



# KidsFest

Saturday 6 July – Saturday 20 July 2019



[kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

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# KidsFest

## at the MOVIES

Saturday 6 July



Join us for a **FREE** day of movies at Hoyts EntX.

We'll be showing three of the latest movies throughout the day. Don't forget you can take the bus to the Bus Interchange – it's right across the road from Hoyts EntX.

For session times and to book your free tickets go to [kidsfest.co.nz/event/movies](http://kidsfest.co.nz/event/movies)

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## WELCOME!

KidsFest is back for 2019 with over 260 events! There are amazing programmes, exciting activities, shows, adventures and sporting fun. This year we've also added a new Technology section.

Join Peppa Pig and George in their very own stage show at the Town Hall! All tickets will be free – visit [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) to find out more.

KidsFest Pool Parties are back at all four Christchurch facilities this year. With awesome spot prizes and fun galore. See the Pool Parties listing for dates and times!

Make sure you save the date, Saturday 20 July, for our amazing, top secret, surprise closing event. Keep an eye on [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for the big reveal.

General event information is listed in this brochure, please visit [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for information on how to book and updates to all KidsFest events.

## A big thanks...

KidsFest couldn't happen without our amazing sponsors – a huge thank you to **More FM** and **Christchurch City Council**. And a special thanks to **Ovato** and **Mai FM** for their support.

KidsFest is proudly produced by the Christchurch City Council on behalf of the KidsFest Charitable Trust.



### Tickets go on sale

**9am, Tuesday 4 June 2019**

Go to [Kidsfest.co.nz](http://Kidsfest.co.nz) for all event booking information. If you have limited internet access pop on down to your local library and access the free Wi-Fi.

*Please note booking fees may apply.*

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More info here  
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## Find out more

- Check out **kidsfest.co.nz** for full information on all KidsFest events and important updates.
- **'Like' KidsFest** on **Facebook** to enter competitions and be in to win great prizes! Keep up-to-date with the latest news, weather information and important updates.
- Listen to **92.1 More FM** for the latest KidsFest updates and the chance to win more prizes!
- Or call Christchurch City Council Customer Services on **941 8999**.

## Keeping safe at KidsFest

KidsFest is made up of a large number of independent event providers from within the Canterbury region. All providers are experienced in running events for children and run events on a regular basis.

KidsFest requires children under 8 years of age to be accompanied by a caregiver at KidsFest events. Exceptions have been made for providers who run events for children outside of this age limit on a regular basis.

The caregiver status for these events is listed as *\*Conditions apply*, please talk to the event provider directly regarding the caregiver options.

If your child is going to an event that doesn't require your attendance please ensure your child is happy and comfortable before you leave. Make sure the event provider has your contact details should they need to get hold of you. Likewise, make sure you keep their contact details handy.

When attending an event please make sure your child is prepared with appropriate clothing, drink bottle and a small snack.

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### SELWYN / WAIMAKARIRI

Selwyn and Waimakariri events are now included in all of the KidsFest sections, check out the location symbol to find out where an event is.

## Event cancellations

Check out the **KidsFest Facebook page** for up to the minute info on cancelled events. Or go to **kidsfest.co.nz**! The event information in this brochure was correct at the time of printing. It is important to go to **kidsfest.co.nz** to check for any event changes and updates!

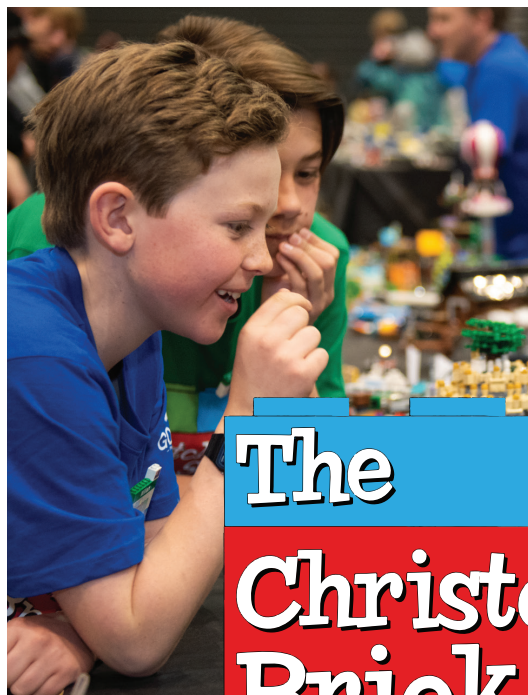


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# The Christchurch Brick Show

**JULY 13<sup>TH</sup> & 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**9AM - 5PM**

**HORNCastle ARENA**

**\$5 ENTRY**

(free for kids under 2yo)

**LEGO**  
available for  
purchase

**200+**  
exhibitors

**Free  
parking**

Win a family trip\*  
to Dreamworld  
Gold Coast, Australia

Join us for a fun-filled weekend as we raise money  
to support the Imagination Station

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## *Imagination Station*

# INTERACTIVE PLAY AREA AT THE CHRISTCHURCH BRICK SHOW



Build from tens of thousands of LEGO bricks, and have a go with Robotics, Mechanics, LEGO Energy generators and more!



Imagination Station offers a wide range of classes every school holidays. Have a look through this booklet and see our website for what's coming up soon! ■



Give us a call  
on 03 366 88 55  
[metroinfo.co.nz](http://metroinfo.co.nz)

**Take the bus to  
KidsFest these  
school holidays**

**Way to go.**

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# Kids in Town

**Singing, dancing and all types of  
performances by Canterbury kids.**

Term 4, 17 October – 19 December 2019  
Tūranga (Central Library)



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**FREE!**



# THE BIG CHILL

Get the whanau  
together

**Saturday 13 July**  
**12pm-3pm**  
**Linwood Park**

**Action sports on wheels,  
bouncy castles, face painting,  
fairies and heaps more!**

If wet, head to Linwood Library at Eastgate Shopping Centre  
for face painting, storytime, fairies and more exciting activities!



**FREE  
HELLERS  
SAUSAGE  
SIZZLE!**



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# Immerse yourself in the world of glitter

Inviting all kids aged between 10 and 13 years to come and experience the story behind glitter, learn what it's made from, create a glitter body art stencil and a take-home glitter lip gloss. A fun sensory experience not to be missed!

**Dates:** 9, 10 and 11 July

**Times:** Daily sessions, 10am and 1pm

**Cost:** \$15 per child or \$25 for two children.

Book now or find out more:  
[artscentre.org.nz/events](https://artscentre.org.nz/events)

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Arts  
Centre

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## Arts, Crafts & Creativity

Let your creativity go wild. From dancing, writing and singing, to markets just for kids. You could make your own bath bomb or a delicious fudge treat.




**The Big Chill**  
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## A Food Odyssey

 **ALL FREE!** Caregiver optional (free)



'A Food Odyssey' is an open invitation to artists of all ages to help colour in a series of larger than life storyboards featuring the life of ancient Greek hero Odysseus. Drop by the community gallery Pūmanawa (Arts Centre Old Boys' High School Building) anytime between 10am–3pm.

-  Arts Centre
-  Mon 8 – Fri 12 July, 10am–3pm

## A World of Bricks

 **5+ FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Join the House of Bricks for sessions full of creativity! We will be creating art with mosaics – design your own mosaic picture on a 16x16 board. Children aged under eight years of age will require active adult supervision. Suitable for ages 5+.

-  Leeston Library, Lincoln Library, Darfield Library, Rolleston Community Centre
-  Wed 17 – Thu 18 July, various times and locations. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Advanced Weaving Bag

 **8-17 \$25** Caregiver optional (free)



Weave a large bag ideal for an iPad or Tablet on a 4-shaft loom. These classes are for children who have used a loom in previous KidsFest programmes. Try your hand at being creative and making a pattern in colours on the loom.

-  Weaver and Spinners Guild room
-  Thu 11 and Thu 18 July, 10am–3pm

## Art & Craft Workshop

 **6-10 \$10** Caregiver optional (free)



An art class for your 6 to 10 year old hosted by our talented Alanah. Your child will take home a lovely creation made by them.

-  Tai Tapu Playcentre
-  Tue 16 July, 9.30am–12.30pm

## Bombs Away

 **8-13 \$10** Children only



Explore the fun and science behind bath bombs! All the ingredients are provided for you to make your very own bath bombs to take home, gift wrapping included. You will learn the skills and be given recipes and ideas on how to make bath bombs with items from around the home.

-  Pay it Forward Designer Co-op
-  Wed 10 – Thu 11 July, various times. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Book Binding – Leather Bound Junk Journals

 **10+ \$30** Caregiver optional (free)

Learn the art of hand binding your own art or writing journal. Use a mix of amazing papers to bind together, each page can be different or all white leaves. We use a soft leather cover with a wraparound flap and cord with a bead or button to finish it off. Please read full description at [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

-  The Creative Workroom
-  Thu 18 July, 10am–noon, 1.30pm–3.30pm



## Card Making

 **6+** **\$15** Caregiver optional (free)



Giving a handmade card brings a satisfying feeling. Come and make at least three bright and beautiful cards. Learn stamping, embossing and colouring techniques using 'Close To My Heart' products. Some cards are pre-designed, or children may choose to design their own. Suitable for girls and boys.

