



hello

SUMMER

school holidays

a jampacked program of fun



3 DECEMBER 2025 - 23 JANUARY 2026

WEDNESDAY 3 DEC

Christmas Craft and Storytime at Huntlee Park

Bring a picnic rug and settle in for some Christmas songs, stories and craft at Huntlee Park.

Huntlee Park: 10am-11am | Ages 0 - 6 | FREE



THURSDAY 4 DEC

Succulents with Susan Goa

Create your own succulent masterpiece by an experienced grower and florist from [Susan's Succulents](#).

Huntlee Park: 10am-11am | Ages 0 - 6 | FREE

MONDAY 8 DEC

DIY Christmas Cards

Join us at Cessnock youth centre to design and make your own personalised Christmas cards. All materials are provided.

Cessnock Youth Center: 3.30pm - 4.30pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

Card Making Workshop for Beginners - Cards by Leigh

In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn the basics of card making, including:

How to cut and score using a paper trimmer, use stamps, inks, and other creative tools for different effects. How to plan your card designs using sketch templates, plus, plenty of tips and tricks to boost your creativity and inspire you!



PACC Makers Space: 10am - 2pm | Ages 16+ | \$45

WEDNESDAY 10 DEC

Christmas Trivia and Bingo

Test your festive knowledge in our Christmas Trivia, then try your luck in a few rounds of Bingo! There'll be laughs, prizes, and plenty of holiday cheer.



Cessnock Youth Centre: 3pm - 5pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

MONDAY 15 DEC

DIY Christmas Ornament

Come along to Cessnock youth centre to design and decorate your very own ornaments, perfect for your tree or as a handmade gift.



Cessnock Youth Centre: 3.30pm - 4.30pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

TUESDAY 16 DEC

Christmas Storytime

Families are invited to come along to a special Christmas storytime. Share some favourite Christmas stories and songs and welcome a surprise visitor! Who can it be? Book your spot to find out!

Cessnock Youth Centre: 10am - 10.45am | All Ages | FREE

WEDNESDAY 17 DEC

Christmas Storytime



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Kurri Kurri Library: 10am - 10.45am | All Ages | FREE

Christmas Dinner

Join us for a festive holiday celebration at Cessnock youth centre. Enjoy delicious food, holiday music, fun games, and lots of laughter with your friends.

Cessnock Youth Centre: 3 - 5pm | Ages 11-18 | FREE



THURSDAY 18 DEC



JD's World of Christmas Magic

JD's World of Christmas Magic is back to sprinkle a little festive wonder into your holiday season! Join international award-winning magician Joel Howlett for an interactive, family-friendly spectacular filled with magic, puppets, audience participation, and heaps of Christmas cheer, fun for the young and the young at heart!

PACC Theatre: 6pm | All Ages | \$5pp

FRIDAY 19 DEC

Christmas Felt Photo frame Keychains

Get into the holiday spirit by making your very own felt Christmas-themed photo frame key rings! In this fun, hands-on workshop, kids will create festive designs to hold their favorite memories while making a special gift to cherish or share. BYO Photo. Bookings Required

PACC Makers Space: 4pm - 5pm | Ages 13+ | FREE



MONDAY 5 JAN

Rhymetime

Bring your baby to the library for a special storytime of songs and action rhymes with musical instruments and props.

Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.30am | Ages 0 - 2 | FREE

TUESDAY 6 JAN

Storytime

Children love stories – reading to them helps develop their language and communication skills, enriching their minds and imagination. Share time with other parents who want to give their children a headstart in life.

Cessnock Library : 10am - 10.45am | Ages 2 - 6 | FREE



Lego Club

We supply the Lego – just bring along your imagination!

Cessnock Library: 4pm - 5pm | Ages 5 - 12 | FREE

WEDNESDAY 7 JAN

Rhymetime/Storytime

The perfect combination of our two much loved library programs, Rhymetime and Storytime. This unique program offers a fun and engaging experience for both babies and young children, introducing them to the world of stories, rhyme and music in a warm and welcoming environment.

