

# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**Term 3 Week 10 2023**  
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

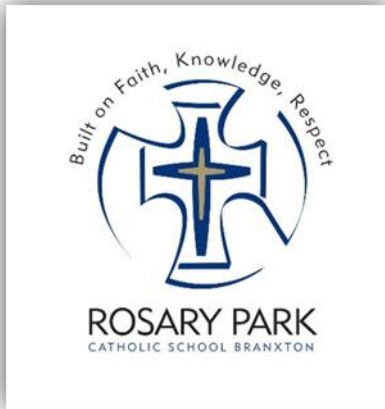
Rosary Park Catholic School

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*We acknowledge the Wonnarua people-the first custodians of this land*



Built on Faith, Knowledge, Respect

*The Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults - particularly those who participate in the life of the Diocese. All employees are required to undergo a National Police Check and, where legislated, hold a Working with Children Check. Diocesan workers are expected to personally adopt and enact the Diocese's Safeguarding Commitment Statement.*

## IMPORTANT DATES 2023

**Weekly Mass Times: 6pm Saturday Branxton; 8am Sunday Greta**

SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER	
Fri 22nd	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 3</b>	Fri 27th	Stage 2 & 3 Netball Gala Day Maitland
OCTOBER		DECEMBER	
Mon 9th	<b>FIRST DAY OF TERM 4</b>	Mon 4th	Step Up Morning for 2024 Classes
Tue 17th	P&F Meeting – 6pm via Zoom	Wed 6th	Year 6 Farewell Liturgy and Dinner 5:00pm
Fri 13th	Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day – parents invited to join us from 2pm <b>NO ASSEMBLY</b>	Fri 8th	End of Year Awards 9:45am
Fri 13th	Socktober fundraiser for Missions	Mon 11th	Swimming Carnival – for swimmers 8 years and over
Fri 20th	Colour Run	Fri 15th	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 4 &amp; 2023</b>

## IMPOTANT DATES FOR 2024:

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024

Year 1-6 return to school

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Kindergarten students begin

## Principal's Message



### **Safeguarding**

#### **Safeguarding Promoter & Parents & Friends Association**

The safety, welfare and wellbeing of our students is paramount.

The Promoter of Safeguarding (our Principal) is responsible for ensuring the school adheres to the [National Catholic Safeguarding Standards](#) and receives support from the Office of Safeguarding (OoSG) and the school leadership team to develop localised strategies to ensure compliance is achieved.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please speak to Sallyanne Stanbridge

'Safeguarding' is also a standing agenda item in the Principal's P and F meeting reports so please feel free to join any of the upcoming meetings to have your say and make a difference, not just in Safeguarding but in special events, projects and activities ran at that the school.

### **Child Safety**

As we begin our school holidays, please remain vigilant as to the whereabouts of your child/ren. Whilst we may live in a small town, we can nevertheless drop our guard where the safety of our children is concerned. Please remind your child of the dangers of engaging in conversation with strangers regardless of what they may say or offer your child. Do they know what to do in instances such as these? Please talk with your child about this.

### **Staffing**

Annmaree Hooker has retired from her Learning Support Teacher position. Following recent interviews held I am pleased to announce that Nichola Ellis was appointed to the permanent Learning Support Teacher role. She is currently temporary in the role.

Congratulations to Nick Standing, Naomi Rodwell and Chloe Morgan who have been appointed to permanent full-time positions at Rosary Park.

Simone Cameron has been appointed to a permanent 2 day/week position.

Emelia Lindus, Jack Montgomery, and Ellen Rae have been appointed to full time temporary positions for 2024.

Annikie Rooke has resigned from her position at Rosary Park. We thank her for her years of service at Rosary Park.

### **The Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012**

Under this legislation people who undertake a role in child-related work in a paid or volunteer capacity in the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle are required by law to have a Working with Children Check Clearance. This 'Clearance' can be obtained from applying online at [check@kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au](mailto:check@kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au). As a parent, if we learn about a staff member or a volunteer

working in the school without a Clearance, we should talk with the Principal or Assistant Principal as soon as possible. If we believe that nothing is being done about our concerns, we can contact the Office of Safeguarding directly (Ph. 4979 1390 Mon-Fri).