-  Dudley Park Netball Courts, Paparoa Street School
-  Wed 10 July, 10.15am–12.15pm  
Thu 11 and Wed 17 July, 9.30am–11.30am

## Chocolate Treasure

 **11+** **\$20** Children only



Come to The Fudge Cottage at Christchurch's historic Arts Centre to design and create your own special chocolate treasure chest full of delicious treats. A wonderful, fun hands-on learning experience working with chocolate.

-  Fudge Cottage – Arts Centre
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 2.15pm–3pm

## Christchurch Kids Market

 **4-13** **\$5** Caregiver required (free)



*Christchurch's largest kids market raising money for children's charities around Canterbury.* Learn how to set up shop, handle money, negotiate with customers, create crafts and make some extra pocket money! Collect all your old toys, clothing and sports gear or get creative by making your own arts, crafts or baking. Parents come along to supervise only. Bring your own tables. For full details head to [chchkidsmarket.co.nz](http://chchkidsmarket.co.nz)

-  A&P Showgrounds, Addington
-  Mon 15 July, 10am–2pm

## Clock Making

 **6-13** **\$15** **\$15 members; \$20 non-members**  
Caregiver optional (free)



Create and take home your own working clock made from the recycled materials at Creative Junk.

-  Creative Junk
-  Various dates and times. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Create a Dresden Plate Patchwork Cushion

 **8-13** **\$25** Caregiver optional (free)



We will have lots of fabulous colourful fabrics so you can choose your favourites and make a glitzy patchwork cushion. Make it even more glitzy with lace and braids. You don't need any stitching experience because we will help you learn some good sewing skills. All materials supplied.

-  Weavers and Spinners Guild room
-  Thu 18 July, 10am–3pm

## Create a Fairy House Village or Gnomes Home

 **6+** **\$14** Caregiver optional (free)



This is a popular class and it books out quickly! Join us for a fun-packed hour and make 2 or 3 little fairy houses, get creative with sequins, tinsel, flowers, feathers, glitter, miniature items, stickers and every known crafty item. We use a hot glue gun so little hands will need help. Then leave the mess to us.

-  The Creative Workroom
-  Sun 7 – Mon 8 July, various times.  
See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Create a Magnet Picture Frame with Flowers, Crafts and more

 **6+** **\$10** Caregiver optional (free)



This class is heaps of fun with fairies, dragons, gnomes, knights, princesses and more. Make a decorated picture frame to stick on your fridge to frame a photo, a certificate or your art work. Use gems, glitter, miniature items and flowers. Help is needed for little hands as glue guns are used.

-  The Creative Workroom
-  Thu 11 July, various times. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Create a Mini-Album

 **7+** **\$20** Caregiver optional (free)



Learn to assemble an expanding zig-zag album and then add your photos and embellishments to showcase your memories. Children will learn basic stamping and colouring techniques. Children will be provided with a cutting and assembly guide to take home so they can continue to make more albums.

-  Paparoa Street School
-  Fri 12 and Thu 18 July, 9.30am–noon

## Creative Play at Playcentre

 **0-8** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Join us for an open day at Harewood Playcentre where we will have all of our usual stations of play and some extra craft activities. Learn how to make a homemade battery or a motor. Build your own spectroscope or paper cup phones

-  Harewood Playcentre
-  Mon 15 July, 9am–noon

## Creative Writing Workshop

 **7-12** **\$10** Caregiver optional (free)



Learn how to bring your imagination to life on paper, by writing and illustrating your own book with children's author Karyn, during our creative writing workshop. Morning tea will be provided.

-  Tai Tapu Playcentre
-  Thu 11 July, 9.30am–12.30pm

## Dance Workshop with Sarah

 **4-10** **\$8** Caregiver optional (free)



Sarah will be hosting an amazing dance, music and movement class, a perfect occasion to get children up and moving to the music! Morning tea is provided.

-  Tai Tapu Playcentre
-  Tue 9 July, 9.30am–11am

## Decorate a Mythical Treasure Box – Pirates, Fairies or Mermaids

 **6+** **\$18** Caregiver optional (free)

Decorate a treasure box with a pirate, fairy, mermaid or flower theme, to store your favourite treasures. Use gems, chains, beads, flowers, charms, glitter and heaps of other tinkering items to decorate the box and claim it as your own. Put a dragon or fairy on top to keep people out.

-  The Creative Workroom
-  Wed 10 July, 10am–11am, 1pm–2pm



## Dog's Life



5+

\$10

Caregiver concession price  
for entry to exhibition

Using a variety of media, and the puppies' expressive faces, as your starting point, let your imagination carry you as you create a fantastical 'make believe' scene and transform each pup into anything from an astronaut to a ballerina. Entry to exhibition for children is included in their ticket price.

- Christchurch Art Gallery (Education Centre)
- Every weekday of KidsFest, 11am–noon

## Embellish a Fun and Funky Original Beanie Hat



8-13

\$25

Caregiver optional (free)

Beanie to be decorated and embellished with stitches, and buttons if you choose and then a tassel. A variety of stitches will be demonstrated for you to use. Stitching experience not required. All materials including beanie supplied to you.

- Weavers and Spinners Guild room
- Tue 9 July, 10am–3pm

## Embroider a Bag using Chicken Scratch Embroidery



8-13

\$25

Caregiver optional (free)

We use gingham fabric and some cool embroidery stitches to make a colourful bag to hold your treasures. Choose your colours to make a bag that is special to you. We use the squares on the fabric to create a pattern with stitches. No stitching experience needed.

- Weavers and Spinners Guild room
- Wed 17 July, 10am–3pm

## Fantasy Dreamcatcher or Spirit Circle



10+

\$16

Caregiver optional (free)

Make your own dreamcatcher or spirit circle using leather, beads, feathers and other materials. Find out how to weave the dreamcatcher's web and learn about the tradition behind it. All materials are supplied.

- The Creative Workroom
- Wed 17 July, 10am–11am, 12.30pm–1.30pm, 2.30pm–3.30pm

## Felt and Decorate a Ball



8-13

\$25

Caregiver optional (free)

We felt a ball using sheep's wool and warm soapy water which we can decorate with embroidery stitches and felt shapes to make a bright colourful ball. When you leave you will have a decorated ball and a second ball to decorate at home. No stitching experience needed

- Weavers and Spinners Guild room
- Tue 16 July, 10am–3pm

## Floral Paper Crafting



7+

\$20

Caregiver optional (free)

Children will assemble a range of paper flowers and leaves that have been pre-cut. Assistance in how to enhance the flowers' look through curling, folding and adding ink or shimmer brush to sections will be provided. Floral creations will be used to decorate a letter of their choice.

- Paparoa Street School
- Thu 11 and Wed 17 July, 12.30pm–2.30pm

## Fudge Spectacular



5-12

\$15

Children only

Create it – take it home – eat it! Come to the Fudge Cottage at Christchurch's historic Arts Centre to design and create your ultimate fudge masterpiece.



Fudge Cottage – Arts Centre



Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), various times. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Glow-in-the Dark Open Paint!



5-15

\$28

Caregiver optional (\$)

Open Paint sessions complete with neon and glow-in-the-dark paint options! Let your creative juices flow and pick what you want to paint from our paintings or something else, the choice is yours! Includes:

- step by step painting instructions
- all painting materials needed to complete the painting
- acrylic paint on stretched 23 x 30cm canvas
- photos taken throughout the session and posted on our Facebook pages
- heaps of fun exploring your creative side
- one-of-a-kind masterpiece to take home
- and best of all – we clean up!



Paint'n'Sip Studio



Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Green Elephants and Purple Oceans with Swapna Haddow



8-12

\$15

Caregiver optional (free)

Calling all budding young authors! Have you ever wanted to write a story? Are you interested in starting out as an author? Unleash your inner writer in this interactive workshop



Tūranga (Central Library)



Fri 12 July, 1pm–3pm

## Imagination Station: Holiday Brick School



5-13

\$39

Children only

Brick School is back during KidsFest 2019! Drop off your children for a day of LEGO fun with our experienced staff team, or if you know they'll love it, you can book them in for several days in a row! It's the ultimate opportunity to build without limits.



Imagination Station



Weekdays Mon 8 – Fri 19 July, 9.30am–3.30pm

## Imagination Station: Movie Making with LEGO



7+

\$17

Caregiver optional (free)

Create your very own LEGO movie! Build your set, prepare your scene and make the action happen! All equipment is provided. Bring your favourite mini figure along if you want to make them famous!



Imagination Station



Various dates and times. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Imagination Station: Movie Making with LEGO 2.0 – Special Effects



8+

\$22

Caregiver optional (free)

A fun workshop on creating a LEGO movie with special effects. Build your set, prepare your lighting and make the action happen! All equipment is provided, plus plenty of inspiration for taking your movie-making to the next level.



Imagination Station





Wed 10 and Fri 19 July, 2.30pm–4.30pm

## Junior Chef Kids Culinary Programme

 **8-13** **\$25** **Caregiver (free) but access to the internet is required**



Our Junior Chef programme is an introduction to the magical world of culinary with an exciting, interactive short course for ages 8–13. Perfect for a fun school holiday activity! Learn how to make fresh pasta and wow friends with a meal and menu created from mystery basket ingredients!

-  Online at home
-  See [kidsfest.co.nz](https://kidsfest.co.nz) for times

## Junk Jam

 **5-13** **FREE!** **Caregiver required (free)**



Halswell Community Hub is organizing a FREE family friendly Junk Jam. Get creative with junk! Will you make a jungle animal? A truck? A cloak? A superhero? Or something else... Let your imagination run wild and create a masterpiece of recycling. All supplies will be provided. Wear clothes that you don't mind getting messy.