Cessnock Library: 10am - 11am | Ages 0 - 6 | FREE



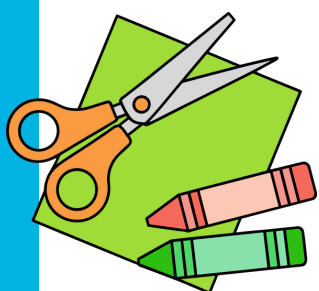
Nature and Nurture: My Place Art Workshop

Get creative these school holidays with Nature & Nurture! Children aged 7+ are invited to celebrate their community by creating a stunning A3 mixed media artwork (using paints, pastels, and pens) focused on the places they love most.

All finished pieces will be displayed in Library Lane as part of the "Our Place / My Place" exhibition then returned to their creators!

Cessnock Library: 10am - 11am | Ages 7+ | FREE

Cessnock Library: 2.30pm - 4pm | Ages 7+ | FREE



Drop In at CYCOS

Looking for a chill place to hang out, meet friends, and have fun? Come down to Cessnock youth centre! Whether you want to play games, try activities, or just relax, there's something for everyone.

Cessnock Youth Centre: 1pm - 4pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

Dungeons and Dragons

Learn the basics of the game, make new friends, and embark on exciting adventures in a fun and safe environment.

Cessnock Youth Center: 4-5pm | Ages 10+ | FREE

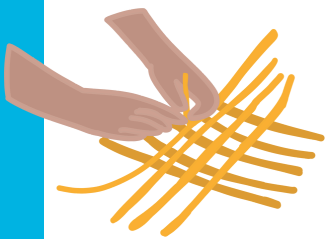


THURSDAY 8 JAN

Sensory Storytime

Children of all abilities and their families are invited to come and join us for an interactive storytelling adventure filled with music, movement, craft and sensory exploration.

Cessnock Library: 10am - 11am | Ages 2 - 6 | FREE



Weaving at Huntlee

Come along and learn to weave with our Aboriginal Community Youth Worker, Simone.

Huntlee Park: 1pm - 2.30pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

Slime Fest Workshop

Come along for a super sticky, wonderfully wiggly, fantastically fun time at our SlimeFest Workshop! Concoct your very own slime masterpiece that you can take home.

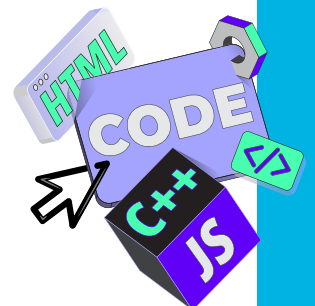


Cessnock Library: 2pm - 3pm | Ages 6 - 12 | FREE

Family Code Club

Have fun, make friends and build cool stuff – learn how to make websites, video games and apps – no coding experience required! Bring along your own headphones if you have some.

Cessnock Library: 4pm - 4.45pm | Ages 8+ | FREE



FRIDAY 9 JAN



Cinema Excursion

Join us on an excursion to Reading Cinema Greenhills. Bus pick up from Cessnock youth centre at 9am, to return at 2:00pm.

Tickets and snacks included.

Cessnock Youth Centre: 9am - 2pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

Unwind & Paint For Teens – the snack edition!

Join Hunter Valley artist Llynda Nairn, the Lady Juggler, for a unique creative session. She'll spark your imagination with fun juggling skills before guiding you to paint 'A Whale of a Time' on a 40x50cm canvas using acrylics. This accessible event welcomes all skill levels, ensuring a relaxing and enjoyable experience for every teenager!

