebrating our Easter Hat Parade on **Friday 11th April, 2025.**

Commences: 12.30pm

Where: Ebenezer Public School, main shelter

All students are invited to join in the parade with a decorated hat, mask, basket, poster or outfit with an Easter theme. Younger siblings who are not yet school age will also have an opportunity to parade their Easter theme items. These are made at home and brought in on the day.

We would like to invite parents/caregivers and relatives to join us for a self-supplied picnic lunch after the parade finishes. We encourage families to bring a picnic blanket and enjoy the company of our school community.

An Easter raffle and guessing competition is being organised by our P&C, which will be drawn at the conclusion of our parade. Hot cross buns ordered through the P&C will also be available for collection.

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

Our school ANZAC Day ceremony will be held on Thursday 1st May at 10.30am. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Ebenezer students are invited to represent our school at the 9.00am morning service at Wilberforce Park on ANZAC day. All students are welcome to attend and encouraged to wear their school uniform, meeting at the park gate by 8.45am



UNIFORM POLICY

The wearing of a school uniform by students will assist Ebenezer Public School community in:

- defining an identity for Ebenezer Public School
- developing students' sense of belonging at Ebenezer Public School
- providing an opportunity to build our school spirit
- enhancing the health and safety of students when involved in school activities
- promoting a sense of inclusiveness, non-discrimination and equal opportunity
- reinforcing the perception of the school as an ordered and safe environment

MOBILE PHONES AND DEVICES AT SCHOOL

At Ebenezer Public School the safety and privacy of all students, staff and visitors is paramount. This mobile phone and device policy is supported by other school policies including the school Code of Conduct, School Rules and expectations and the school anti bullying policy. The support of parents/guardians and the school community in implementing this policy is greatly appreciated.

A student may need to have a mobile phone during the school day e.g. safety reasons travelling to and from school. To ensure that mobile phones and devices are **not** being used inappropriately however, please follow these steps:

1. All students carrying mobile phones and/or devices to and from school are required to leave it switched off at the school office during school hours (including bus lines).
2. If a student is found to be in possession of a mobile phone or device, their phone will be confiscated, and the student's parents will be advised that a permission note is required before the phone/device is returned to the student.
3. If a student is found to be in possession of a mobile phone/device more than once without permission, a detention will be issued.

If there is a message you need to communicate with your child about changes to after school arrangements, please call the school office before 2:45pm and we will pass the message on.

OOSH – OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Ebenezer PS has an OOSH (Out of School Hours Care), located near the school hall. OOSH is available for Kindergarten to Year 6 students. Parents of before and after school care children can access the school to drop off and collect their children. An adult is required to physically sign children in and sign out of OOSH. If crossing the road before or after school outside our crossing supervisor times, please hold your child's hand or walk with them across the road.

Parents interested in enrolling their children can contact OOSH in person or by phone on 0459 784 285 or by email: ebenezeroosh@hotmail.com. Enrolment paperwork is also available at the office.

ROAD SAFETY

We request that parents and students walk to and from school using the road safety guidelines. We have a Pedestrian Crossing Officer who monitors the children's crossing on Sackville Road each morning and afternoon.

Some safety tips:

Children's Crossing-

- Slow down and stop before the stop line if a pedestrian is on or is about to enter the crossing.
- Do not proceed until all pedestrians have left the entire crossing.
- If the road beyond the children's crossing is blocked you must not drive into or stop on the crossing.
- You must not stop in the No Stopping zones either side of the crossing as this blocks vision.
- You must **NOT** conduct u-turns across double lines before or after the crossing.

Walking to school-

- Walking to school is a great way for both you and your children to get some physical activity and stay healthy.
- Remember to set a good example and use pedestrian facilities when available.
- Always hold hands and teach the road safety rules of stop, look, listen and think before crossing the road.

No Stopping zones-

- Do not stop in a No Stopping zone at any time.
- These zones are designed to allow visibility for pedestrians and drivers especially around crossings.

Bus Zones-

- You must not stop within a Bus Zone at any time.
- If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.

