



Week 5, Term 4, 2022

10/11/2022

Dear Families,

Personalised learning for all

We may be a small school on the outskirts of Sydney, but we are still fully supported by the Department of Education. This week we were able to showcase our beautiful school and all the great things we are doing, during a visit on Tuesday from our Principal School Leadership and on Wednesday during a visit from the Director, Educational Leadership.

It makes me very proud to be able to talk about all the experiences we are able to offer the children and to explain how we personalise the learning to fit the individual needs of each child.

At the bottom of this page and on page 7 you will see photos of the telerobot we have just acquired to enable Ashton to join us remotely in all our lessons. Everyone in the school is committed to meeting the learning needs of all children in the best possible ways, giving our children a strong start in life.

New waterfall and fish pond

Of course our visitors were also very impressed by our new waterfall and fish pond - which we will reveal to you in all its glory in the coming weeks when the landscape is completed. Our amazing General Assistant, Mick Hughes is working hard on making another beautiful feature in our grounds.

Robotics

Remember robotics tomorrow - at the conclusion of the day the children will be dropped at Wisemans Ferry PS at 2:45pm to catch the school bus home.

Kind regards

Sarah

Sarah Allen

Principal

Upcoming dates to remember.....

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| 11 Nov | Robotics/Sport-Maroota PS |
| 15 Nov | The Storyteller |
| 18 Nov | Robotics/Sport-Maroota PS |
| 21 Nov | Dyarubbin Exhibition & Library Excursion |
| 23 Nov | Longneck excursion Yrs 3-4 |
| 25 Nov | Robotics/Sport-Maroota PS |
| 29 Nov | Year 7 Orientation Day-HS |
| 15 Dec | Presentation Assembly |
| 16 Dec | Last day of school T4 for students |
| 19-20 Dec | Staff Development Day |

November Birthdays

5 Nov - Elza
7 Nov - Mrs Walker
14 Nov - Matilda



Happy Birthday!



Term 4 Swimming & Water Safety Program

Our students had a fabulous time at the first of a two day intensive Learn to Swim program that our school is participating in this term. A huge thank you to the coaching staff at the YMCA Hawkesbury Oasis at Windsor! We even had Paralympian Sandy Freeman coaching our students! Our teachers noticed such an improvement in our students skills at the end of the first day!





May the force be with you.....

We have been learning about forces and we have discovered that **magnetism** is a *non-contact* force.

In order to help us to better understand the way in which magnets work, we carried out some very simple investigations.

Check this out:



As a result of our investigations, we were able to conclude that:

- Magnets have a **north** and **south** pole
- Opposite poles *attract*, while like poles *repel* one another
- Rubber, wood and plastic are not magnetic materials
- Materials such as iron and steel are magnetic
- Magnets can make an object move without having to touch the object!

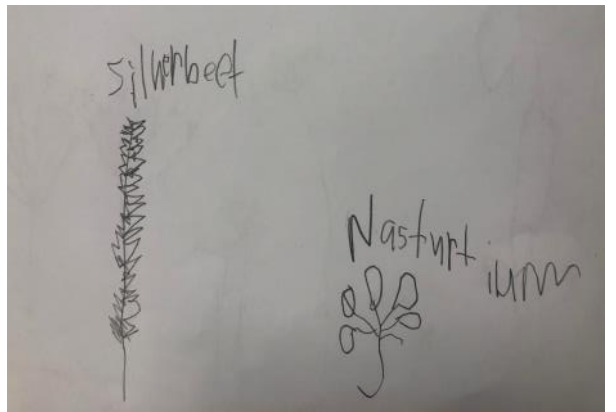
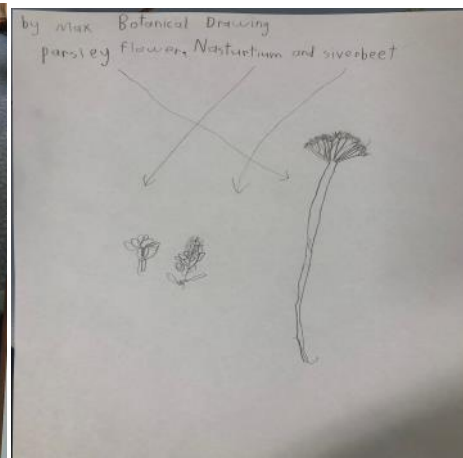
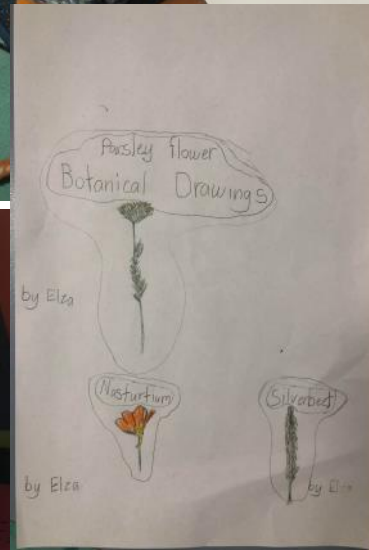
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Botanical Art...