### **Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle Reporting Policy**

As a parent we can report any concerns we have for a student, or group of students, to our principal, assistant principal or directly to the Office of Safeguarding (Ph. 4979 1390 Mon-Fri). Information about reporting concerns for a child can be found on the Office of Safeguarding website: <https://officeofsafeguarding.org.au/reporting-abuse/>. As parents we are entitled to contact the Office of Safeguarding directly about any concerns we have about the safety, welfare or wellbeing of a child or if we are concerned that the school isn't addressing allegations of reportable conduct or abuse.

### **Mercy Caring Group**

Following in the footsteps of our Founders, the Sisters of Mercy, Rosary Park has a Mercy Caring group. This is a group of parents who may be called upon to give assistance or support to families in times of need. This may be meals, transport, or assistance with pick up/drop off of children. Thank you to the many families who are a part of this Mercy caring group. If you would like to join the group, please email us at [admin@branxton.catholic.edu.au](mailto:admin@branxton.catholic.edu.au) and your details will be given to Jess Dougherty our Pastoral Care Worker who co-ordinates this group.

### **End of year awards**

We will continue with the same format for our end of year awards in 2023. We will hold these at Rosary Park Hall on Friday 8 December from 9:45am. This will also include our end of year liturgy and announcement of 2024 leaders. Further information to follow.

Thank you for your support of our school throughout the term. I hope you can enjoy some Spring sunshine and precious family time. I will return from leave on Thursday 12 October.

Kind regards,

Sallyanne Stanbridge (Principal)

## **Assistant Principal's Message**

### **Uniform**

We still have a number of children without hats at school and a number of items in the lost property box. Please ensure all items that come to school are clearly labelled, including lunch boxes and drink bottles. Names tend to fade over time. We would appreciate it if parents could check, and rewrite faded names before the children return to school next term. Children without a hat will be limited to playing under the sheltered areas of the playground.

### **Hairstyles**

Hair must be neat and tidy. Please be mindful when visiting the hairdressers in the holidays, in keeping with the school tone, hairstyles should not be outlandish - no Mohawks, tracks or rat tails. Extremes of style and colour are not appropriate. Layering of hair or changes in length from front to back should be subtle and blended through. Children with long hair past their collar, should have it tied back in a band.

### **End of Term**

As we come to the end of term 3, teachers are busy planning engaging classroom programs across the curriculum to help children achieve their identified goals.

I have really enjoyed reading through this newsletter and seeing all the wonderful photos of the amazing things our children have been doing over the past few weeks. I hope you all enjoy it as much as I have.

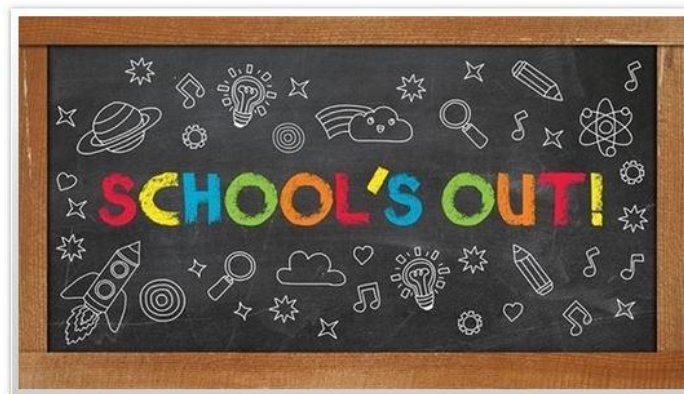
I hope everyone enjoys some extra quality time with family and friends during the holidays. Don't forget to keep seeking colour run sponsors, I am excited about this fun day with the children. I look forward to returning for term 4, our final (and very busy) term for 2023.

God Bless and Stay Safe,

Janelle Dixon  
Assistant Principal

## Religious Education Coordinator's Message

### Prayer



We thank you Lord, for this term.

For the challenges, the successes,  
and the mistakes from which we have learnt.

Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.

Give us strength and courage to do what is right:  
to be witnesses of our faith.

Help us to be a practical Christian these holidays, to appreciate what  
others do for us, to give time and effort to help others.

To be peacemakers in our family.

Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun.

Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term.

We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents  
and a community that cares for us.

May we always be conscious of you in our lives.

Amen

### Save the Date:

On Friday 13 October we will celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Our school is named after Mary the mother of Jesus and the Rosary is the important prayer of Mary. On the 13th we will have a games afternoon, cake stall and wear socks for Socktober, a fundraiser for Missions. There will be NO awards assembly on Friday 13 October. Parents are invited to join us from 2pm for a game's afternoon.