School photos date: Wednesday 14th May



K-6 SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Our school assembly will be on Fridays in the hall at 2.00pm. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

For your diaries:

Term 1 Week 6 – Kingfishers will be presenting a class item

Term 1 Week 8 – Lorikeets will be presenting a class item

Term 1 Week 10 – Wallabies will be presenting a class item

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

Ebenezer is a Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) school. Students are expected to demonstrate behaviours associated with our four school expectations/rules:

- Be Safe
- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be a Learner

For the start of the new school year, we will be going through school expectations with explicit lessons over the next four weeks to support all students:

- **Week 2: Lining up expectations** – lining up sensibly and moving through our school safely and respectfully
- **Week 3: Uniform expectations** – wearing our school uniform and representing our school with pride
- **Week 4: Playground expectations** – playing safely, responsibly, being friendly and kind to others
- **Week 5: Communication expectations** – speaking to peers and adults with respect and resolving conflict with clear communication

PBL TOKENS

During class time, students are recognised when being safe; responsible; respectful or a learner by their teacher with a corresponding token. These tokens are stuck onto a token chart kept in their classroom and a full chart is exchanged for a Token Award at the next Friday assembly. These tokens are also tracked by teachers to ensure we are acknowledging and celebrating student achievements.

15 Tokens (Safe/ Responsible/ Respectful/ Learner/ Eagle/Attendance) = 1 Token Award

3 Token Awards (45 Tokens) = Bronze Award

6 Token Awards (90 Tokens) = Silver Award

9 Token Awards (135 Tokens) = Gold Award

3 Gold awards (405 Tokens) = Gold Medallion

This system is ongoing, with the names of students who received a Gold Medallion throughout the year are engraved on the perpetual Token Shield at the end of each year.

Gold Award recipients and their parents are also invited to a free celebratory morning tea with the Principal at the end of each semester, as further recognition of their ongoing commitment to displaying school expectations.

BUS BEHAVIOUR

A number of students use the Busways bus services to get to and from school. It has come to my attention that some students aren't displaying safe behaviours when on the bus, which I have spoken to students and Busways about. It is always important for all students to be safe before, during and after their bus journey and I request that you discuss the safe bus rules with your children if they catch a bus.

Bus Rules for Ebenezer students:

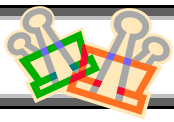
- Listen to the driver
- Walk quietly onto the bus and find a seat
- Once you sit, stay in the one seat
- Sit your legs facing the front
- Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before you get off, get off slowly and safely.

LUNCH BOX NEWS

As we move back into packing lunches for school days, please remember that spoons and forks are okay to pack for your child's lunch but no knives (metal or plastic) please.

Also, please do not include glass drink bottles in your child's lunch – plastic and metal drink bottles or poppers in plastic or cardboard are all ok to bring to school. We have a 'brain break' during the morning learning session so please remember to pack your child a "Crunch&Sip" snack in addition to their recess and lunch food. This can be any fresh fruit or vegetables and water to drink. Please do not include fruit flavoured snacks or juice/cordial for this snack break.





Bulletin Board



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Go4Fun Create healthy habits - for life



St Marys Go4Fun

Day: Thursdays in Term 2, 2025
Dates: 1 May to 3 July (10 weeks)
Time: 4:30pm to 6:30pm
Location: Don Bosco Youth & Recreation Centre (Address: 10 Mamre Rd, St Marys NSW 2760)

To register:

- **Visit:** <https://go4funonline.com.au/go4fun-face-to-face/>
- **Call:** 1800 780 900

Go4Fun is a free program for kids aged 7-13 and their families looking for support with healthy eating, physical activity, reducing screen time and overall wellbeing

Fun prizes, weekly fun based games and spend quality time together while creating healthy habits - for life

Interpreter support available

Afternoon tea provided

A parent or carer (such as a grandparent, aunt, uncle or adult sibling) is required to attend each session



What happens at Go4Fun programs?



Play fun games and activities



Build self confidence



Manage screen time



Make new friends



Get active and have fun



Go on a supermarket tour



Whole of family approach



Learn about healthy eating for kids and family

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HAWKESBURY NAIDOC

SAVE THE DATES

Hawkesbury NAIDOC Concert
Sunday | 6 July 2025

Hawkesbury NAIDOC Ball
Saturday | 26 July 2025

NEW

Hawkesbury Family & Youth NAIDOC Ball
Saturday 19 July 2025

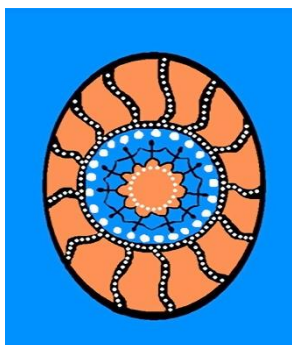
Tickets on sale April 2025

NAIDOC Merchandise
Pre orders for NAIDOC shirts and jackets will be coming soon. Kids sizes also available.