-  Halswell Community Hub
-  Thu 11 July, 10am–noon

## Kids' Indoor Market

 **ALL** **FREE!** **Caregiver required (free)**



Perfect opportunity for the young entrepreneur! Either book a table or come and grab yourself some treats/bargains! On rain or shine – indoors at the Halswell Community Hub. This event is free to the general public. **Stall holder \$10.**

-  Halswell Community Hub
-  Sat 13 July, noon–2pm

## KidsFest – #GLITTER

 **10-13** **\$15** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Ancient Egyptians crushed beetles to make glitter! Immerse yourself in the world of glitter. Learn about its history, make a temporary glitter body art stencil and create your own glitter lip gloss.

-  The Arts Centre Te Matatiki Toi Ora
-  Tue 9 – Thu 11 July, 10am–11.30am, 1pm–2.30pm

## Kiwiana at Ferrymead Heritage Park

 **ALL** **\$7.50** **Caregiver required (\$)**

Explore Ferrymead Heritage Park. Find some of our uniquely New Zealand items hidden along the way. Take part in an interactive trail, bake a Kiwiana biscuit, play with toys and games from the past. Drop-in activities run every weekday – 11am to 3pm.



-  Ferrymead Heritage Park
-  Every weekday during KidsFest, 11am–3pm



## Lego Fun

 **3+** **\$5** **Caregiver required (free)**



House of Bricks has over 100,000 Lego pieces for you to build with! There is no limit to what you can create!! There are specialised areas including trees, Star Wars, friends, Technic, Duplo and more!

 Ashgrove Primary School  
 Tue 16 July, 10am–noon

## Living Miniature Bonsai Style Mythical Garden

 **8+** **\$24** **Children only**



Fairies, unicorns, dragons, gnomes, mermaids and more. Create a living garden with plants and miniature treasures like crystals, glass stones and more. Make your own little items like furniture, signs and lanterns then bring your garden to life in a planter.

 The Creative Workroom  
 Mon 15 July, 10am–11am, 12.30pm–1.30pm, 2.30pm–3.30pm

## Luscious Lips

 **8-13** **\$10** **Children only**



Discover how to make your own lip scrub, lip balm and natural toothpaste from natural ingredients. This small class includes a hands-on approach to learning, and all materials and containers are provided so you leave with the products you make!

 Pay It Forward Designer Co-op  
 Fri 12 July, 9am–10am, 10.30am–11.30am

## Make a Glitzy Brooch to Wear

 **8-15** **\$25** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Sew beads, buttons and sequins onto fabric to make a really glitzy brooch in your favourite colours. You don't need to have done any stitching at all. We will help you and you will leave the class wearing your own special brooch. All materials supplied.

 Weavers and Spinners Guild room  
 Wed 10 July, 10am–3pm

## Make 2 Beaded Window or Wind Hangings

 **6+** **\$18** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Create two beaded window displays using ballerinas, snowflakes, glassdrops, flowers, acrylic drops and more. We have heaps of new items and beads to experiment with. Hang your creation in your doorway or window to catch the light and make a rainbow of colour as it dances in the breeze and lights up your imagination.

 The Creative Workroom  
 Tue 16 July, 10am–11am, 12.30pm–1.30pm, 2.30pm–3.30pm

## Makerstations

 **5+** **FREE!** **Caregiver required (free)**

Use our Makerstations to create wonderful things – create from one of our templates, or use your imagination to make something unique! Free – no bookings required, but spaces are limited. Children aged under eight years of age will require active adult supervision.

 Leeston Library, Lincoln Library, Rolleston Library, Darfield Library  
 Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 1.30pm–3.30pm

## Map It!



5+

**FREE!****Caregiver required (free)**

Try your hand at the art and science of map making! Create a map of your world, or invent your own. Treasure maps, historical maps, fantasy maps, town maps... the world is yours. Children aged under eight years of age will require active adult supervision.

- Lincoln Library, Leeston Library, Tai Tapu Library, West Melton Community Centre, Rolleston Library, Darfield Library, Glentunnel Community Centre, Southbridge Community Hall
- Mon 8 – Thu 18 July, 10.30am–11.30am, various locations. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Messy Play



ALL

**FREE!****Caregiver required (free)**

Come along for a morning of messy play. Let the kids enjoy the messy play outside of your home. We will have other areas of play set up for those tamariki not interested in getting messy. Best to wear clothes you don't mind getting messy and you might need a spare set just in case.

- Redwood Playcentre
- Thu 11 July, 9.30am–11.30am

## Messy Play & Kids Activities



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**\$2****Caregiver required (free)**

FUN FUN FUN... Come and enjoy time with messy play along with other activities.

- Empower Church
- Mon 15 and Fri 19 July, 10am–11:30am

## Messy Play at Tai Tapu Playcentre



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**\$6****Caregiver required (free)**

Bring along your pre-schooler to join us in messy play and sensory activities. Morning tea will be provided, but feel free to bring along any snacks for your child.

- Tai Tapu Playcentre
- Mon 8 and Wed 17 July, 9.30am–12.30pm

## Photographic Print Art Activity



5-12

**FREE!****Caregiver required (free)**

Come and explore the artwork Tree Houses for Swamp Dwellers in central Christchurch, corner of Colombo St and Oxford Tce. We will explore the artwork here then walk down to our venue at Tūranga to make a special cyanotype print. This is an exciting art-making session which everyone can enjoy.

- Tūranga (Central Library)
- Mon 8 July, 10.30am and 1pm  
Mon 15 July, 10.30am and 1pm

## Playfest at Playcentre



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**FREE!****Caregiver required (free)**

The curiosity and creativity of our tamariki is nurtured through play. Come along with your pre-schooler to messy play open days at Playcentre during KidsFest. From exploration, building and construction, there's a lot of play on offer. Parent or caregiver must stay and play with their children.

- Parklands Playcentre, Lincoln Playcentre, Woodend Playcentre, Prebbleton Playcentre, Linwood Playcentre, Darfield Playcentre, St Albans Playcentre
- Tue 9 – Wed 17 July, various times and locations. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)



age range



venue



date

**Visit [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for full information**

A booking fee may apply for ticketed events

## Preschool Dance with Sarah



0-6

\$6

Caregiver required (free)

Sarah will be hosting an amazing dance class perfect for pre-schoolers to get them up and moving to the music! Morning tea is provided.



Tai Tapu Playcentre



Fri 19 July, 9.30am–noon

## Printing Art and Crafts at Ferrymead Print Shop



6-13

\$15

Caregiver optional (free)

A fun event using vintage printing equipment to make personal greeting cards and plaques, also making stencils and printing, embossing and making your own notebooks in a controlled and safe environment.



Ferrymead Heritage Park



Mon 8, Wed 10 and Fri 12 July, 10am–noon, 1pm–3pm

## Printmaking with Woodcuts – Design, Cut, Print & Make



10+

\$24

Caregiver optional (free)

Design, cut, print and make is a workshop where you will learn to make a woodcut, use an etching press and hand pressing your design. Then we make a small booklet from your print or cards and envelopes. This is for older students because of the tools used and is two hours long, so bring a water bottle and snack.



The Creative Workroom



Fri 19 July, 10am–noon, 1pm–3pm

## Remix Beach Clean and Plastic Discussion



ALL

\$2

Caregiver required (\$)

Join us to clean up New Brighton Beach and then go through the waste we find. We will discuss what is recyclable and what isn't, what you can do to avoid some of the plastic items and separate out some waste to then be recycled by Remix Plastic.



New Brighton Beachside Playground



Wed 17 July, 10.30am–11.30am

## Robot Factory



ALL

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

What can you make with an old egg carton and a shoe box? We will provide the components, you bring your imagination. All robots to be released into cyberspace via the library website.



Oxford Library



Tue 9 July, 6pm–7.30pm



Kaiapoi Library



Thu 11 July, 6pm–7.30pm



Rangiora Library



Fri 12 July, 6pm–7.30pm

## Rock Painting



5-13

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

Make, create, share!! Join us to paint some beautiful rocks, then take them out and hide them around the community to spread some love! FREE family-friendly rock painting event.



Halswell Community Hub



Wed 10 July, 10am–noon

Updates and  
cancellations:

[kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

KidsFest

## Selwyn Kids' Market



5-13

\$5  
per stall

Caregiver required (free)

**SELL:** Register to purchase a stall site to sell toys, books, sports gear and unused stuff! Sell at bargain rates, then use your proceeds to get your own bargain and something new to enjoy! No food or drink to be sold. **BUY:** Find a hidden treasure, come along and grab a bargain (free entry)!



Lincoln Event Centre



Thu 11 July, 10am–noon

## Shadow Art



7+

\$10

Caregiver optional (free)

Shine a light on your creative side and take part in our surreal silhouette photography workshop. Kids will use the shadows of a variety of objects and stencils and create a funny, strange or silly silhouette.



Christchurch Art Gallery (Education Centre)



Every weekday of KidsFest, 1.30pm–2.45pm

## Stampfest 2019



8-13

FREE!

Caregiver optional (free)

Remember the days when we use to collect stamps off mail, soak them and mount them in an album! If you are keen on stamps then come join us and learn more about this wonderful hobby. There will be talks, quizzes, practical workshops, goody bags and plenty of stamps to add to your collection.