Cessnock Library: 10am - 12pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

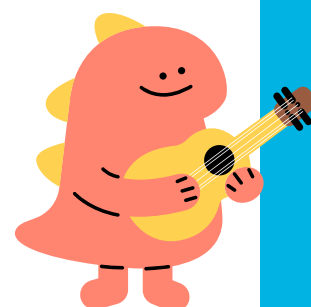
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MONDAY 12 JAN

Rhymetime

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Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.30am | Ages 0 - 2 | FREE



Polymer Clay Creatures

Come along and challenge your friends to a polymer clay creature competition! Create a surprise creature within the time limit and vote on the best design! Prize for the winning creature.

Cessnock Youth Centre: 11am - 1pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

TUESDAY 13 JAN



Wayapa Storytime

Join Darkinjung woman Sarah Corrigan, Owner/Director of Rainbow Crow Cultural Collective, for a special Wayapa Storytime.

Storytelling, movement and nature-based craft are used to introduce children to Wayapa Wuurrk, an Aboriginal based practice promoting sustainability, connection and community.

Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.45am | Ages 2 - 6 | FREE

Lego Club

We supply the Lego – just bring along your imagination!



Cessnock Library: 4pm - 5pm | Ages 5 - 12 | FREE

Silent Disco

Come along to a silent disco at the library! There will be a glow hula hoop performance to kick off the session and there will be headsets for all participants. Our silent disco is led by a professional kids entertainer and educator who will guide the fun with a mix of games, movement activities, and dance!



Kurri Kurri Library: 5.30pm - 6.30pm | Ages 5 - 19 | FREE

WEDNESDAY 14 JAN



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Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.45am | Ages 0 - 6 | FREE



New Year, New Goals: Teen Vision Board Fun

Kick off the new year with your own vision board! We'll supply the board and all the art materials—you just bring photos, quotes, or anything special you want to include. Get creative and set your 2026 intentions in style! Bookings required.

PACC Makers Space: 10am - 11am | Ages 13 - 18 | \$5pp

Breakfast Club Screening

Join us for a screening of the quintessential 80s teen classic, *The Breakfast Club*!

Detention has never been so fun. Grab your snacks and discover what happens when five high school stereotypes—the scholar, the athlete, the outcast, a princess, and a criminal—are forced to share a Saturday. Prepare for legendary high school drama!



Cessnock Library: 12pm - 3.30pm | Ages 11+ | FREE

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Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.45am | Ages 0 - 2 | FREE

DIY Crystal Suncatcher workshop

Young people are invited to come along to this FREE workshop and create their own crystal suncatcher. All materials and snacks provided.

Whisk & Sip Cafe Huntlee: 1pm - 2pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE



Family Code Club

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Cessnock Library: 4pm - 4.45pm | Ages 8+ | FREE

FRIDAY 16 JAN

Design Your Own Back-to-School Bag! (Cricut Workshop)

Get creative and make your school bag totally your own! Use our Cricut machine to design and personalise your bag. Bags are provided, or bring your own to decorate.

Cessnock Library: 10am - 1pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

Drop in Origami

Come and practice your folding and learn some new origami with your friends. We'll provide the supplies. Two session times available. Book your spot.



PACC Makers Space: 2pm - 4pm | Ages 8+ | FREE

MONDAY 19 JAN

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Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.30am | Ages 0 - 2 | FREE



Green Thumbs

Decorate your own terracotta pot with paints and designs that show off your style, then plant a flower to take home and watch it grow. No gardening experience needed, just bring your imagination!

Cessnock Youth Center: 11am - 1pm | Ages 11 - 18 | FREE

Strangers Things Trivia

Think you know every single detail about the Upside Down, the Kids, and the residents of Hawkins? Join us at our Stranger Things Trivia afternoon. Enjoy games, snacks and prizes as you put your knowledge to the ultimate test.

Cessnock Library: 2pm - 3pm | Ages 10 - 18 | FREE



TUESDAY 20 JAN

Wayapa Storytime

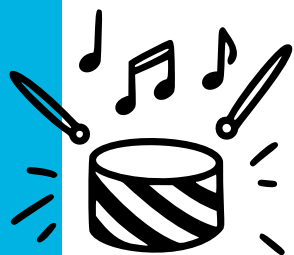
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Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.45am | Ages 2 - 6 | FREE

TUESDAY 20 JAN



Beat It Music & Movement

Unleash the fun with Jo Cook! Get ready for a high-energy music and movement adventure using bucket drums, shakers, scarves, and sticks. This session promises creative rhythm, playful motion, and an abundance of joy!