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For more information, please contact Merana on (02) 4588 5144 or admin@merana.org.au



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Hawkesbury NAIDOC Ball 2025

About Merana

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Merana was incorporated in 2003 to assist in giving Aboriginal people a voice and to raise awareness of Aboriginal issues both on a local, state and national level.

Merana's continuing objective is to develop, support and implement programs, positions and resources that meet the needs identified by Aboriginal people living within the Hawkesbury LGA and surrounding areas.

NAIDOC History

NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced to the emergence of Aboriginal groups in the 1920's which sought to increase awareness in the wider community of the status and treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life.

NAIDOC Theme 2025

The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy

The 2025 theme, "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy," celebrates not only the achievements of the past but the bright future ahead, empowered by the strength of our young leaders, the vision of our communities, and the legacy of our ancestors.

This year, the National NAIDOC Committee takes an important step toward independence, embracing self-determination as a model for the next generation. With every story shared, every act of resilience remembered, and every cultural practice celebrated, we honor a legacy that reaches far into the past and extends into the future. As we celebrate this milestone, we look toward the next 50 years with excitement and confidence, while everyday ensuring that NAIDOC remains a movement grounded in community-led vision and integrity.

From this solid foundation, the next generation will rise—grounded in the strength of our Elders, history, inspired by a shared vision, and committed to building a legacy of unity, respect, and self-determination for all. This NAIDOC Week, we celebrate not just a milestone but a movement that endures, grows, and evolves—driven by the unwavering strength of our communities, the shared vision of our people, and the enduring legacy we pass on to those who will shape our future. Together, we walk forward, honouring where we've come from and looking boldly to the next generation who will carry NAIDOC and their communities into the future.

Through our collective efforts, we can forge a future where the stories, traditions, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities are cherished and celebrated, enriching the fabric of the nation with the oldest living culture in the world. (www.naidoc.org.au/about/naidoc-theme)

About the Event

Merana is holding the 7th Annual NAIDOC Ball on 26th July 2025 at Windsor Function Centre. Merana Management Committee invite sponsors to contribute towards the success of the event.

Previous NAIDOC Ball's have reached capacity in ticket sales. The event will incorporate a 3-course meal, live band and a gathering to celebrate community involvement.

Sponsorship Packages

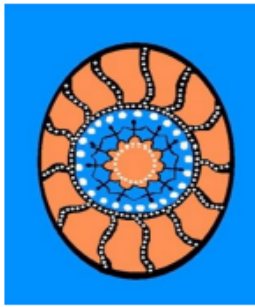
Packages	\$ Amount	Ball Tickets Included	Logo for Promotion
Platinum 1 Package Sold	\$7000 + GST	24 tickets = 2 tables	Logo on all promotional material.
Gold 3 Packages Sold	\$5000+ GST	12 Tickets to Ball	Online promotional and at event
Silver 7 Packages	\$3500 + GST	6 tickets to Ball	Online promotional and at event
Bronze Unlimited	\$1500 + GST	4 tickets to Ball	Online promotional and at event
Photography/Videography 1 Package	\$2500 + GST	6 tickets to Ball	Online promotional and at event
Community Sponsorship - Unlimited	\$110 + GST	1 ticket per sponsorship to be utilised for a community member to attend.	

Merana is a registered charity organisation.

Please contact Melissa Stubbings, Manager at Merana on (02) 4588 5144 or admin@merana.org.au to discuss further or to register as a sponsor.

Thank you in advance.

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Families and Youth Hawkesbury NAIDOC Ball 2025

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About the Families and Youth Hawkesbury NAIDOC Ball

Merana is holding the 1st Families and Youth Hawkesbury NAIDOC Ball on Saturday, 12 July 2025 at North Richmond Panthers.

Merana Management Committee are pleased to invite sponsors to contribute towards the success of the event. This is the first NAIDOC Ball in the Hawkesbury for families and youth. The ball will be in two parts:

1. Families Ball
 - 5pm – 8:30pm
2. Youth Ball
 - 9pm – 11:30pm

The families ball allows for people of all ages to attend and celebrate with their families. The youth ball will be for youth from 12-17years.

