



Hobsons Bay Children's Week

22-30
OCTOBER
2022



**Free
Events**

For children aged
up to 12 years

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER

TOY LIBRARY STAY & PLAY – NEWPORT BRANCH

9.30AM TO 12.30PM
3 months to 6 years

Come along and discover the Hobsons Bay Toy Library! Play with our fun toys, take part in activities, meet other local families, and reconnect with your community. Everyone welcome - members and non members alike! We can't wait to see you.

NEWPORT GARDENS EARLY YEARS CENTRE
51 Maddox Road, Newport. Enter via side gate.

No bookings required

SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER

DROP-IN STEM SESSIONS

Half hour drop-in sessions between
10.00AM AND 3.00PM
4 – 11 years

Families are invited to explore STEM activity stations at SciencePlay Kids! Make your own race car and test ramp angles to build up momentum and explore analogue coding using teeny tiny robots the size of golf balls. Chill out in the science book reading area or click together a network of pipes then fill them up with water. What happens when the pressure builds up? Are there any leaks? How big can you make your pipe maze?

Parents must stay with their children during the session.

SCIENCEPLAY KIDS
32 Lobelia Dr, Altona North

Bookings are essential via
www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/childrensweek

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TOY LIBRARY STAY & PLAY – LAVERTON BRANCH

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HOBSONS BAY TOY LIBRARY
15 Crown Street, Laverton

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SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER

ALTONA HOCKEY JUNIOR CLUB – COME & TRY

1.00PM TO 2.00PM
5 to 12 years

Have you ever wanted to try hockey? Altona Hockey Junior Club invites you to join their come and try session, a fantastic opportunity to get a feel of the basic skills of hockey. There will also be a BBQ going where each child can grab a free sausage! Talk to the friendly club staff about their junior program where children develop fundamental motor skills and make new friends in a welcoming team sport environment.

Parents must stay with their children during the session.

ALTONA HOCKEY CLUB
Sugar Gum Drive, Altona

Bookings are essential via:
juniors@altonahc.org.au

SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

ANIME ART CLASS

11:15AM TO 12:15PM AND 12:30PM TO 1:30PM
9-12 years

Join Rachael from Little Art Big Art in her studio and explore the theme: 'Children have the right to a standard of living that supports their wellbeing and healthy development' through Anime style creating. Rachael is a highly qualified teacher with many years of experience teaching children and adults.

One parent is required to stay in the Millers Junction area for duration of the class.

LITTLE ART BIG ART
34 Lobelia Dr, Altona North

Bookings are essential via:
www.littleartbigart.com.au/events

SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

CREATIVE DRAWING ART CLASS

11:15AM TO 12:15PM AND 12:30PM TO 1:30PM
5-8 years

Join Rachael from Little Art Big Art in her studio and explore the theme: 'Children have the right to a standard of living that supports their wellbeing and healthy development' through creative drawing. Rachael is a highly qualified teacher with many years of experience teaching children and adults.

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LITTLE ART BIG ART
34 Lobelia Dr, Altona North

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www.littleartbigart.com.au/events

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER

TODDLER TIME

10.00AM TO 10.20AM
12 to 24 months

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NEWPORT LIBRARY
13 Mason St, Newport

No bookings required

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER

MOVE IT 4 KIDS

10.30AM TO 11.15AM
Families with children up to 6 years

Get up and boogie with us as we celebrate Children's Week! Amanda from Hullabaloo Music will get everybody moving, singing, dancing, playing and laughing in this fun, interactive, musical comedy experience.

While you are there, have a chat to Hobsons Bay Toy Library about the amazing high-quality toys they have available to hire!

Seabrook Community Centre
15 Truganina Ave, Seabrook

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www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/childrensweek

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER

BABY TIME

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0-12 months

Join our librarians for a gentle and engaging session of songs, rhymes, stories, and literacy tips to develop baby's early language development and love of books and reading. BYO blanket for bub.

NEWPORT LIBRARY
13 Mason St, Newport

No bookings required

MONDAY 24 OCTOBER

STORY TIME

2.00PM TO 2.30PM
1 to 5 years

Join our librarians for stories, songs and rhymes that will take you on adventures, exploring the seasons, animals, the world around us and much, much more.

WILLIAMSTOWN LIBRARY
104 Ferguson St, Williamstown

No bookings required

TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER

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ALTONA LIBRARY
123 Queen St, Altona

No bookings required

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WILLIAMSTOWN SWIMMING & LIFESAVING CLUB
The Esplanade, Williamstown

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**LAVERTON COMMUNITY HUB **
95-105 Railway Ave, Laverton

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TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER

AFTERSCHOOL EXPLORERS TAKE OVER NEWPORT

3.45PM TO 4.45PM
5-12 years

Families are invited to join our early years librarians for an Afterschool Explorers take over at Newport Library! Get hands-on and explore creative tech, create a comic or your very own tiny world. There is something to be discovered for everyone!