The Philatelic Centre



Fri 19 July, 10am–noon, 1.30pm–3.30pm

## Swapna Haddow: Telling Tales



ALL

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

Hear award-winning author Swapna Haddow talk about her brand new book Dave Pigeon (Royal Cool!).



Tūranga (Central Library)



Fri 12 July, 11am–noon

## Swinging and Singing Through Musical Play



3-8

FREE!

Caregiver required (\$5)

This is an interactive jazz concert for children aged 3-8 years (younger children are welcome) featuring wonderful musicians from the Julie Wylie Musical Play team.



Transitional Cathedral (Cardboard Cathedral)



Thu 18 July, 10am–10.45am



age range

venue

date



Visit [kidsfest.co.nz](https://kidsfest.co.nz) for full information

A booking fee may apply for ticketed events

## Teacup Fun – Create a Fairy’s Garden, Mermaid Cove or Dragon’s Lair

 **6+** **\$16** **Children only**



Using material flowers, leaves, feathers, tinsel, glitter, beads and heaps of tinkering items. Choose a fairy, mermaid, unicorn, dragon, gnome or mythical creature from the treasure box and with your hot glue gun start making your very own teacup setting. Younger students will need help with glue gun.

-  The Creative Workroom
-  Tue 9 July, 10am–11am, 12.30pm–1.30pm, 2.30pm–3.30pm

## The Big Chill

 **ALL** **FREE!** **Caregiver required (free)**

Skate, scoot, rollerblade, bounce, jump on a crazy bike, shoot some hoops, play ball, get your face painted, or enjoy a free Hellers sausage sizzle with family and friends in the heart of Linwood! Loads of free fun for everyone with Cheapskates Skate Skool, Pedalmania, Hellers and Mai FM.

-  Linwood Park
-  Sat 13 July, noon–3pm



## The Chicken Rap

 **8-12** **\$15** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Writing workshops with real writers as tutors. Write poems with a food theme. Learn new ways to tell your parents you don't like broccoli! The School for Young Writers has been inspiring young writers for 25 years. Our tutors are all practising writers and skilled teachers.

-  Kaiapoi Library
-  Wed 17 July, 10am–noon
-  Rangiora Town Hall
-  Wed 17 July, 1.30pm–3.30pm

## The Great Rangiora Kids’ Market

 **ALL** **\$5 per stall** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Consider yourself a great bargain seller, or bargain buyer for that matter? Come along to Rangiora Borough School to try your hand at being a market stall holder for the day. You could sell your unwanted toys, or maybe even a special craft you have. This is a free event to attend.

-  Rangiora Borough School
-  Tue 16 July, 9am–1pm

## There’s something dark in the water!

 **7-12** **FREE!** **Caregiver required (free)**



Step into a sparkling interactive underworld for the book launch of ‘Ringlet and the Day the Oceans Stopped’ presented by author Felicity Williams and her shoal of merkid helpers. Dress-ups and other activities abound!

-  Tūranga (Central Library)
-  Thu 18 July, 3pm–4pm

## Traditional Māori Games

 **7-12** **FREE!** **Caregiver optional (free)**

Come along to our traditional Māori games themed school holiday sessions at a library near you, where not only will you learn a tī rākau (short stick) routine, but you get to make some tī rākau to take home. Don't miss out! It's going to be heaps of fun! Bookings essential.


-  Aranui Library, Tūranga (Central Library), Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre
-  Tue 16 – Thu 18 July, 10am–noon, 1pm–3pm, various dates and locations. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Treasure Jar for your Fairy, Unicorn, Dragon, Mermaid or Gnome

 **7+** **\$16** Caregiver optional (free)

Fairies, unicorns, gnomes, dragons, mermaids and more. Create a treasure jar with crystals, ribbons, beads, charms, feathers, glitters and heaps of tinkering items. Decorate inside and out. Bring a little bit of magic into your life. All fairies etc. and materials supplied. Certificates presented at end of class.

 The Creative Workroom

 Fri 12 – Sat 13 July, various times.  
See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Truth is Strange, Fiction can be Stranger


 **8-12** **\$15** Caregiver optional (free)

Writing workshops with real writers as tutors. In this workshop we will take true stories and twist them into fabulous fiction. The School for Young Writers has been inspiring young writers for 25 years. Our tutors are all practising writers and skilled teachers.

 Kaiapoi Library

 Fri 19 Jul, 10am–noon

 Rangiora Town Hall

 Fri 19 Jul, 1.30pm–3.30pm

## Weave a Bead Bracelet

 **8-13** **\$25** Caregiver optional (free)

Choose colourful beads and a wee bead loom and weave yourself a bracelet in your favourite colours. You can choose your own colours and make up a pattern as you weave. You will leave the class wearing your own special bracelet. All materials are provided.

 Weavers and Spinners Guild room


 Thu 11 July, 10am–3pm

## Weave a Funky Bag

 **8-17** **\$25** Caregiver optional (free)

Use a real Rigid Heddle loom and lots of colourful yarns to create a shoulder bag to wear home. You can be creative and choose the colours, textures and patterns that you like. All materials and tools will be provided. Just bring your lunch.

 Weavers and Spinners Guild room

 Tue 16 – Wed 17 July, 10am–3pm

## Weave a Treasure Purse

 **10-17** **\$25** Caregiver optional (free)

Create a very special treasure purse using a range of coloured wools just as people throughout the world have done for thousands of years. Learn to weave small patterns in your very own purse. All materials will be supplied. Just bring your lunch.

 Weavers and Spinners Guild room


 Wed 10 July, 10am–3pm

## Weave Mug Rugs

 **8-17** **\$25** Caregiver optional (free)

Use a real loom to weave your family some heat-resistant coasters. Learn to weave stripes and add patterns into your mug rugs. All materials and tools will be provided. Just bring your lunch.

 Weavers and Spinners Guild room


 Tue 9 – Wed 17 July, 10am–3pm, various dates and locations. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Winter Wonderland Arts and Crafts

 **3-10** **\$5** Caregiver required (free)

The Dyspraxia Support Group invites children aged 3-10 to come along and enjoy making some winter inspired crafts and sensory activities.

 Dyspraxia Support Group of NZ Inc

 Wed 10 July, 9.30am–10.30am, 11am–noon

## Write on 52 – Celebration of Waimakariri Writers



ALL

**FREE!**

Caregiver required (free)

Join us in celebrating the publishing successes of a number of Waimakariri writers and hear them share their work. Write On is full of poems, stories and articles by young writers aged 7–19. It's a great read and a superb resource.



Rangiora Library



Fri 19 July, 5.30pm–7pm

## Write On – Winter Writing School



9-14

**\$30 per day**

Children only

Bookings essential

Join us for one day or four days of exciting writing – exploring words and ways to put them together. The School for Young Writers team of wonderful tutors will guide you through a creative writing process from generating ideas to polishing off pieces. These classes are for students in Years 5 & 6 and Years 7 & 8. You can join up for one day of writing or come to all four days.



Hagley Community College



Mon 8 – Thu 11 July, 10am–2pm daily

## Writing the Past with Joanna Grochowicz



10-14

**\$15**

Children only

Booking fee applies

Do you love history, horrible or nice? How do you write a story based on real life events? In this workshop with author Joanna Grochowicz, you'll come to grips with the elements necessary to create stories based on your favourite well-known moments in history.



Tūranga (Central Library)



Tue 16 July, 1pm–3pm

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and be in to win  
great prizes!*



free



\$1–\$10



\$11–\$30



\$31+

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\*Sat 6 – Sat 20 July 2019



# POLAR NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

Pere the Penguin is lost in the Arctic  
Solve the clues to get Pere home  
You could win a prize!

6.00 to 8.00 pm  
9, 11, 16 & 18 July

Free event; donations appreciated  
www.canterburymuseum.com

 **Canterbury  
Museum**



## Knowledge & Discovery

Discover a new passion. Help the Park Rangers plant trees, or become a Penguin Keeper for the day. Explore the stars, create your own animation and so much more.



### Guardians of the Gardens



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## A Day out with Park Rangers: Bottle Lake Forest

 7-12  \$5 Caregiver required (free)



Join the Park Rangers and learn about forest survival! Build a bivouac and a bug motel, learn how to spot pests and, for the very brave, eat a huhu grub!

 Bottle Lake Forest  
 Thu 11 July, 1pm–3pm

## A Day out with Park Rangers: Halswell Quarry

 7-12  \$5 Caregiver required (free)



Join the Park Rangers at Halswell Quarry and get into some hands on history! Make erupting volcanoes and mokihi/canoes, learn about the traditional Maori uses of wetland plants and help catch and release eels on this amazing day out.

 Halswell Quarry Park  
 Thu 18 July, 10am–noon

## A Day out with Park Rangers: South New Brighton

 7-12  \$5 Caregiver required (free)



Join the Park Rangers at South New Brighton Beach Park and discover how to care for our natural backyard. Build a tree hut, explore the estuary edge and learn about the plants and animals in the park.

 South New Brighton Park, along the water's edge  
 Fri 12 July, 10am–noon

## A Day out with Park Rangers: The Groynes

 7-12  \$5 Caregiver required (free)



Join the Park Rangers at the Groynes and discover how they look after the park for all our enjoyment. Come plant a tree and see how rangers protect the area from fires and pest animals.