## LET'S KICK GOALS FOR GOOD!

Join us at our Socktober Event Day on

13th October Week 1 Term 4

Rosary Park Catholic School

as we raise funds support better health and education outcomes  
for children like Jose in Timor-Leste.

Wear your sports uniform and your favourite coloured socks, and don't forget to sign up online!



[socktober.org.au](http://socktober.org.au)



### Parish News:

#### First Holy Communion

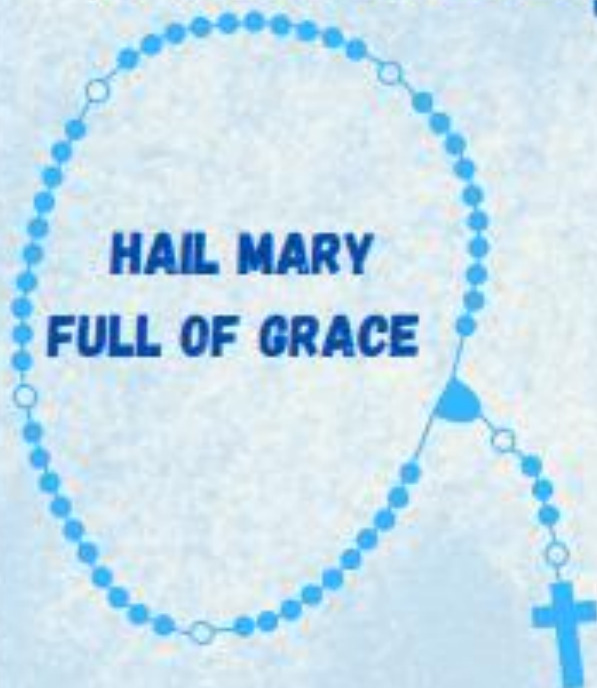
Congratulations to the Rosary Park children who received their First Holy Communion last Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> of September.



As the term comes to a close, I wish you all a safe and happy holiday,  
God bless.

Mackenzie Gageler  
Religious Education Coordinator

# Our Lady of the Rosary Feast Day



**CAKE STALL (GOLD COIN  
DONATION)**

**SCHOOL TALENT QUEST  
TABLOID SPORTS**

**AFTERNOON(PARENTS INVITED TO  
JOIN FROM 2PM).**

**SAVE THE  
DATE: FRIDAY  
13TH OCTOBER**

**CRAZY SOCKS (GOLD COIN  
DONATION)**



## Does your child ride a bike or walk to and from school?

The Catholic Schools Office and Transport for NSW (TfNSW) Government guidelines states that parents must give written permission each year, for their child/ren to ride their bike or walk to and from school, with parents aware that children are under parent's duty of care once they leave school grounds. The School and TfNSW recommends that children under 10yrs DO NOT ride bicycles to or from school unless accompanied by an adult. Children under 12yrs should ride away from busy roads. They may ride bikes on the footpath unless there are signs that specifically prohibit cycling.

These permission notes need to be completed once each year per child. If your child/ren is likely to walk or ride to or from school, and you have not already done so, please complete the permission note available with this newsletter or contact the office to arrange for a note to be sent home with your child.

Kind Regards,  
Amber Van Duuren  
Primary Coordinator

## Fire Safety Talk

On Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of September, Rosary Park was lucky enough to have a visit from our local Fire Brigade. Students from Year 1 to Year 6 experienced a talk about what to do in a fire, having a Fire Plan at home and other useful fire safety information.





## Kindergarten Oakvale Excursion

Monday was a busy day at Rosary Park with Kindergarten heading to Oakvale Farm on an excursion. As you can see from the photos, a great time was had by all.





## School Concert 2023

We hope you all enjoyed our Whole School Concert as much as we did, watching our students shine on stage. Here are some backstage pictures for you.



## Weekly Awards

Congratulations to those children who have received awards this past fortnight.