Here are some Mac Valley students showcasing outstanding attention to detail in their botanical drawing this week.

We are observing the cycles in our garden and preparing to collect seeds for replanting.

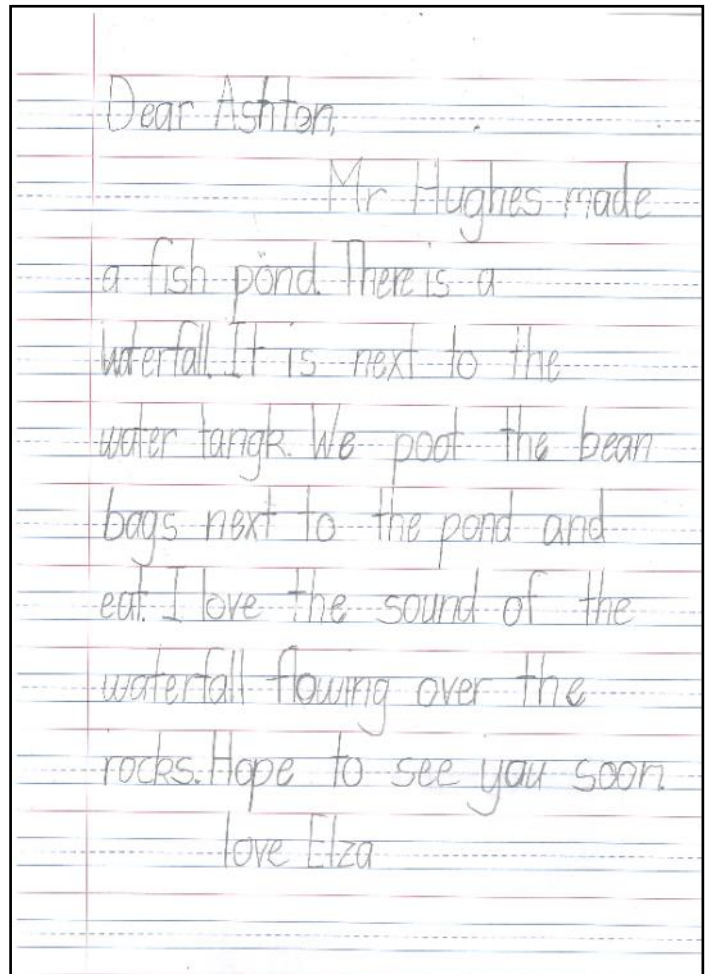
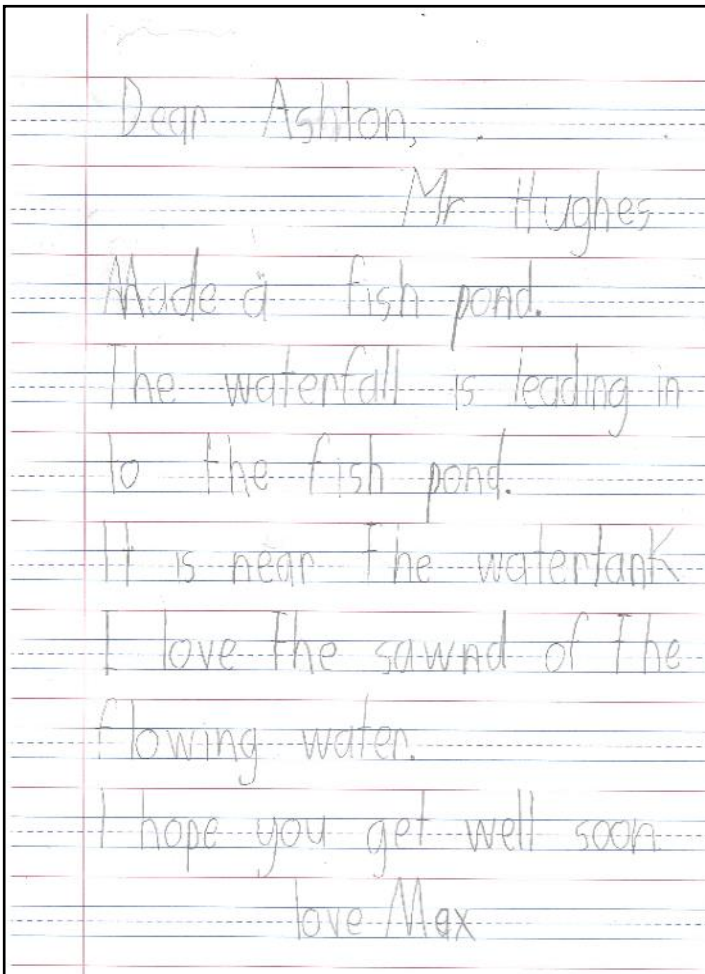
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Letters to Ashton

