

Kids Fest 2020 at the Waimakariri Libraries



Entertain your kids over the winter school holidays with Kids Fest. With hundreds of cool events and activities, there is plenty of fun stuff to keep the kids amused. Kids Fest is an annual two-week festival designed especially for children age 0-13, and has entertained thousands of children and families over the past 26 years. Running since 1992, with events in Christchurch, Banks Peninsula, Waimakariri, and Selwyn Districts, Kids Fest is excited to be back in 2020!

The Waimakariri Libraries are hosting events in Oxford, Rangiora, and Kaiapoi. The libraries are bringing back some of their popular events such as the perennial favourite: Mystery Trails, where kids can come along to the libraries and use clues to find the hidden pirates in the shelves; and the famous Family Quiz Nights are also returning – perhaps your family can take out the number one spot this year?

New activities this year include daytime, and evening activities to give kids the chance to get creative in the school holidays. Children and their families will have an opportunity to get in touch with nature at crafting sessions, where families can design their own nature collage, or try their hand at designing their own pet rock!

Also new this year is a Karate Safety Awareness Workshop at the Kaiapoi Library, designed to introduce children to the principles of safety awareness – from awareness of their surroundings, simple things they can do to keep themselves safe, and up to the last resort of self-defence.

Young Writers will have four opportunities to work with real writers as tutors, to engage and excite young people in the writing process. The School for Young Writers has been inspiring young writers for 25 years, and their tutors are all practising writers and skilled teachers. These Workshops are designed for Year 5-8 young writers.

The majority of the libraries' Kids Fest events are free, except for one key event with Sport Suzie, New Zealand's Crazy Aerobics, Sport and Circus fanatic. Inspired by the great Jane Fonda, Flashdance, and the music of the eighties, Suzie aims to shake the laughter out of any audience. Tickets are available at all Waimakariri Libraries, for the shows at the Rangiora Town Hall, and Oxford Town Hall, \$5 per ticket.

Families can register for these events at any Waimakariri Library. For more information check out the Waimakariri Libraries' Facebook page, or go to the Kids Fest Website: <http://www.kidsfest.co.nz/>

For more details about the Waimakariri Libraries Kids Fest events go to: libraries.waimakariri.govt.nz

Kids Fest is proudly produced and supported by Christchurch City Council.

GKR Karate Safety Awareness Workshop



One of the things we hear a lot from parents is the desire for their children to learn resilience in preparation for their lives both inside and outside of school. This workshop will introduce children to the principles of safety awareness – from awareness of their surroundings, simple things they can do to keep themselves safe, and up to the last resort of self-defence. Our aim is to leave children and parents alike feeling confident and empowered knowing that they have the ability to look out for themselves.

Join us for a fun and easy session and learn to stay safe!

Tuesday 7 July
10:00 am - 11:00 am
Kaiapoi Library

Nature Craft



Come along and get in touch with nature!

Design your own nature collage, or try your hand at designing your own pet rock!

All materials provided.

Bookings at all Waimakariri Libraries.

Tuesday 7 July
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Oxford Library

Thursday 9 July
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Kaiapoi Library

Friday 10 July
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Rangiora Library

Write On School for Young Writers Workshop



Join the talented tutors of the Write On School for Young Writers for fun-filled, challenge-based writers' workshop.

Learn how to choose the best words and get them in the best order to express your original ideas.
Bookings made through <https://www.schoolforyoungwriters.org/holiday-programmes>.

IMAGINE! - get creative with fantastical ideas

Wednesday 8 July
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Kaiapoi Library

Wednesday 8 July
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Rangiora Town Hall

TAKE NOTICE! - use artworks and Artefacts to tell stories and develop your descriptive skills.

Friday 10 July
10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Kaiapoi Library

Friday 10 July
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Rangiora Town Hall

Waimakariri Libraries Family Quiz Nights



Do you have a mind full of trivia – or random facts? Why not gather the family, and enter a team in one of our three quiz nights across Waimakariri.

No devices – you will need your memories for this one!

A Golden Book of Knowledge will be awarded to each winning team!

Bookings at all Waimakariri Libraries.

Wednesday 15 July

7.00pm – 8.30pm

Oxford Town Hall

Thursday 16 July

7.00 – 8.30 pm

Ruataniwha Kaiapoi Civic Centre, Kaiapoi Library

Friday 17 July

7.00 – 8.30 pm

Rangiora Library

Sport Suzie's Super Silly Circus Show



Introducing Suzie's hilarious, and very silly workout show. This is a high energy, action packed fun show the whole family can enjoy.

Suzie's Show is full of crazy stunts, from yoyo's flying in the air, to dazzling magic. The Show is jammed packed with super unicycling, crazy juggling, amazing balloon prizes, and possibly the smallest bike you've ever seen! It's so much fun even your grumpy granddad will be laughing.

Get your tickets from all Waimakariri Libraries, cash sales only.

\$5 per ticket

**Friday 17 July
10:00 am - 10:45 am
Rangiora Town Hall**

**Friday 17 July
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm
Oxford Town Hall**

Pirate Mystery Trail



Ahoy me hearties! Pirates have taken over our libraries! Follow the clues and return your completed trail to be in for a chance at winning treasure.

Every day of the school holidays in all three Waimakariri Libraries!