### Week ending Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 (Week 7)

<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Award One</b>	<b>Class Award Two</b>	<b>MJR Award</b>
<b>Kinder Blue</b>	Eva S	Bradley S	Jesse J
<b>Kinder White</b>	Lara t	Winnie C	Hugh M
<b>Year 1 Blue</b>	--	--	--
<b>Year 1 White</b>	Vincent L	Ava W	
<b>Year 2 Blue</b>	Annabelle L	Reid E	Annie H
<b>Year 2 White</b>	--	--	--
<b>Year 3 Blue</b>	Isaac L	Zoey D	Max K
<b>Year 3 White</b>	--	--	--
<b>Year 4 Blue</b>	Hugh M	Elijah C	Mia W
<b>Year 4 White</b>	Lola M	Owen C	Kendra C
<b>Year 5 Blue</b>	Jaegar D	Aubree C	Elara B
<b>Year 5 White</b>	Isabelle T	Eamon H	Brooke H
<b>Year 6 Blue</b>	Indianna S	Indy Y	Olivia L
<b>Year 6 White</b>	Jamie R	Bryden k	Sophia H

### Week ending Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022 (Week 8)

<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Award One</b>	<b>Class Award Two</b>	<b>MJR Award</b>
<b>Kinder Blue</b>	Evie E	Lincoln H	Carley O
<b>Kinder White</b>	--	--	--
<b>Year 1 Blue</b>	Ava M	Aiden I	Piper R
<b>Year 1 White</b>	Angus W	Matilda C	Finn R
<b>Year 2 Blue</b>	Mason C	Hudson L	Matilda M
<b>Year 2 White</b>	Louella T	Campbell C	Ken P
<b>Year 3 Blue</b>	Blake C	Jaxon B	Sasha A
<b>Year 3 White</b>	Luke H	Hunter B	Lachlan B
<b>Year 4 Blue</b>	Cruz G	Ezme-Rose S	Sam J
<b>Year 4 White</b>	Madden T	James D	Georgie W
<b>Year 5 Blue</b>	--	--	--
<b>Year 5 White</b>	David H	Saige M	Aliyah P
<b>Year 6 Blue</b>	Ava J	Lara D	Stella W
<b>Year 6 White</b>	Teirrah-Jean M	Lina P	Jordan G

## Principal's Awards

Boston B, Jesse C, Mikayla G, Quinn M, Noha M, Emily a, Brooklyn Y, Ellie Y, Koa VW, Addison R, Willow Jx2, Angus W, Charli C, Emily-Rose Ax2, Mia W, Marshall C, Lachlan B, Samantha F, Sofia P, Annabelle L, Max K, Angus W, Charli C, Alfie W, Aubree M, Stella W, Will L, Evie E



## Rosary Park Branxton Permission Slips

Permission to either walk or ride to and from school is to be authorized by the Parents/Caregiver (please complete the following)

1. I authorise my child to

- ☐ Walk unaccompanied
- ☐ Ride a bicycle unaccompanied (see bicycle rules below)

### For Bicycle Riding - Parent/Caregiver Permission Note

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ (child's/student's name) to ride his/her bicycle to and from school in 20\_\_\_\_\_

- I have read and understand the bicycle information provided in this Traffic Management Plan
- I have read and explained the bicycle information provided in this Traffic Management Plan
- I have reviewed the "[A guide to bicycle maintenance: Eight Point Safety Check](#)" to check my child's bicycle for roadworthiness and understand that it is my responsibility to keep the bike well maintained with all component parts working correctly
- My child will correctly wear a Standards Australia approved helmet when riding a bicycle to and from school
- I understand that bicycles are brought to school at the owner's and user's risk

<b>Signed (Parent/Caregiver):</b>	<b>Relationship to child/student:</b>	<b>Date:</b>

### Bicycle User Commitment

- I have read and understand the bicycle information provided in this Traffic Management Plan
- My Parent/Caregiver has read and understood the bicycle information provided in this Traffic Management Plan
- I understand that it is a joint responsibility between my Parents/Caregivers and I to keep the bike well maintained with all component parts working correctly
- I will wear my Standards Australia approved helmet correctly when riding a bicycle to and from school
- I understand that I bring my bicycle to school at my own risk and will secure it in the bike rack
- I will not lend my bike to another student when travelling to and from school
- I will not carry any passengers on my bike