What beautiful handwriting from Year 1 students Elza and Max. They were so excited to tell Ashton about our new fishpond! We can't wait to share the photos with our school community soon.

Watch this space!

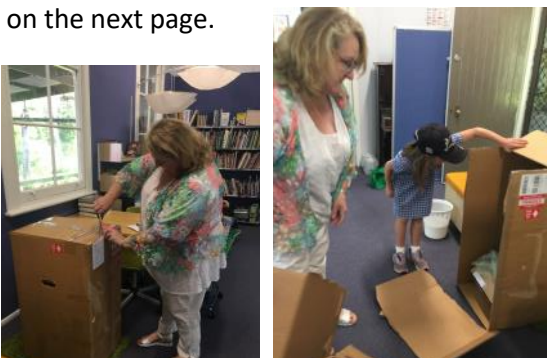


Telerobot

We were all very excited to discover that our Telerobot had been delivered today!

This means that Ashton can join us in class any time he would like to from wherever he is.

If you would like to find out more about our Telerobot please read the information sheet on the next page.



Telepresence Robots:

Building Better Practice for Connecting Students with Serious Illness or Injury to their Classrooms



Around Australia, an estimated 60,000 students with serious illness or injury remain at home or in hospital, missing school. Some miss days and weeks, others miss months and even years. There can be profoundly harmful consequences.¹

Academic achievement may be hindered, relationships with peers and teachers disrupted, and motivation diminished. Isolation from the school community can put students at risk of disengaging from school and learning, with long-term consequences which persist into adulthood.²⁻⁶

With the advent of innovative technologies for communicating, teaching and learning, we now have access to resources and opportunities which were unimaginable in previous generations. Students who cannot physically attend can now “be at school” from wherever they are.

What happens when students with serious illness stay connected?

Maintaining connection keeps students with illness up-to-date socially and academically, helps to normalise a critical period in their life, and gives them a chance to be “just kids” rather than patients. There are positive outcomes for students with illness, support for their siblings and families, and a reduction in the anxiety often experienced by teachers, peers and the broader school communities in this situation.^{2,4,7}



[The robot is] a constant through a very abnormal time ... the social connection can't really be measured, it is fantastic!