The event will incorporate a dinner and desert, live band or DJ, raffle, photobooth, and a gathering to celebrate community involvement.

Families Sponsorship Packages

Packages	\$ Amount	Ball Tickets Included	Logo for Promotion
Diamond 1 Package	\$5000 + GST	20 tickets = 2 tables	Logo on all promotional material
Ruby 6 Packages	\$3000+ GST	10 Tickets = 1 table	Online promotional and at event
Emerald 7 Packages	\$2000 + GST	6 tickets	Online promotional and at event
Sapphire Unlimited	\$1000 + GST	4 tickets	Online promotional and at event
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Youth Sponsorship Packages

Pearl 7 Packages	\$2000 + GST	6 tickets	Online promotional and at event
Opal Unlimited	\$1000 + GST	4 tickets	Online promotional and at event
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Thank you in advance

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Manager

MERANA'S GURUNG (CHILDRENS) GROUP



Come Along for an Afternoon of Fun
Activities, and Food.
Entertained in a Culturally Safe Space

All Children from Kindy - Year 6
are Welcome

**Every Wednesday
(School Terms)
3:30 - 5 pm**

Email -
admin@merana.org.au

Call -
02 4588 5144

Location -
Unit 2/20 West Market St.
Richmond NSW

Parents/Carers must
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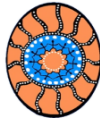
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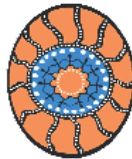
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MERANA'S FITNESS ACTIVITIES

Merana runs fitness programs weekly.

Need to get in a few more steps, then come join the Merana team. Enjoy a relaxing walk around Richmond Park, fresh air and a yarn.

Mums and bubs, seniors, everyone is welcome. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for weather updates.

MEET BEHIND THE GRANDSTAND, BRING WATER BOTTLE & HAT.

GREAT FOR ALL FITNESS LEVELS

**EVERY TUESDAY
5:30PM - 6:30PM
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ONLY I CAN SAY



Across April, join our free creative writing workshops hosted by **WestWords** and **WestLit Libraries**. Learn the skills you need to craft a short story and poem in these workshops hosted by professional writers.

These workshops are held as a part of the **2025 Living Stories Western Sydney Writing Prize**. In its 5th year, Living Stories is open to residents of Western Sydney and Wingecarribee Shire, offering an opportunity at publication and cash prizes from a pool of over \$12,000.

This year, participants are asked to respond to the theme: ***Only I can say***. Write your entry at our workshops. Then choose to submit for your chance at a cash prize and publication!

Entries, either a short story/narrative non-fiction (up to 500 words) or a poem (up to 25 lines) and are open to residents from the 14 LGAs across four age groups: 10 - 12 years; 13 - 15 years; 16 - 18 years; and adults (18+).

To enter, and for more information, please visit: www.westwords.com.au/living-stories

School holidays at WSI

KEEP YOUR LITTLE FLYERS BUSY
WITH OUR FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY
ACTIVITIES SUCH AS:

- Easter Crafts
- Anzac Crafts
- Engineer your own plane

WHEN:
12th April to 29th April

WHERE:
WSI Experience Centre, 100 Eaton Road
Luddenham NSW 2745

Scan the QR code for
activities and bookings.
Bookings are essential.



Western
Sydney
International
Airport

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

LEARN, PLAY & GROW



BASKETBALL



GYMNASTICS



NERF/LASER TAG



ESCAPE ROOMS



CRAFTS



PICKLEBALL



OZ TAG



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And more! Kids Vouchers Accepted
Book 2 days, and get the 3rd at 50% off



BOOK NOW

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School Holiday Activities

Autumn 2025

LIBRARY

(Ground Floor) 300 George Street,
Windsor NSW 2756
02 4560 4460
hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au/library

BOOK TICKETS



WRITING WORKSHOP

Tuesday 15 April
10 - 12 YEARS: 10:30AM - 12PM
13 - 17 YEARS: 2 - 3:30PM



These creative writing workshops, presented by **WestWords**, will be hosted by local professional writers. They aim to improve your craft in short story and poetry while helping to generate ideas to create an entry for the **Living Stories Writing Competition**.