 The Groynes  
 Wed 17 July, 1pm–3pm

## A Day out with Park Rangers: Victoria Park

 7-12  \$5 Caregiver required (free)



Join the Port Hills Rangers on a search for wildlife in Victoria Park! Learn about unique birds, hunt for creepy crawlies, build a bug house and plant a tree on this amazing day out.

 Victoria Park  
 Wed 10 July, 10am–12noon

## Antarctic Penguin Keeper for the Day

 10-13  \$79 Children only



Join the penguin keepers as you assist them in their daily routine to care for the world's smallest penguin. The programme includes nest cleaning and exclusive back stage access to the vet room, and more. Additional activities are riding the Haggliund, experiencing an Antarctic storm and watching a 4D movie.

 International Antarctic Centre  
 Mon 8–Fri 12 July, 9am–4.30pm  
Mon 15–Fri 19 July, 9am–4.30pm

## Arion Explores the World of Animals and Plants

 **8-13** **\$60** Caregiver optional (free)



Experience being a farmer, a horticulturist and an explorer all in one day. Learn how animals and plants have valuable roles in today's environment. Seek out nature in the West Melton forest aboard our safe trekking horses ready and waiting to give you a safe and informative adventure.

-  Arion Farm Education Park
-  Every weekday of KidsFest, 9.30am–3.30pm

## Beach Clean-Up for Animals

 **8-13** **\$2** Caregiver required (free)

Rubbish can be a real hazard for wildlife. Over 40 per cent of marine bird species are known to eat plastic. SAFE invites you to come and clean up the beach for animals. It's a great way to say "I care". All you need is a sturdy pair of shoes and loads of energy. Gloves and bags provided.



-  New Brighton Library (Meet at the basketball courts south of the New Brighton Library)
  -  Tue 16 July, 10am–11.30am
- Postponed in the event of bad weather:  
17 July, 10am–11.30am



## Be a Husky Musher for the Day

 **8-13** **\$79** Children only



Learn how to care for and harness a Husky and how they can survive sub-zero temperatures as you experience an Antarctic storm with them. With these new skills you will then get the chance to be a musher and drive a husky pulled cart. Other activities such as 4D show and Hagglund ride are included.

-  International Antarctic Centre
-  Mon 8–Fri 12 July, 9am–4.30pm
- Mon 15–Fri 19 July, 9am–4.30pm

## Building a Mini Worm Farm

 **5-13** **\$5** Caregiver required (free)



Make your own mini worm farm to take home! Help make worm bedding and learn how to care for your worm farm. Please bring a 1.5 or 2 litre clear soft drink bottle and some newspaper to create your worm farm.

-  EcoDrop
-  Mon 15 July, 10am–11am, 1pm–2pm

## Cardboard Cathedral

 **5+** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)

Come and enjoy a guided tour of the world's newest cathedral – and the only one made substantially of cardboard! Have a look and learn about one of Christchurch's newest and unusual buildings- the Transitional Cathedral. A behind the scenes tour (BEHIND THE CARDBOARD)!

-  Transitional Cathedral (Cardboard Cathedral)
-  Wed 10 July, 10am–11am
- Wed 17 July, 10am–11am

## Chopper Spotter



3-7 \$6

Caregiver required (free)

Help us find the hidden hovering helicopters! Come to the Air Force Museum and search for different coloured helicopters. Can you find them all? Look carefully and you might see one or two real ones as well! When you've finished, return to base to get your well-deserved prize.



Air Force Museum



Every day of KidsFest (including weekends),  
10am–5pm

## Discover Your Genius



10-13 \$20

Children only

Up for a challenge? Want to discover your top talent and meet new friends? Join us for a fun-packed workshop in which you'll:

- Participate in a series of hands-on team challenges
- Be inspired by your own type of 'genius'
- Unleash your potential



ARA Institute of Canterbury



Mon 15 – Tue 16 July, 10am–noon, 2–4pm

## Double Decker City Tour



ALL \$7.50

Caregiver required (\$)

Hop on-board the Double Decker bus and enjoy a fun tour of Christchurch! Enjoy fantastic views from the top deck and listen to our driver tell interesting stories about the history of Christchurch! Fun for all ages! Children aged 2yrs and under are 'free of charge' with accompanying paying adult. Bookings are essential, see [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)



Canterbury Museum



Sun 7, Tue 9, Thu 11, Sat 13, Mon 15,  
Wed 17, Fri 19, Sat 20 July  
9.30am, 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm, 2.30pm

## Experience Antarctica Holiday Programme



6-12 \$69

Children only

Join our Antarctic team for a day or the whole week in the 'coolest' holiday program around with hands-on challenges, activities and games. Take a Haggliund ride, experience an Antarctic storm, play in the snow and ice room, get up close with a real Husky and take a simulated 4D cruise to Antarctica.



International Antarctic Centre



Mon 8–Fri 12 July, 9am–4.30pm

Mon 15–Fri 19 July, 9am–4.30pm

## Explore the Drum Kit



6-13 \$25

Caregiver optional (free)

Let the team at The Beat Music Studios show you how to explore the drum set in a half hour lesson. Learn how to hold the sticks and play your first drum beat. All materials are provided, so come along and learn to rock out!



The Beat Music Studios



Mon 8 July, 10am–3pm

## Family Planting Day



ALL FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

Calling all families! Help Park Rangers turn a neighbourhood park into a place where wildlife and people love to hang out. Plant trees and get a 'Tree Planter' certificate from the Department of Conservation and a BBQ sausage at the end.



West Broken Run



Sat 20 July, 10am–noon



Postponed in the event of bad weather:

Sunday 21 July, 10am–noon

## Fire Safety with Lincoln Fire Brigade

 **5-10** **\$10** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Playcentre dads and Lincoln firefighters Ian and Jamie will lead an action packed course on fire safety for 5 to 10 year olds. Learn how to run the hoses out! Find your way out of the maze and learn how to stay safe.

 Tai Tapu Playcentre  
 Mon 15 July, 9:30am–12:30pm

## From Green to Gold

 **7-12** **\$5** **Caregiver required (free)**



What happens to your green organics bin? Find out how it is turned into useful compost at the Organics Processing Plant.

 Organics Processing Plants  
 Mon 8 July, 10am–noon

## Helicopter Fun Day

 **ALL** **FREE!** **Caregiver required (free)**



Immerse yourself in all things rotary at the Air Force Museum! Check out real Air Force helicopters, climb aboard an Iroquois and discover the world of drones and radio-controlled helicopters at this free entry, one-day-only event.

 Air Force Museum  
 Wed 17 July, 10am–4pm

## Joanna Grochowicz

 **8-12** **FREE!** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Roald Amundsen – hero or villain? Amundsen's South Polar conquest is an extraordinary tale that combines risk, intrigue and adventure. Come and meet author Joanna Grochowicz as she recounts this gripping tale.

 Tūranga (Central Library)  
 Tue 16 July, 11am–noon

## Guardians of the Gardens

 **0-12** **FREE!** **Caregiver required (free)**

Join the Guardians of the Gardens and learn how to be an eco hero! The Guardians will teach you all about stormwater health, worm farms, recycling and how to craft with nature. Pick up a free map from the Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre.


 Christchurch Botanic Gardens  
 Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 9am–4pm




## Kids' Book Fair

 **ALL FREE!** Caregiver optional (free)

Thousands of high quality pre-loved books for kids of all ages, from just 50c each. PLUS a huge range of great books for mums and dads.

 St Martins Church Hall, 50 Lincoln Road, Christchurch


 Thu 11 – Sat 13 July, 10am–4pm

## Kids Cruise Free in Akaroa with Black Cat Cruises

 **ALL FREE!** Caregiver required (\$)

Explore Akaroa Harbour this KidsFest with Black Cat Cruises. Share a fascinating and fun two-hour cruise sighting dolphins, seals and maybe even penguins. Free tea and coffee provided with inside and outside seating. One free child with every full paying adult. Under 5's free all year. Call 0800 436 574 to book.

 Black Cat Cruises, Akaroa

 Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 11am–1pm, 1.30pm–3.30pm

## KidsFest under the Stars with Canterbury Astronomical Society


 **ALL \$8** Caregiver required (\$)

Explore the universe at the Canterbury Astronomical Society's observatory in West Melton. The observatory will be open most nights of Kidsfest, except Tuesdays, weather permitting. Bookings are essential. See <http://www.cas.org.nz/> for cancellations, booking and more information.


 C.A.S. Astronomical Observatory


 Sat 6–20 July, 7.30pm–9pm


## Learner Librarian Licence (Junior)


 **6-8 FREE!** Caregiver optional (free)

Want to be a librarian for a morning? Love books and reading? Come along and learn what happens behind the scenes at your local library. Learn how to sort and shelve, use the catalogue, share stories and many other wonderful things our librarians do! Bookings essential.

 Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre

 Tue 9 July, 9am–noon

 Papanui Library

 Thu 11 July, 9am–noon


## Learner Librarian Licence (Intermediate)


 **9-12 FREE!** Caregiver optional (free)

Want to be a librarian for a morning? Love books and reading? Come along and learn what happens behind the scenes at your local library. Learn how to sort and shelve, use the catalogue, share stories and many other wonderful things our librarians do!