Katie Hammond,
Parent

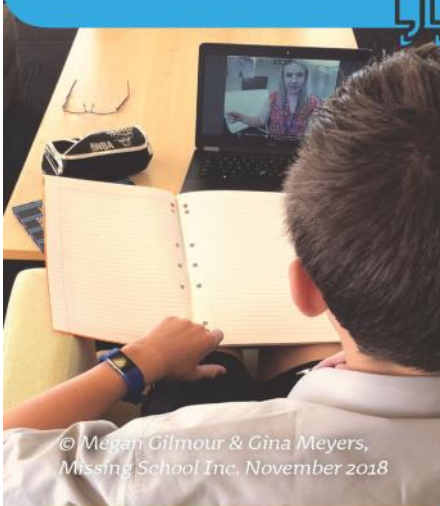


When you're lying in a hospital bed, to be able to engage with your peers, to be able to join in with the learning, is what the student wants to be able to do.

Mercedes Wilkinson,
Principal – The Hospital School at Westmead

It's basically like I am there, interacting. To be involved in the classroom and have that mobility to move around ... and not having to get people to move me, it gives a sense of freedom.

Tom,
Student



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Why telepresence robots?

Telepresence robots live in the regular classrooms of students, and are operated and moved in real-time by the student on their device from the remote location (e.g., home or hospital). The student can see and hear their teachers, be seen and heard, receive the same instruction as their peers, navigate the robot around/between classrooms, socialise with friends, and participate in as much of the school day as possible with their classmates. This means students with significant illness or injury can connect with and participate in their regular school, even while physically absent.

Academic continuity and return-to-school transition

When telepresence robots are deployed to meet a student's social and emotional needs, the benefits to their emotional wellbeing usually flow on to support their academic needs as well.

Trials of the telepresence robots in Australia reported that parents and teachers alike were surprised by how much energy the students had, and how much schoolwork they undertook, when their engagement with the classroom was mediated through the robot.⁸ Furthermore, in two-way digital connection, students reported working harder and feeling less anxious and less depressed because they were able to maintain conversation and engagement with their peers.⁹

When the students were well enough to return to school, they and their classmates were already accustomed to seeing each other regularly and interacting over classroom activities, and so the transition back to school was easily managed, with no particular adjustments needed to classroom social routines.¹⁰



Education

CLEANER NEEDED AT Macdonald Valley Public School!



Approx 2 hours per day!
Flexible hours!

Please contact:

Sarah Allen (Principal) **ph: 68 2120** or email her at:
macdonaldv-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Some things are better together.
Like saving lives.

Join the Ashton's Angels Lifeblood Team and make an appointment to start saving lives at:
- www.lifeblood.com.au
- via the Donate Blood app
- call 131495

Give life. Give blood. lifeblood teams

ST ALBANS

FREE EVENT

END OF YEAR COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Celebrate the year that was! Everyone is welcome!

Join us for FREE pizza, finger food, live music, and lucky door prizes!
This is an alcohol-free event.

When?
2 December 2022 | 5 - 8pm

Where?
Pickled Wombat Cafe

RSVP by 28 November, call 0448 9911 54 or email joanne.mcwilliams@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au

This is a Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Fund Project through the joint Commonwealth/State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

Thank you!

A huge thank you to Deadly Science and Port Macquarie Sunrise Rotary for sending a generous donation of a box of assorted lego to our school.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

DEADLY SCIENCE

Port Macquarie Sunrise Rotary

Proudly packed by the Port Macquarie Sunrise Rotary Club.

Road Safety & Traffic rules Awareness Program (FREE ONLINE) for Schools

Approximately 1.3 million people die each year as a result of road traffic crashes. Between 20 and 50 million people suffer non-fatal injuries, with many incurring a disability as a result of their injury. Road traffic injuries are the leading cause of death for children and young adults aged 5 - 29 years. The main reason behind these road accidents is not following/knowing traffic & road safety rules.

[Trafficquiz.com](https://trafficquiz.com) is **FREE** to use website developed with an aim to spread awareness regarding traffic rules and road safety rules. Through trafficquiz.com school students can learn and test their knowledge about traffic & road safety rules in an entertaining way i.e. by playing quizzes. Teachers and Parents can also use trafficquiz.com regularly to refresh their knowledge about traffic, road safety & child safety rules. School bus drivers can also regularly use it to learn and be conscious about following traffic rules.