FREE - Bookings Essential



HOLIDAY MOVIES

Tuesday 22 April | 2 - 3:30PM

Enjoy a fun movie at the Library! Bring your own snacks and drinks. Movie title can be found on Eventbrite, by calling the Library or find out on the day!

FREE - All Welcome



LEGO PLAY SPACE

14 - 24 April

You are never too old to create with Lego! Drop into the library and have fun building your own world in a quiet environment. There will be loads of Lego pieces available for builders to produce any creation they desire.

FREE - Drop In - No Bookings Required

MUSEUM

8 Baker Street,
Windsor NSW 2756
02 4560 4655
hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au/museum

BOOK TICKETS



THE ART OF PROTEST

Thursday 17 April
10:30AM - 12:30PM

Learn how powerful words can be used to create your very own positive protest sign!

\$18 - For ages 7 - 12

MINI MUSEUM MAKERS

Thursday 24 APRIL
10:30AM - 12:30PM

Become a curator for a day and build your very own mini museum.

\$18 - For ages 5 - 12

GALLERY

(First Floor) 300 George Street,
Windsor NSW 2756
02 4560 4441
hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au/gallery

BOOK TICKETS



PAPER MARBLING MASTERPIECES

Wednesday 16 April
10:30AM - 12:30PM

Create a gorgeous, kaleidoscopic landscape inspired by artworks in the gallery and the Hawkesbury's landscape.

\$18 - For ages 5 - 12

COPYCAT LANDSCAPES

Wednesday 23 April
10:30AM - 12:30PM

Learn how to recreate artworks in your own style using different painting and drawing techniques.

\$18 - For ages 7 - 12

NEXT TERM

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON ART CLUB
7 May - 25 June

For ages 6-12 years \$130 (8-week term)



8 | motivasports 2 DAY SUPER CAMP SPORTS FESTIVAL

* 14 & 15 APRIL - 2 DAY SUPER CAMP
* 24 APRIL - 1 DAY SOCCER CAMP
ARNDILL COLLEGE, OAKVILLE

2-day camp pass - \$125 non sleep over | 1-DAY soccer - \$70

APRIL 2025



KINDY - YR 6



8.30AM TO 3.30PM

motivasports.com.au
hawkesbury@motivasports.com.au
0414 891 802



8 | motivasports FOOTBALL FANATICS

IF YOU LOVE SOCCER

YOU'LL LOVE THIS 1 DAY EVENT!

* THURSDAY 24TH APRIL
ARNDILL ANGLICAN COLLEGE, OAKVILLE

\$70 - 1 DAY PASS

8:30AM - 3:30PM | KINDY - YEAR 6

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Transport for NSW

Free child car seat safety check

2 in 3 car seats are not being used correctly

Make sure your child is safe with a free inspection by a Transport for NSW Authorised Restraint Fitter. You can have your child car seats and booster seats checked for safety and correct fit.

Date:	Wednesday, 2 April 2025 from 9am - 1pm
Location:	Glossodia Community Centre, 162 Golden Valley Drive, Glossodia
Contact:	To book in call Council's Road Safety Officer on (02) 4560 4278



childcarseats.com.au
An initiative of your local council as
part of the Local Government Road
Safety Program



Reminders

Lunch orders available via Flexischools App
Friday's ONLY

2025

Term 1

April

Tuesday 8 th	Parent/Teacher interviews
Wednesday 9 th	Parent/Teacher interviews
Thursday 10 th	90's club activities
	Reading challenge pizza lunch
Friday 11 th	Easter Hat Parade
	Last day of term for students

Term 2

April

Monday 28 th	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 29 th	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 30 th	First day back for students

May

Thursday 1 st	Anzac Ceremony
Thursday 8 th	P&C Mother's Day stall
Friday 9 th	P&C Mother's Day stall
Wednesday 14 th	School photos
Friday 23 rd	Zone Cross Country

June

Monday 16 th	EPS Spelling Bee – juniors & seniors
Tuesday 17 th	HPAF Choir Rehearsal
Monday 23 rd	Life Ed Van
Tuesday 24 th	Life Ed Van
Tuesday 24 th	Stage 3 Longneck Enrichment
Monday 30 th	Spelling Bee - Regional

Costs to Families 2025

Stage 3 Canberra Camp \$590
Voluntary Family Contribution \$20
Resource Fee \$30

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