 Papanui Library

 Tue 16 July, 9am–noon


 Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre


 Thu 18 July, 9am–noon

## Midwinter Christmas Time Tunnel

 **0-12 FREE!** Caregiver required (free)

Celebrate a midwinter Christmas. Featuring a 250m illuminated bush tunnel back to the wonder of the very first Christmas, with lots of quirky surprises along the way. Includes unexpected things to spot amongst the bushes, as well as farm animals and one of Canterbury's top harpists. (Event postponed in heavy rain.)



 Maranatha Farm, 293 Waterholes Rd

 Sat 6 – Sat 13 July, 7pm–8pm


## Orana Wildlife Park – Kids Visit for Free

 **ALL FREE!** Caregiver required (\$)

See NZ's only gorillas and orang-utans! Hand feed giraffe, meet rhino up close, view lions, tigers, meerkats, kiwi, whio, kea and more. Up to two kids (5-14 years) enter free with each paying adult upon presentation of this booklet. Available 6-21 July, not valid with other deals. Go wild at Orana!

-  Orana Wildlife Park
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 10am–5pm

## Polar Night at the Museum

 **ALL FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Pere the Penguin is lost! Wear a polar-themed costume and explore Canterbury Museum by torchlight to find clues to help him get home to Antarctica. If you can find all the clues, you'll go in the draw to win a great prize. Free to attend.

-  Canterbury Museum
-  Tue 9 July, 6pm–8pm  
Thu 11 July, 6pm–8pm  
Tue 16 July, 6pm–8pm  
Thu 18 July, 6pm–8pm

## Pre-schooler Sustainability Session – Waste

 **2-5 \$5** Caregiver required (free)



Recycling, landfill and organics can be confusing. Come along to this engaging workshop to test your knowledge and learn more about waste, where it goes, and why.

-  Cheese Mongers, Arts Centre Christchurch
-  Mon 8 July, 12.30–1.15pm, 2.30–3.15pm  
Tue 9 July, 11–11.45am, 12.30–1.15pm, 2.30–3.15pm

## Remix Plastic Recycling Workshop

 **4+ \$10** Caregiver required (free)



Plastic is a useful durable product, but this can be a problem if it ends up in the environment. Come along to this interactive workshop to learn about different types of plastic, what can be recycled in Christchurch and make your own repurposed products to take away with you.

-  Cheese Mongers, Arts Centre Christchurch
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Rotary Roundup

 **8-13 \$6** Caregiver required (free)

Explore the Air Force Museum to discover the different part names of rotary aircraft (helicopters). Find and record the parts to complete the diagram before using your super-sleuth skills to answer the final question. Job done? Make your way back to base to collect your prize.



-  Air Force Museum
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 10am–5pm



## Scorpio Books Reading Challenge

 **up to 17 FREE!** Caregiver optional (free)


Scorpio Books is hosting a reading challenge with chances to win great prizes. No purchase necessary, just pick up the entry form in-store beginning 1 July. Complete at least five of the challenges and you could win incredible prizes! Open to children aged 17 and under.

-  Scorpio Books
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 9am–6pm

## So you want to be a Train Driver?

 **ALL \$0.50** Caregiver required (free)



Join the North Canterbury Model Railway Club with their fantastic Thomas and Friends model trains. Stop at the station, wait for the passengers to get on and off, then move around the town. Kids can buy \$10 diorama kits to take home and create.

-  Rangiora Library
-  Mon 8–Fri 12 July, 9am–5pm

## Southern Centre Multi-Sensory Experience

 **ALL \$7.60** Caregiver required (free)



The Southern Centre's multi-sensory room with interactive equipment allowing participants to explore and interact in their own time. Bookings essential to secure a space.

-  Southern Centre Multi-Sensory Experience
-  Every weekday of KidsFest, 9am–4.30pm

## Spanish Immersion Holiday Program

 **5-12 \$59** Children only

Our immersion holiday program is for children with, or without, Spanish language experience. Check our website for more details. Children can enrol for one day or all week. We focus on one topic per day working in Spanish to explore the language – we have excursions most of the days.

-  Spanish Language Institute, 76 Peterborough Street
-  Every weekday of KidsFest, 8.30am–3.30pm

## Stop Motion Animation

 **8-12 \$20** Children only

Get creative using LEGO and discover the process of producing animated movies. Create a set and craft your own movie using stop motion photography. Bookings essential.

-  Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre
-  Tue 9 July, 9.30am–3.30pm
-  South Library
-  Thu 11 July, 9.30am–3.30pm
-  New Brighton Library
-  Wed 17 July, 9.30am–3.30pm
-  Upper Riccarton Library
-  Fri 19 July, 9.30am–3.30pm

## Sustainable Baby Times

 **0-2 \$5** Caregiver required (free)

Join Remix Plastic for conversation and interactive play at this sustainability focused baby times session. There will be lots of interesting things to look at and play with and the facilitator will discuss environmental changes, showing that we don't have to sacrifice having fun for the environment.

-  Cheese Mongers, Arts Centre Christchurch
-  Mon 8 July, 1.30–2pm
-  Tue 9 July, 10–10.30am, 1.30–2pm

## KIDS' WINTER GEAR NOW IN STORE



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## Sustainable Bags Workshop

 **8-12** **FREE!** Children only



Make the world a better place and learn how to make your own simple sustainable bags in the library. Personalise them with a funky cool logo and rock on!

-  Tūranga (Central Library)
-  Thu 18 July, 9.30am–12.30pm

## Teddy Stays out of Trouble

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



A morning of fun games and giveaways showing children how they can keep teddy and themselves safe at home and outside. Fire Service, Ambulance and Police will be there, as well as a bouncy castle, face painting, stories, games and lots of fun!

-  Woodend Community Centre
-  Thu 18 July, 10am–1pm

## The Christchurch Brick Show

 **ALL** **\$5** Caregiver required (\$)



The Christchurch Brick Show will exhibit amazing LEGO models for all age groups, with 200+ enthusiasts and collectors showing their designs, collections and contraptions to inspire creativity and innovation. Free parking on site and just \$5 per person – under 2 years old free!

-  Horncastle Arena
-  Sat 13 July – Sun 14 July, 9am–5pm

## The Great Fairy Hunt – Waimakariri

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Don't be cooped up indoors this winter, have some family fun and explore our great parks and recreational spaces. Join us on a hunt for the fairies' hiding places in North Canterbury. Marvel at the splendour of our flora and fauna along the way. There will also be face painting and a prize draw.

-  Kaiapoi domain
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 9am–5pm

## The Toy Collector

 **ALL** **\$5** Caregiver required (\$)



The Toy Collector boasts an enormous private collection of toys and collectables – a reminder of playtimes past. It is an eclectic display that will stir memories and prompt smiles with its working model railway, huge LEGO display and many displays that will suit all ages.

-  The Toy Collector
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 10am–4pm

## The World of Snow & Ice

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)

Come and enjoy a COOL experience in the world of snow and ice. Take a journey through our Antarctic tunnel. Make your own miniature world of snow and ice to take home with you. Find out what lives in these extreme environments, through a variety of craft and science activities with a chilly theme.

-  Lincoln Event Centre
-  Fri 12 July, 10am–12.30pm



## Waimakariri Libraries Family Quiz Nights

 **ALL FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Bring your whole family along for a fun filled night of trivia. Join the library staff for one of the three quiz nights across the district. Will your family be the winner of the coveted 'Golden Book'?

-  Rangiora Library
-  Mon 15 July, 7–8.30pm
-  Oxford Town Hall
-  Wed 17 July, 7–8.30pm
-  Kaiapoi Library
-  Thu 18 July, 7–8.30pm

## Waimakariri Libraries Mystery Trails

 **ALL FREE!** Caregiver optional (free)

Robots have taken over our libraries! They are hiding all around the library, but don't worry we will give you a clue or two to help find and exterminate them for us! Return your completed trail to enter the prize draw.

-  Rangiora Library, Oxford Library, Kaiapoi Library
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 9am–5pm



## Willowbank Keeper for a Day

 **10-13 \$70** Children only



A behind the scenes experience in to life as a keeper. Work alongside one of our keepers to help with the feeding of our animals and birds and cleaning of their enclosures. Be ready to have heaps of fun in a very hands-on way. This activity is all weather, and sometimes messy, so come dressed appropriately!

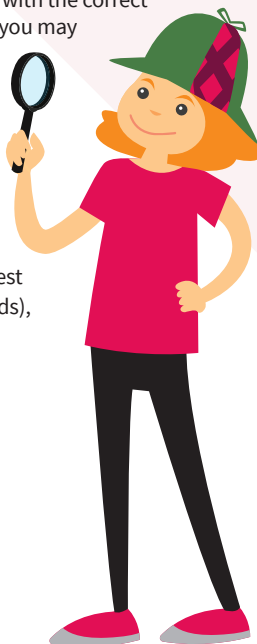
-  Willowbank Wildlife Reserve
-  Mon 8–Fri 12 July, 10.30am–2.30pm
- Mon 15–Fri 19 July, 10.30am–2.30pm

## Wingless Wonders

 **5-10 \$6** Caregiver required (free)

Air Force helicopters have lots of different jobs to do. Visit the Air Force Museum and match the helicopter outlines with the correct pictures of their jobs – you may be surprised at how amazingly useful our helicopters are! When you've finished, claim your hard-earned prize from the prize basket.

-  Air Force Museum
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 10am–5pm





## Plays, Shows & Young Performers

It's time to take the stage. From singing and dancing to performing in a play. There's something for everyone. Enjoy shows, ballet, movies and more!