<b>Signed (Child/Student):</b>	<b>Signed (Parent/Caregiver):</b>	<b>Date:</b>

## ROSARY PARK CANTEEN MENU

HOT FOOD	DRINKS
Large pie	Water
Small party pie	Chocolate Milk
Sausage Roll	Strawberry milk
Small Sausage roll	Apple juice
Lasagne	Apple Black currant juice
Chicken Nachos	Orange Juice
Zucchini Slice	
Chicken burger	FRUIT
Chicken burger cheese only	Orange slice tub
Chicken Burger no sauce or added	Watermelon tub
Chicken Burger with salad	
Cheeseburger	FROZEN ITEMS
Hamburger with salad	Moosie chocolate
Gluten Free Chicken burger	Moosie Blue Moon
Gluten free Beef burger	Ice cream tub
Gluten free Hamburger	Juicie- tropical, berry, orange, lemonade
Gluten free Pie	Berry icy pole
Gluten free Sausage roll	TNT- blue raspberry, strawberry, watermelon
Gluten free spinach ricotta roll	Jelly
Vege Burger	
Hot Lunch Special (monthly item)	SNACKS
Pizza Ham cheese/Hawaiian	Grain waves
Toasted Ham Cheese Wrap	Sea salt chips
Toasties Cheese/Ham cheese	Popcorn
Sauce portion BBQ /tomato	Banana bread
	Mini muffin
<b>SALADS AND SANDWICHES</b>	
Mexican Wrap	
Salad Tub- choice of Garden/Egg Chicken Ham	
Salad Roll/Sandwich/Wrap Ham Chicken Egg Plain salad with cheese	

Please note wholemeal bread and rolls are used in this canteen for all fresh sandwiches, rolls, burgers, and toasties.

Current prices can be viewed on [Qkr!](#) App, the online ordering platform for our school.



# HUNTLEE

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## KIDS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

### Week One

Monday 25th Paper plane fun  
Tuesday 26th Coffee Cup Decorating  
Wednesday 27th Bingo  
Thursday 28th Colouring and Popcorn  
Friday 29th Disco

### Week Two

Monday 2nd NO ACTIVITY (Public Holiday)  
Tuesday 3rd Cupcake Decorating  
Wednesday 4th Bingo  
Thursday 5th Movie & Popcorn Day  
Friday 6th Disco

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# SPRING VACATION CARE

25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER – 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023

**Rosary Park Catholic School**

36 Station St, Branxton

0448 751 549

7:30am – 6:00pm



# WEEK ONE

## KEY Price per day

### Day Camp



\$70

### Incursions



\$80

### Excursions



\$90

## MONDAY 25TH

### SPRING AND NATURE DAY

Venture into the wilderness as we explore nature with a scavenger hunt, gardening experiences and create nature-inspired crafts and bird feeders.

Outcome 2- Children become socially responsible and show respect for the environment.



## TUESDAY 26TH

### LEGO® BUILDERS PARADISE with BRICKS 4 KIDZ

Join Bricks 4 Kidz for a day of non-stop LEGO® fun and creativity as we build unique creations, play games and have loads of fun while learning and exploring together!

Outcome 4- Children develop a range of thinking skills such as experimentation, hypothesizing, researching and investigating.



## WEDNESDAY 27TH

### SPRING IMMERSION at MAITLAND PARK

Escape to nature and enjoy a day of outdoor fun at Maitland Park! Play, run, explore vast green spaces, enjoy some fun group outdoor games and create your own kite and watch it soar.

Outcome 2- Children and young people become socially responsible and show respect for the environment.



## THURSDAY 28TH

### OCEAN EXPLORATION

Dive into the wonders of the ocean! Immerse yourself in exciting ocean and fishing games and unleash your creativity by making your own sea creatures. Enjoy a captivating ocean film and learn all about the harm of plastic in the ocean.

Outcome 2- Children and young people become socially responsible and show respect for the environment.



## FRIDAY 29TH

### BANG THE DRUM

Find your rhythm with drumming activities by Kids on Kongas! Discover the joy of making music using Konga Drums and infectious high energy beats. Create & decorate your very own Chinese drum to take home.

Outcome 4- Children and young people resource their own learning through connecting with people, place, technologies and natural and processed materials



# WEEK TWO



## MONDAY 2ND

PUBLIC HOLIDAY – SERVICE CLOSED

## TUESDAY 3RD

### DULLBOY'S EXCURSION

Brace yourself for a day of exhilarating adventures at Dullboys Social Co! Engage in a friendly competition during an exciting round of tenpin bowling. Challenge yourself with an array of arcade games and put your skills to the test at the captivating mini-golf course.