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SEABROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE
15 Truganina Ave, Seabrook

No bookings required

WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER

STORYTIME WITH ROCKING RUSSELL & NEWPORT FIDDLE AND FOLK

10.00AM TO 10.30AM
1 to 5 years

Join Rocking Russell and special guests Newport Fiddle & Folk for a very special Children's Week story time at Altona North Community Library.

ALTONA NORTH COMMUNITY LIBRARY
Millers Rd and McArthurs Rd, Altona North

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WEDNESDAY 26 OCTOBER

HOW SPORT CAN HELP DEVELOP RESILIENCE IN CHILDREN

7.00PM TO 8.15PM
Parents/carers of school aged children

This online workshop gives parents and carers a framework designed to help your child develop resilience. We'll look at some key factors in positive youth development, the specific benefits of community sport, and the role of parents/carers.

Attendees will take away their own plan to help foster resilience in their children.

Facilitated by Nat Gilbert, Managing Director at Pro Sport Coach. Nat is a youth worker, sports coach, and University lecturer who has worked in student wellbeing, athlete development and sports development roles.

ONLINE

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www.prosportcoach.mykajabi.com or email
nat@prosportcoach.com

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MARVELOUS MINIBEASTS

4.00PM TO 4.50PM AND 5.00PM TO 5.50PM
Families with children up to 12 years

Children will be buzzing after this very hands-on event! Engage with live minibeasts at activity stations where you can catch waterbugs, study bugs up close under microscopes or get crafty and make your own bug! Visit the Bugtopia Tent, full of butterflies and other creepy crawlies where you will be guided to safely handle, feed and interact with minibeasts.

LAVERTON COMMUNITY HUB
95-105 Railway Ave, Laverton

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THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER

RAISING AN EMOTIONALLY INTELLIGENT CHILD

7.30PM TO 9.30PM
Parents/carers of children aged 2 to teenage years

Facilitated by Frances Bilbao (Clinical Psychologist and founder of Mums Matter Psychology), this online forum explores how to build your child's emotional intelligence by helping them understand their emotions by recognising what they are feeling and why.

ONLINE

Bookings are essential via:
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WEv9HuQgRoyhZUOLwrvRmg

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CREATIVE DANCE & YOGA

10:30AM TO 11:15AM
18mths - 3yrs dancing 1:1 with their grown-up

'Take your imaginations for a dance' with dancer/ yogi/artist Lisa of Bindu Creative Dance and Yoga! Lisa will gently guide participants on a creative adventure through a 'Colours of the Rainbow' themed session, exploring and delighting in the sensory, imaginal, inspiring and joyful ways of dynamic dance, body movement and evocative music. Creative dance is inclusive, non-competitive & non-gender specific. No experience is necessary. Please wear stretchy clothes for moving in! For all the right reasons, we dance in bare feet.

ALTONA MEADOWS LIBRARY
2 Newham Way, Altona Meadows

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Preschool aged children (3+yrs) dancing with an older sibling &/or parent/carer

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ACTIVITIES ON DEMAND

CRAFT AND ACTIVITY IDEAS

For ideas, activities and crafts you can do at home, check out the Creative Kids playlist on the

[Hobsons Bay Libraries YouTube channel](#)

EDUCATIONAL CONSERVATION VIDEOS

Check out the range of educational conservation videos produced by Council's Conservation Rangers. Learn some incredible facts about different plants and animals in Hobsons Bay including Barn Owls, Penguins, Reptiles and Echidnas!

Visit: [Conservation videos and educational resources - Hobsons Bay](#)

LIFE SAVING VICTORIA – WATER SAFETY AT HOME

Check out the Water Safety @ Home series which provides online, practical sessions for children to learn water about safety, CPR, first aid, swimming and the lifesaving Nippers program. Lots of interactive educational videos, activity sheets and resources to help keep the kids entertained and active, while teaching them important water safety and lifesaving skills.

Visit: <https://lsv.com.au/education/watersafetyathome/>

For information about the Altona Nippers program, visit: <https://www.altonalsc.com.au/nippers>

FAMILY DAY OUT – CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE

Explore an oasis of local flora and fauna at Newport Lakes, spend the day enjoying the maritime and historical sites along the Williamstown waterfront or pack up your bikes and head to Altona for a ride along the beautiful coastline! For some example itineraries, or to download the Hobsons Bay Coastal Trail Map,

visit: www.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au/visit/Blog/Family-day-out-choose-your-adventure



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This Children's Week event is presented by Hobsons Bay City Council in partnership with the Victorian Government.

Council acknowledges the Bunurong People of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners of these municipal lands and waterways, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

Council is committed to being a child safe organisation and has zero tolerance for child abuse.