**Peppa Pig and George  
Live Stage Show**

See page 41

## Aladdin & the Arabian Nights – Stage Musical



ALL

**\$16.25**

Caregiver optional (\$)

Come with us on a voyage with Sinbad, discover treasures with Ali-Baba and enjoy the humorous pranks of Aladdin all with a back drop of amazing colourful Arabian dancers, modern songs, comic market-place shenanigans and some beautiful special effects. HSPA's intermediate/senior production for 2019.



Rangiora Town Hall

First week of the holidays. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Alice in Wonderland



ALL

**\$9**

Caregiver required (\$)

When Alice, a restless young girl, falls down a rabbit hole, she enters a magical world. There she encounters an odd assortment of characters, including the grinning Cheshire Cat and the goofy Mad Hatter. When Alice ends up in the court of the tyrannical Queen of Hearts, she must stay on the ruler's good side or risk losing her head.



Merivale Lane Theatre

Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Badjelly the Witch



4+

**\$10**

Caregiver required (\$)

Tim and Rose are looking for their lost cow, Lucy, when they cross the path of Badjelly. She's the baddest witch in the world – she can turn children into sausages! She has captivated old and young alike in this highly inventive 1973 tale from Spike Milligan, as the search takes the pair through the magical enchanted forest, full of equally enchanted creatures. See [riccartonplayers.co.nz](http://riccartonplayers.co.nz) for further information.



The Drama Theatre, Rangi Ruru School, Merivale Lane



Thu 11 – Fri 12 July, 7pm

Sat 13 – Sun 14 July, 11am and 2pm

Thu 18 – Fri 19 July, 7pm

Sat 20 – Sun 21 July, 11am and 2pm

## Big Brass Bang!



ALL

**FREE!**

Caregiver required (\$)

Come along to the Woolston Brass Academy's 'Big Brass Bang' Concert. 60 minutes of fun music from Woolston Junior Band and Woolston Concert Brass, two bands who are part of the Woolston Brass family.



The Piano Centre for Music and the Arts



Sun 7 July, 2.30pm–3.30pm

## Carrot and Pickle Clown Extravaganza



3+

**\$8**

Caregiver required (\$)

Christchurch's favourite clowns, Carrot and Pickle, perform a dynamic, fun-tastic family circus show with crazy clowning, amazing acrobatics, stupendous slapstick, tricky juggling, goofy songs, clown magic and a whole bunch of hilarious audience participation.



Roy Stokes Hall



Sat 13 July, 10.45am–11.30am

## Circus Hullabaloo



4+

**\$15**

Caregiver required (\$)

The Christchurch Circus Trust presents another extraordinary circus show performed by our talented circus students. Presenting stupendous stunts of amazing acrobatic ensembles, ballistic balancing acts and awesome aerials.



Roy Stokes Hall



Fri 12 – Sun 14 July, 2pm–3pm



Updates and cancellations:

[kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

KidsFest

## CSO Presents: Peter & the Wolf, in association with Eliot Sinclair

 **ALL** **\$8** **Caregiver required (\$)**

Bringing to life the instruments of the orchestra in a symphonic fairy tale, Peter and the Wolf takes audiences on a magical musical adventure. These performances are in English and Te Reo Māori, and with a relaxed style for people with audio sensitivities are sure to enchant.

 Christchurch Town Hall  
 Tue 9 – Thu 11 July, 11am–2pm

## Discomania

 **3-13** **\$2** **Caregiver required (free)**







Come and get your wiggle on at this fun-filled disco designed for youngsters. Enjoy groovy music, games to play and plenty of spot prizes, so bring a friend and boogie the evening away. The tuck shop will be selling refreshments to keep you going!

 The Station (Leeston New Life Centre), Tai Tapu Community Centre  
 Thu 11 and Thu 18 July, 6pm–7.30pm

## Elgregoe the Magician presents AMAZE!

 **ALL** **\$5** **Caregiver required (\$)**



Award-winning magician ELGREGOE presents AMAZE! Amazing Illusions. Awesome parrots and Seymour the Amazing Dinosaur. Fun for all ages.

 Rolleston Community Centre  
 Mon 8 July, 1pm–1.45pm  
 Rangiora Baptist Church  
 Fri 12 July, 10.30am–11.15am  
 Riverside Community Church  
 Fri 12 July, 2pm–2.45pm

## Free Theatre Christchurch Holiday Workshop

 **8-13** **\$100** **Caregiver optional (free)**

In this 2-day workshop, based at Waldheim, Seven Oaks, members of the Free Theatre ensemble will guide participants through a range of performance skills, including: puppetry, mask, circus, physical theatre, sound and voice work.



 Waldheim, Seven Oaks  
 Mon 15 and Tue 16 July, 9am–3pm

## ‘Have a Go’ Music Lessons

 **6-17** **\$26** **Caregiver optional (free)**

\* Drums \* Guitar \* Piano \*



Here's your chance to learn two instruments in groups of up to four people with experienced tutors, without committing to any ongoing lessons. Learn beginner techniques and skills that may just be the start of a love for that instrument. Bookings are for one hour.

 Grace Vineyard Beach Campus  
 Tue 16 – Fri 19 July, 9am–5pm

## Hip Hop Workshop

 **5-13** **\$10** **Caregiver required (free)**

Learn from one of the best and youngest hip hop dancers in New Zealand! Manaia Davies will offer her skills to teach you techniques, routines, tips and create an all-round amazing experience. All abilities welcome, come and give it a go!

 West Melton Community Centre, Lincoln Event Centre  
 Tue 9 and Tue 16 July, 10am–11.30am

## IMAGINATION DANCE!



ALL

KOHA

Caregiver required (free)

A dance party for kids! Slip your dancing shoes on and set your imagination free at IMAGINATION DANCE! At this rocking, freestyle dance event we will be dropping the hottest tunes.... and raising awareness for our animal friends in need. Rally your friends and come! Proceeds to Extinction Rebellion.



Lyttelton Arts Factory



Wed 17 July, 11am–noon

## KidsFest Church Service



5+

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

Come to the Cardboard Cathedral for a “whale of a time”!! A church service for kids held at the Cardboard Cathedral, Latimer Square, Christchurch’s most innovative, forward-looking, post-quake architecture. Church with a difference – the re-telling of the famous story of Jonah and the Whale!



Transitional Cathedral (Cardboard Cathedral)



Sun 7 July, 10am–10.45am

## KidsFest at the Movies



5+

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

To celebrate the opening of KidsFest 2019 we are offering free movies at the Hoyts EntX Cinema on Colombo Street. We will have three awesome kids-themed movies on offer. All you need to do to get tickets is go to the KidsFest website and book the tickets through our ticket provider. The movies will play at three times during the day so you can pick the one that suits you.



Hoyts EntX, Colombo Street



Sat 6 July, 10am–6pm

KEY  
EVENT

## Magic Show: It's Just an Illusion



5-15

\$10

Caregiver required (free)

Come along and be amazed, as the award-winning magician ELGREGOE performs a fast-paced family show full of amazing illusions, featuring his exotic parrots. You will also learn a couple of simple tricks/illusions you can do.



Empower Church



Thu 11 July, 10.30am–noon

## Moviemania



4-13

\$2

Caregiver required (\$)

**Ferdinand** (G). Grab your friends and family, bring a cushion, bean bag or sleeping bag (why not all three) and settle in to watch a movie to remember!



Lincoln Event Centre



Tue 16 July, 2pm–4pm



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## Musical Theatre Performance

 **ALL** **\$15** Caregiver optional (\$)



Be entertained by talented children! Song and dance variety show featuring Impact Company kids PLUS the children who have been attending the Musical Theatre Workshops. Experience costumes, make up, lights and applause!

 Aurora Centre, Burnside High School  
 Thu 11 July, 2pm–3.30pm

## Musical Theatre Workshop

 **7-12** **\$100** Caregiver optional (free)



Here's your chance to be a star! Come and learn song and dance routines, drama, theatre sports and other musical theatre skills in a three-day workshop, then you will perform in a variety show (Musical Theatre Performance – 11 July). Perform in costumes, make-up and strut your stuff under lights!

 Impact Dance & Stage School,  
Aurora Centre, Burnside High School  
 Mon 8 – 11 July, various times.  
 See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## My Cat Likes to Hide in Boxes

 **ALL** **\$5** Caregiver required (\$)



The Christchurch School of Music presents the much loved children's story "My Cat Likes to Hide in Boxes" by Eve Sutton and Lynley Dodd. Through storytelling, live percussion music and dance, children will be taken on a world-wide journey through music in this version of a favourite book.

 Charles Luney Auditorium  
 Mon 15 July, 10am–10.45am,  
11.30am–12.15pm, 1.30pm–2.15pm

## Natural Magic Pirate Puppets

 **ALL** **\$2** Caregiver required (\$)



The Natural Magic Pirates, Captain Long John Knickers and Nudger, perform their classic original story, told through puppetry, music and storytelling.

 Avebury House  
 Mon 8 – Thu 11 July, 11am–11.45am

## Nor'west Brass, Zephyrs in Concert

 **ALL** **\$5** Caregiver optional (\$)



A showcase concert by Nor'west Brass Zephyrs followed by "try an instrument". Children will have the opportunity to try different instruments that make up a modern brass band.