Benefit of being **ONLINE** is that trafficquiz.com can be used anytime, anywhere on any device. The links are as follows:

1. For Age group (5 to 9 years):

<https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-junior-level-1/>

2. For Age group (10 to 15 years):

<https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-secondary-level-1/>

3. For Parents (Child safety quizzes):

<https://trafficquiz.com/child-safety-quiz-for-parents-level-1/>

4. For Parents and Teachers (Traffic & road safety rules quizzes):

<https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-for-adults-level-1/>

5. For Drivers and support staff:

<https://trafficquiz.com/road-safety-quiz-for-adults-level-1/>

6. [Road Signs quiz](#)

Why is it necessary?

- About three quarters (73%) of all road traffic deaths occur among young males under the age of 25 years.
- More than half of all road traffic deaths are among vulnerable road users: pedestrians, cyclists, and motorcyclists.
- Road traffic injuries cause considerable economic losses to individuals, their families, and to nations as a whole.

WHAT'S ON

NOVEMBER 2022 - JANUARY 2023

LIBRARY

THIRD THURSDAY BOOK CLUB
THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 10AM - 12PM
Looking to meet a group of like-minded book lovers? Join us for a book club over tea and coffee.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - DROP-IN ACTIVITY, NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SERVICE
TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS, 10AM - 12PM
(Last session 2022: 14 December & first session 2023: 10 January)
Join our volunteers if you witness a crime, and certify your documents.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

KNIT WITH FRIENDS
FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 10AM - 12PM
(Knit with Friends will not be on in December)
Join in with friends to knit and socialise and enjoy a cuppa whilst creating blankets for those in need.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

THIRD TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK CHAT
THIRD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH, 6:30 - 8:30PM
(December session will be on Tuesday 13th)
Come along and meet new people. Have a cuppa, find out about what other are reading and discuss things you love about books.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

MOVIES @ YOUR LIBRARY
SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 10AM - 12PM
Movie titles are listed on Eventbrite for each screening.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - DROP-IN EVENT, BOOKINGS PREFERRED.

CHESS CLUB
FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 3 - 4PM
Whether you are a novice or experienced chess player, drop into the library and join us for a friendly game of chess. A volunteer will be available for any tips or comments. Open to age 16+.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - DROP-IN ACTIVITY, NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

GALLERY

DIYARUBBIN
29 OCTOBER 2022 - 5 FEBRUARY 2023
AT HAWKESBURY REGIONAL GALLERY
Dyarubbin, the Hawkesbury River has been the spiritual, cultural and physical home to the Dhurug people for millennia. Despite periods of loss and devastation, including the frontier wars from 1784, Dhurug people still live and thrive on Dyarubbin. This exhibition shares Dhurug stories of Dyarubbin using oral history, art and Dhurug language, empowering us with a greater understanding of this astonishing landscape and its culture.

This exhibition highlights research by Professor Grace Karstens in 'The Real Secret River', Dyarubbin, a collaborative project with Leanne Watson, Jasmine Seymour, Erin Wilkins and Rhannon Wright which won the SUNSW Coral Thomas Fellowship and featured in the SUNSW exhibition of the same name.

EXHIBITION OPENING EVENT
TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER, 12 - 3PM
Join us for the official opening of the Dyarubbin exhibition. There will be free activities, food, live music and more. Proceedings will include a smoking ceremony by Uncle Wale, welcome to country by Rhannon Wright, and an opening address by Hawkesbury City Mayor Sarah McMahon, followed by live music by Jacinto Tobin.
HAWKESBURY REGIONAL GALLERY
FREE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

CURATOR TALK
WEDNESDAY 2 NOVEMBER, 11AM - 12PM
Join the exhibition curator for insights into the Dyarubbin exhibition.
HAWKESBURY REGIONAL GALLERY
FREE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

DIYARUBBIN: SCHOOL MURAL PROJECT
ON DISPLAY NOW
On a way forward, it is to understand the past. We visited three local primary schools with Aboriginal educator and local, Erin Wilkins who shared the dreamtime story of how the Dyarubbin (Hawkesbury) River came to be. Students from Windsor, Windsor South, and High Park Public Schools learnt about significant Dhurug sites along the amazing watercourse and their history. Each school focused on one important site, creating works depicting its meaning. Supported by National Indigenous Australians Agency.
AT HAWKESBURY REGIONAL GALLERY'S MEZZANINE GALLERY