**OUTCOMES 3-** Children become strong in their physical learning and wellbeing.



## WEDNESDAY 4TH

### A DAY AT THE CARNIVAL

Step right up to our carnival day, where the main attraction is a Mystery magician! Who will astound you at every turn. Get ready for a day of laughter, magic and mesmerising acts. From thrilling games to delightful balloon art, this carnival adventure promises excitement & fun!

**OUTCOMES 4-** Children develop a range of thinking skills such as experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating.



## THURSDAY 5TH

### SCIENCE DISCOVERY DAY

Bring your own T-shirt or pillowcase and get ready to rock vibrant colors and groovy patterns. Create your own wearable works of art. Discover the excitement of Science through Dominos games, sandpit volcanos, exploding bags, rockets, playdough and sherbet making.

**OUTCOMES - 4** Children develop a range of thinking skills such as experimentation, hypothesising, researching and investigating.



## FRIDAY 6TH

### WOOD WORKING AND CONSTRUCTION DAY

Unleash your inner builder with woodworking and construction fun! From paddlepop stick crafts to wooden naughts and crosses, and even crafting a stick-made Aboriginal shelter, this day is all about hands-on creativity and learning.

**OUTCOMES 4-** Children and young people resource their own learning through connecting with people, place, technologies and natural and processed materials.





## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REQUEST A BOOKING



### WHAT TO BRING

- ▶ **Wide-brimmed hat** – School hats are usually best. When the UV is 3 or above, children will be required to wear a hat. Sunscreen is provided and routinely applied as per our Sun Protection Policy. If your child is sensitive to standard broad-spectrum 30+ sunscreen, please provide appropriate sunscreen clearly labelled with your child's name.
- ▶ **Morning tea and lunch** – OOSH staff are not able to heat or cook food. Please ensure anything sent can be eaten straight from their lunch box. Our service is a nut-free zone. Breakfast and afternoon tea are provided.
- ▶ **Enclosed shoes** must be worn, such as joggers or sneakers.
- ▶ **Refillable water bottle.**
- ▶ **Spare set of clothes** in case of an accident or excessive mess.
- ▶ **Jumper or jacket**

### BOOKING CHECKLIST

No booking is accepted until all the following items have been completed and you have received emailed confirmation from your service's Nominated Supervisor:

- ☐ Complete our online booking request form, located at [stnicholasoosh.org.au/vacation-care](http://stnicholasoosh.org.au/vacation-care)
- ☐ Confirm your enrolment details are up to date through Xplor (if you are not yet enrolled with St Nicholas OOSH, you will be sent a link)
- ☐ Any outstanding fees have been paid

### CHILD CARE SUBSIDY (CCS)

Did you know you are entitled to a discount of up to 85% (90% from July 2023) off your fees through the Australian Government's Child Care Subsidy?

To ensure you receive your entitled subsidy, remember to confirm your CCS enrolment via the Centrelink website or app.

### CANCELLATIONS AND ABSENCE

To change your booking, simply submit a new online booking form with your updated preferred days.

To cancel a booking, you can contact our Admin and Client Services team via email – [vaccationcare@stnicholasmn.org.au](mailto:vaccationcare@stnicholasmn.org.au).

Please note, our cancellation policy requires notice of five (5) business days for cancellation of Vacation Care bookings. If you cancel within 5 business days of your booking, you will be charged the full rate.

If your child is sick or otherwise unable to attend one of your bookings, please let us know with as much notice as possible by phoning or texting the service's mobile number. Please note, you will still be liable for any fees incurred on this day. If children are unwell, please refrain from bringing them to care.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Risk assessments are completed for all excursions and are available onsite for viewing. An OOSH staff member can provide a copy of any risk assessments to parents/caregivers upon request.

Please note, the suggested outcome may not map the pedagogical intent of the planned experience. This is a broad suggestion, but should not be held as the only possibility. The choice of an outcome relates directly to the learning and benefits we anticipate children will gain from the experience, however should you wish to alter this outcome due to your own curriculum understanding, we welcome this.





## PSYBER

Teaching the life skills of the digital world

### Cybersecurity workshops are coming to the Hunter Valley!

This year, Psyber is making its way to the Hunter Valley for one weekend, and one weekend only!

We are making our highly-rated cybersecurity programs available to your local community at the Rydges Resort Hunter Valley. Running four hands-on workshops covering the most important cybersecurity topics your children need to know about, they are guaranteed to leave this session equipped with the skills to protect themselves online.