Kurri Kurri Library: 10.30am - 11.45am | Ages 5 - 12 | FREE

Cessnock Library: 1.30pm - 2.15pm | Ages 5 - 12 | FREE

Film and Craft at Branxton Hall

Come along to Branxton Hall for a viewing of an epic adventure alongside a most unlikely Viking hero and his fierce, yet misunderstood dragon companion. Enjoy snacks and a take home craft.



Branxton Hall: 2pm - 4.30pm | Ages 5 - 12 | FREE



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Be An Artist For a Day

Be an Artist for a day is a creative workshop where Children explore painting, sculpture and drawing in a fun and supportive setting. This program gives young artists the chance to experiment with different mediums, learn new techniques and create artworks they are proud to take home.

PACC Makers Space: 10am - 2pm | Ages 5 - 12 | \$65 or \$110 for two days (day two - Be A Film Maker For a Day)

WEDNESDAY 21 JAN



Wayapa Rymetime/Storytime

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Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.45am | Ages 0 - 6 | FREE



Drop in Origami

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PACC Makers Space: 2pm - 4pm | Ages 8+ | FREE

Dino Detective Training Camp

Calling all junior paleontologists! Join our Dino Detective Training Camp to learn what truly makes a dinosaur. Get hands-on with real fossils, use cool palaeontologist tools like microscopes and brushes to dig for discoveries, and match ancient bones. Every junior detective takes home a fossil!



Cessnock Library: 10am - 11.30am | Ages 6 - 12 | FREE

Kurri Kurri Library: 2pm - 3.30pm | Ages 6 - 12 | FREE

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THURSDAY 22 JAN

Film: Happy Feet

Join us for the Summer school holidays at PACC for a special PACC Cinema Club screening of Happy Feet! Unlike other penguins, Mumble is a gifted tap dancer, which earns him the wrath of the elders of his clan, who send him in exile. Mumble then befriends the Amigos, who help him rediscover himself.



PACC Theatre: 10am | All Ages | \$5pp or Family of 4 \$18

Sensory Storytime

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Cessnock Library: 10am - 10.45am | Ages 0 - 6 | FREE

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Kurri Kurri Library: 4pm - 4.45pm | Ages 8+ | FREE

Be a Film Maker For a Day

Be a Film Maker for a day is an imaginative workshop where children learn how movies are made by creating one themselves. Throughout the program students design characters, build sets and work as a team to produce a short stop motion film.



PACC Makers Space: 10am - 2pm | Ages 5-12 | \$65 or \$110 for Two days (day one - Be An Artist For a Day)

Rock Painting

Come have fun in our rock painting class where you can turn ordinary rocks into colourful works of art! It's a perfect way for kids to get creative, make new friends, and take home their own painted masterpiece. Bookings required.

PACC Makers Space: 10am - 11am | Ages 10+ | FREE



how to book



Cessnock Youth Centre and Outreach Service (CYCOS) events

Scan the QR code to book your spot.
See our socials for more information:
visit [facebook.com/Cessnock YouthCentre](https://facebook.com/CessnockYouthCentre),
call us on 02 4993 4359 or 0401 107 413
or email us at elki.johnson@cessnock.nsw.gov.au

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Cessnock City Libraries events

Scan the QR code to book your spot.
For more info call Cessnock Library on 02 4993 4399 or Kurri Kurri Library on 02 4937 1638
Email us at library@cessnock.nsw.gov.au

Performance Arts Culture Cessnock

Scan the QR code to book your spot, or visit our website mypacc.com.au or call 02 4993 4266



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18 DEC 6PM \$5 Tickets