GALLERY

UNDER THE SURFACE OF THE DYARUBBIN
SATURDAY 2 NOVEMBER, 10AM - 1PM
Discover what - or who lives in the river, the different microclimates that they live, how you can measure water quality and what you can do to help keep the Dyarubbin river healthy for all the people and creatures that rely on it. 10-minute talks about different topics will occur every 20 minutes. Participants can choose to stay for as long or as little as they like. Activities: Waterbugs, examples of water testing, pictures of the wildlife in the river, water data, about the river, waterbug kits, colouring in for kids, and promotion of any other upcoming events. This exhibit includes activities and information for all ages. This event is organised by the Hawkesbury-Nepesin Waterkeeper Alliance partners including Streamwatch and Hawkesbury-Nepesin Landcare Network.
HAWKESBURY REGIONAL GALLERY'S MEZZANINE GALLERY
FREE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA <https://streamwatchwatertrial.eventbrite.com.au>

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ACTIVITIES
A RANGE OF DATES DURING THE JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
Explore Aboriginal language, art and culture in a series of school holiday workshops that focus on local Dhurug language and painting. More information on these workshops will be available in our school holiday flyer or on Eventbrite.
HAWKESBURY REGIONAL GALLERY
\$20 - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

GRACE KARSTENS TALK
SUNDAY 20 JANUARY, 1 - 3PM
Grace Karstens, Professor Emerita of History, will be talking about the research from 'The Real Secret River', Dyarubbin, collaborative project with Leanne Watson, Jasmine Seymour, Erin Wilkins and Rhannon Wright. The project won the SUNSW Coral Thomas Fellowship, featured in the SUNSW exhibition as well as the current Dyarubbin exhibition at the Hawkesbury Regional Gallery and in her book 'People of the River: Lost Worlds of Early Australia' (Allen & Unwin, 2020) which explores the history of Aboriginal people and settlers on Dyarubbin, the Hawkesbury-Nepesin River, from deep time to the colonial period.
HAWKESBURY REGIONAL GALLERY
FREE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

MUSEUM

PARANORMAL INVESTIGATION: HOWE HOUSE
SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER, 8 - 10PM
Join Capture Paranormal in a paranormal investigation of Howe House. Get hands on experience learning how to use modern and old school investigation techniques to communicate with the past in this beautiful historic location. Ages 18+.
AT HAWKESBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM
\$55 + booking fee - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA <https://www.zickytickets.com.au/captureparanormal>

LIGHT UP WINDSOR STREET FAIR
SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER, 8 - 9PM
Celebrate Christmas the Hawkesbury way at the annual Light Up Windsor Street Fair. Windsor Mall and George Street will come to life with festive cheer with the annual street fair. There will be roaming entertainment throughout the evening, including a visit from Santa. The Museum will be open with activities for kids.
AT HAWKESBURY REGIONAL MUSEUM & TOWN CENTRE
FREE - NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

AUSTRALIA DAY
THURSDAY 26 JANUARY, 10AM - 4PM
Hawkesbury Regional Museum will be open normal hours with FREE drop-in activities for kids.
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AT HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA <https://rev2023.eventbrite.com.au>

ONLINE EXHIBITION: TEBBUTT
COMING SOON
Renowned 19th century astronomer and Hawkesbury resident John Tebbutt, is to be the feature of a new online resource developed by the Hawkesbury Regional Museum. Featuring interviews about Tebbutt's astronomical discoveries, an online tour of his Windsor observatory, photographs of his original objects, and detailed information about the life and achievements of this prominent amateur scientist.

MUSEUM

FREE KIDS ACTIVITIES
PICK UP AT THE MUSEUM
Head into the Paradise Lost exhibition and add your drawings to the interactive display. We'll take home one of our exciting new activity and colouring booklets to work on at home. We love to see your finished work so make sure to send us a photo or bring it in with you on your next visit to the museum.