More information about each workshop can be found below:

Date	Session	Description	Registration Link
Saturday, 23 September 2023 9:30AM - 10:30AM	Reel in that Phish	Educate children on the most dangerous cybersecurity threat facing them today - phishing. This interactive and hands-on workshop empowers children with the knowledge to understand what a phishing attack is, what cues to look out for to identify one, and how they can better protect themselves online.	<a href="https://psyberaish.eventbrite.com">https://psyberaish.eventbrite.com</a>
Saturday, 23 September 2023 1:00PM - 2:00PM	Cyber Quest Escape Room	This interactive workshop enables children to develop a well-rounded understanding of cybersecurity topics and learn valuable and practical skills to protect themselves against growing digital threats. Solve cybersecurity-themed puzzles and challenges, from encryption riddles, password puzzles, to malware hunts and more, you don't want to miss this!	<a href="https://psyberaish.escape-room.eventbrite.com">https://psyberaish.escape-room.eventbrite.com</a>
Sunday, 24 September 2023 9:30AM - 10:30AM	Footprints in the Digital Sands	What we share online builds up our digital footprint, and this has the potential to impact our future in ways we can never imagine. For children, their digital footprint starts younger and younger. In this hands-on workshop, children will learn about their digital presence and gain actionable tips to navigate the online world responsibly and safely, covering topics such as online privacy and safe browsing habits.	<a href="https://psyberaish.giftfootprints.eventbrite.com">https://psyberaish.giftfootprints.eventbrite.com</a>
Sunday, 24 September 2023 1:00PM - 2:00PM	Securing the Digital Feast	Turn dinner time into valuable opportunities for open discussions about online safety. In this workshop, children use their minds, hearts and hands to create cybersecurity placemats. These will cover the key cybersecurity practices to protect yourself online, and will act as conversation starters during mealtime with friends and family!	<a href="https://psyberaish.acematis.eventbrite.com">https://psyberaish.acematis.eventbrite.com</a>

Enter the new school term with cyber savvy children! They might even teach you a thing or two...

### Who is Psyber?

Our team of industry experts and passionate educators deliver cybersecurity education to children globally. 94% of all children use the internet by the age of 4. Through workshops, school programs and educational products, we empower children with the knowledge and skills to protect themselves against online threats.



## HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

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**School  
Holidays  
Sep. 25th to  
Oct. 8th**

## JOIN THE BIGGEST BEAR HUNT IN NEWCASTLE

### WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT!

Wed 27 September & Wed 4 October

Bring your teddy and join the crew as we explore the Wetlands, hunt for bears, do some Teddy Bear craft and even encounter some reptiles!

Bear hunts leave from the children's playground at 10am, 11am and 12 noon.

**Activity : children \$5 (+ entry—see entry fees below)**

Beat the queue and book online at

<https://wetlands.org.au/calendar/>



### BEAR HUNTS ALL HOLIDAYS

September 25 to October 8

Can't make the special guided Bear Hunts on Wednesdays? No worries, the bears will be hanging out at the Wetlands the whole school holidays. Pick up a free map and clues at receptions and go on your own Bear Hunt. Bring your teddy and a picnic and have a Teddy Bears Picnic!

**Activity : Free with entry (see entry fees below)**



### BIODIVERSITY—THREATENED SPECIES WALK

Too grown-up for bear hunts, try the Threatened Species Walk. Check out the Bittern Bird Hide, Reed Marsh Board Walk, the Rain-forest Shelter & more. Wear your walking shoes, bring a water bottle & snacks and find out more about the Wetlands and biodiversity.



## BRING THE FAMILY TO THE HUNTER WETLANDS CENTRE

A fun, environmentally friendly learning experience! Open 9am to 4pm

**Entry: \$7.50 Per person 15 yrs & over, Children 4 to 14 yrs \$5 Children under 4 free.**

**Pensioner Concession: \$5 Family: \$20 (2 x 15yrs & over + 2 x 5 to 14yrs)**

There's lots to do at the wetlands: try dip-netting, visit the Animal House, Magpie Geese feeding, have fun at the playground, climb the Egret Tower, go canoeing.

More details at: [www.wetlands.org.au](http://www.wetlands.org.au)

**Wetlands Cafe:** Open 9.30am to 2.30pm daily

**Closed in shoes, hat, sunscreen and insect repellent recommended.**



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