EXHIBITION: PARADISE LOST
ON DISPLAY NOW
Paradise Gardens at Cottal was one of the many amusement parks that provided entertainment in Greater Sydney during the 19th to 1930s. It was a Sydney family favourite, and its grand dinosaur replicas but its memory has since disappeared into obscurity. Through photographs, video footage and souvenirs, this exhibition explores the history of this family fun park.

EXHIBITION: UNCOVERED
ON DISPLAY NOW
Archaeological excavations near Thompson Square between 2016-2020 revealed Aboriginal tools for hunting and fishing, maritime objects, as well as everyday items from colonial life. These artefacts divulge more than 27,000 years of human history. Also included in this exhibition are intricate sections of the brick drainage system dating to 1814-1819 and a digital recreation of some of the earliest remains of a colonial carved built timber vessel. Come and discover these stories and more in UNCOVERED.

11 STORIES FROM THE RIVER
FIRST VISIT TO THE MUSEUM TO COME THIS YEAR.
11 Stories from the River are site-specific, downloadable audio walks, accessible via QR codes presented on signs that will be installed at 11 locations on the Hawkesbury/Dyarubbin river. Underscored by original music, the audio walks will share stories of the history of Dyarubbin's first people, the Dhurug, colonial contact and settlement, geographic features, flood and famine, environmental concerns of what sustainability and rights for the river could look like and much more.

Acknowledgements: A collaborative public artwork led by composer/producer Donagh Sherrard with Hawkesbury Regional Museum, Dhurug Custodian Aboriginal Corporation, WSU Sustainable Futures, Hawkesbury Historical Society, and support from the NSW Government through Creative NSW, Museums and Galleries NSW and the Australia Council for the Arts, the Australian Governments Arts funding and advisory body.

Artist: Big Water Path by Leanne Mulgo Watson.

LIBRARY

IPAD SESSIONS FOR SENIORS
1 NOVEMBER - 31 JANUARY
The Digital Literacy Foundation is bringing free iPad sessions for Seniors to Hawkesbury Library Service. The trial program runs for three months with each participant being provided with an iPad, and internet connection for the duration of the trial. Places are limited so register as soon as possible.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - Register your interest: Digital Literacy Foundation 02 9090 4141
Hawkesbury library service 02 4560 4460

SPECIAL STORYTIME - 2022 SPEECH PATHOLOGY AUSTRALIA BOOK OF THE YEAR
THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER, 10:30AM
Monique, a local Speech Pathologist, will be onsite at Richmond Library to present a special Storytime featuring the winning books of the 2022 Australia Book of the Year Awards 2022.
AT RICHMOND BRANCH LIBRARY
FREE - BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED

BRYCE COURTENAY: STORYTELLING
MONDAY 7 NOVEMBER, 12:30 - 1:30PM
Bryce Courtenay was a born storyteller. What kind of man did it take to conjure these tales? In the new biography 'Courtenay: Behind the memoir' during lockdown, she found herself drawn to the remarkable story of her late husband's life and reflecting upon his astonishing literary legacy. Afternoon tea provided.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
\$5 - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

TOP 10 HINTS ON RESEARCHING CONVICTS - FAMILY HISTORY SESSION
TUESDAY 8 NOVEMBER, 6 - 7PM
How do you confirm if a convict in your family? Where do you find more information? Whether you are starting out or revisiting your research, this session is for you. It will focus on what is available and where you can access the records.
ONLINE VIA ZOOM
\$5 - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA EVENTBRITE OR PHONE 4560 4460

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LIBRARY

UPCYCLING CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS - HAWKESBURY KIDS
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
Council is partnering with the Hawkesbury Remanory and engaging EnviroCoop to deliver a fun, hands-on Christmas decoration upcycling workshop. Turn old CDs and DVDs into attractive and unique Christmas tree decorations to kick start your environmentally friendly festivities!
Presented by Rachel Mackenzie, EnviroCoop Australia.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - AGES 4-12 - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA <https://hccchristmascraft.eventbrite.com.au>

CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA
TUESDAY 13 DECEMBER, 10:30AM - 12PM
Visit the library for a festive community morning tea and live music at Central Library, Windsor. Richmond Branch Library will also be holding a morning tea with plenty of yummy treats.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY & RICHMOND BRANCH LIBRARY
FREE - BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED

SHOW & TELL - HAWKESBURY FAMILY HISTORY GROUP MEETING
WEDNESDAY 14 DECEMBER, 10 - 11:30AM
(via meeting in Jan - next is 8 Feb 2023 in person & via Zoom)
Join us and view an array of family treasures, mementoes, photos and resources.
ONLINE VIA ZOOM & AT HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - IN PERSON NO NEED TO BOOK - IF ATTENDING ON ZOOM BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA EVENTBRITE OR PHONE 4560 4460

TERRARIUM WORKSHOP
THURSDAY 19 JANUARY, 2 - 3PM
Learn how to make an open terrarium to showcase your succulents. All materials provided. This hands-on workshop will teach you the essentials of the craft as you create your own mini terrarium.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
\$15 - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL VIA EVENTBRITE OR PHONE 4560 4460

DISPLAY: WONDERFUL LEGO
COMING JANUARY
This is your last chance to check out the Wonderful Lego Display! There is a lot to admire in the skill and patience of Lego builder and crafter, Andrew, who has loaned a wide variety of transport themed models plus some surprises which will enthrall Lego lovers of all ages.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR

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DISPLAY: COOEE MITTIGAR
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
A selection of artworks will be on display from the stunning picture book 'Cooee Mittigar' created by Jasmine Seymour and Leanne Mulgo Watson. The illustrations tell a story of Dhurug Songlines, Dhurug Nya (Country) and of the connection to the land, in partnership with WestWoods.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR

TECH HELP
THURSDAYS, 10 - 11AM AT WINDSOR
(Last session 2022: 16 December & first session 2023: 5 January)
FRIDAYS, 3 - 5PM AT RICHMOND
(Last session 2022: 16 December & first session 2023: 6 January)
Library staff and volunteers can assist you with your technology problems.
RICHMOND & WINDSOR BRANCHES
FREE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - PHONE (02) 4560 4466

RHYMETIME
MONDAYS 10 - 10:30AM
(Last session 2022: 12 December & first session 2023: 30 January)
Introduce your child to the joys of literacy with simple stories, songs, and nursery rhymes. Lots of fun for babies, toddlers, and their siblings.
HAWKESBURY CENTRAL LIBRARY, WINDSOR
FREE - DROP-IN ACTIVITY, NO BOOKINGS REQUIRED

PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIME
TUESDAYS 11 - 11:45AM
(Last session 2022: 13 December & first session 2023: 31 January)
THURSDAYS 11 - 11:45AM AT RICHMOND
(Last session 2022: 15 December & first session 2023: 2 February)
Join us for some entertaining stories, craft activities and lots of fun at our STORYTIME for Pre-schoolers. Older siblings are welcome.
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A big thank you to the following individuals and businesses for their generous donations for our Presentation Day ceremony.

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Our students are encouraged by the generosity of local business and community groups who have seen the value of promoting the pursuit of excellence. Your support of our school is very much appreciated.

If any local businesses would like to support our Presentation Day Ceremony, we would be most grateful to receive a donation for the purchase of book vouchers as prizes for our students or towards the cost of our ceremony. Donors will be acknowledged in our program and our school newsletter.

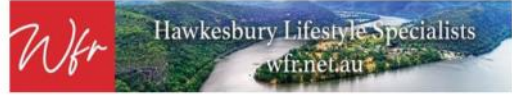
If you are interested in becoming a donor (from \$20 for a book voucher or assistance towards costs) please contact Mrs Stafford or Mrs Smart in our:

School Administration office

Phone: 4568 2120.

Macdonald Valley Public School

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MacValley Stars



We are very proud of our students' achievements in external events & competitions and are committed to recognising their achievements, however, this cannot happen unless we are informed. Please ring us or send us something in writing if your child or a group of students achieve success in external events so we can recognise their achievements in our weekly newsletters.

**Mrs Stafford/Mrs Smart
(School Administration Managers)**

MACDONALD VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C NOTICEBOARD

Our P&C meetings are held once a term on a Monday in the Library.

Our next P&C meeting will be held in Term 4 2022 at a date to be advised.

ALL WELCOME!

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