 The Piano Centre for Music and the Arts  
 Mon 8 July, 12.15pm–1pm

## Once Upon a Happy Ending

 **ALL** **\$9** Caregiver required (\$)

Interactive theatre for children of all ages. "Once Upon a Happy Ending" is your usual fairy story with a difference – you, the audience, make it happen. Choose your heroes and villains, name the magical kingdom, create mythical creatures to save the day and help seek out those missing clues. Let your imagination do the work – follow the lead of the narrator and make a happy ending!! Carparking available.

 Malthouse Canterbury Children's Theatre  
 Various dates.  
 See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Peppa Pig and George Live Stage Show



**ALL FREE!** Caregiver required (free)

Come farewell KidsFest 2019 on Sunday 21 July with Peppa Pig and George, live on stage! Two amazing shows, 11am and 1pm. Pre show fun in Victoria Square from 10am. Prizes galore and a chance to meet Peppa and George! All tickets FREE – See kidsfest.co.nz and Facebook for details.

- 📍 Christchurch Town Hall – Douglas Lilburn Auditorium
- 🕒 Sun 21 July, 11am–11.30am, 1pm–1.30pm

KEY  
EVENT

## Performing Arts Winter Camp

**8-13 \$36 per day/ \$124 for four days** Children only

Four days of classes exploring, acting, singing and dance for ages 8-13yrs. Students will get the chance to work with different tutors and a range of topics like improvised theatre, musical theatre dance and pop singing to name a few. The classes will cover different things each day. Three different age groups.

- 📍 HSPA Studios
- 🕒 Mon 15 – Thu 18 July, 10.30am–4pm

## Southern Ballet Theatre presents 'Carnival of the Animals' and 'Peter and the Wolf'

**3+ \$15** Caregiver required (\$)

Two delightful ballets in one show featuring the junior and intermediate ballet companies. Come along to Southern Ballet's boutique theatre and enjoy these special performances.

- 📍 Southern Ballet Theatre
- 🕒 Various dates. See kidsfest.co.nz

## Southern Ballet Theatre presents 'The Village Festival'

**3+ \$15** Caregiver required (\$)

Southern Ballet Theatre presents 'The Village Festival'. Lise, a simple country girl lives with her mother. She dreams of falling in love with a poor farmer but her mother has different plans for her. Come along to Southern Ballet's boutique theatre and enjoy this entertaining ballet.

- 📍 Southern Ballet Theatre
- 🕒 Various dates. See kidsfest.co.nz

## Sport Suzie's Super Silly Circus Show

**3-13 \$5** Caregiver required (free)

This is a high energy, action-packed hilarious show full of crazy stunts! There will be flying yoyos, dazzling magic, super unicycling, crazy juggling, quite possibly the smallest bike you've ever seen, and hilarious audience participation.



- 📍 Lincoln Event Centre
- 🕒 Thu 18 July, 1pm–1.45pm



## The Early Early Late Show

 **7-12** **\$13** **Caregiver required (\$)**


The only show in town that both your seven and twelve-year-old will enjoy, The Early Early Late Show is unmissable improv comedy for teenagers. Performed by the clever Court Jesters, these comedians will create scenes, stories and songs on the spot with nothing but your ideas to inspire them.

 The Court Theatre  
 Sun 7 July, 4pm–5.15pm

## The Little Mermaid

 **ALL** **\$10** **Caregiver required (\$)**



Ignite Dance Company presents The Little Mermaid – a new ballet telling the story of Ariel, a mermaid princess who dreams of one day being human.

 Prebbleton Community Hall  
 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## The Princess and the Frog (and the Robber!)

 **5-8** **\$10** **Caregiver required (\$)**



Princess Lillian is home alone in her parents' castle... until she meets a talkative frog in the palace pond! There's no way a princess will ever be friends with a stinky frog – ew! – but then someone breaks into the castle! The princess and the frog must work together – can they do it?

 The Court Theatre  
 Wed 10 – Sat 20 July, 11am–12pm and 1pm–2pm

## The Snow Queen

 **3+** **\$12** **Caregiver required (\$)**



Imagine Youth Theatre brings Christchurch families The Snow Queen by Hans Christian Anderson. Gerda and Kai are best friends. When a magic mirror shatters and a shard lodges in Kai's eye he is changed and is lured away from his home by the Snow Queen. Gerda sets out to find and save him.

 Elmwood Auditorium  
 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## This is the Way We Sing and Play

 **0-5** **\$10** **Caregiver required (\$)**



This is an interactive musical event for parents, grandparents, caregivers and their children. Come along and enjoy a range of musical play activities which promote singing, listening, moving and playing. You'll have great fun responding musically with props such as the parachute and rainbow ring.

 Upper Riccarton Library – Learning Centres 1&2  
 Wed 17 July, 9.45am–10.15am, 10.30am–11am, 11.15am–11.45am

## Violet the Pirate Queen!

 **3+** **\$10** **Caregiver required (\$)**

Violet is a girl whose life has been planned for her. But Violet wants to become a pirate! Join her as she transforms her bedroom into a ship to sail the seven seas, the solar system and beyond! A colourful, engaging, physical, playful, dynamic, explosive show from the makers of The Little Prince.

 NASDA Theatre, Ara City Campus  
 Tue 9 – Thu 11, 11am–12pm, 2pm–3pm



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## Sports, Games & Adventure

Let's get moving. Runaway with the circus, or learn to sail on the sea. You can take on the snow and learn to ski, or try playing golf, squash or Karate.



**Pool Parties**  
See page 54



## #chchswing


**ALL FREE!**
**Caregiver required (free)**

#chchswing is a one of its kind oversized perspective swing and part of the Fletcher Living and Gap Filler *Placemaking at One Central* programme.

📍 #chchswing

🕒 Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

## Active Kool Kidz Kickstart Karate


**5-11 \$5**
**Caregiver required (free)**

Kidsfest Special! Karate session open to 5-11 year olds. The session will cover fun entry level Martial Arts moves, Weaponry (Nunchaku's) and games. An awesome chance to learn life skills and have fun at the same time in a safe and controlled environment.

📍 Proactive Martial Arts Ltd

🕒 Mon 8 July, 10.30am–11.30am

Tue 9 July, 1.30pm–2.30pm

Wed 10 July, 10.30am–11.30am

## Affinity Gymnastics Academy – Have-A-Go Session


**5-12 \$10**
**Caregiver optional (free)**

Have fun while learning gymnastics skills in our new facility under the guidance of our experienced coaches. Apparatus includes floor, bars, rings, beam and vault.

📍 Affinity Gymnastics Academy, Izone, Rolleston

🕒 Wed 10 and Wed 17 July, 10am–11am

## Aikido Action


**10+ FREE!**
**Caregiver required (free)**

Learn Aikido rolling, falling and self-defence in this informative introductory class. Did you know the Martial Arts discipline builds courage and tenacity, gains confidence, fitness and improved skills? Please ask your children to try their best and enjoy tackling some new challenges.

📍 Location to be advised

🕒 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

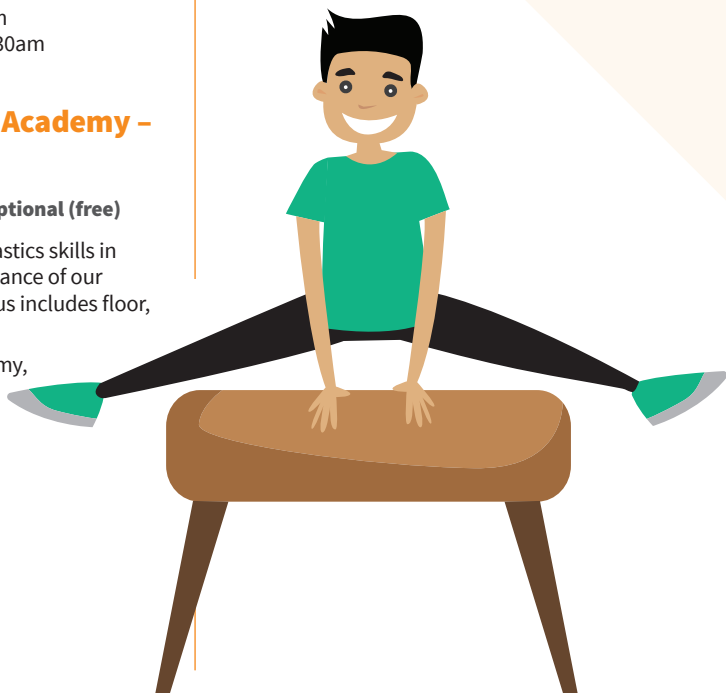
## Awesome Aerobics


**8-13 \$12**
**Children only**

Explore the wonderful world of Sport Aerobics for kids. It's a combination of gymnastics, dance, strength and flexibility. Never done it before? Doesn't matter. Here is your chance to have a go. Our coaches will take you through some of the moves and a small routine. Come on and try it.

📍 Christchurch School of Gymnastics



🕒 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)



## Awesome Circus Workshops

 **7-14** **\$14** Caregiver optional (free)



Have a go! Try out hanging on the trapeze, climbing the silks, balancing on globes, flipping with acrobatics, and tossing juggling stuff – all taught by professional tutors in small groups.

-  Roy Stokes Hall
-  Tue 16 July, 10.30am–12pm, 1pm–2.30pm  
Wed 17 July, 10.30am–12pm, 1pm–2.30pm

## Beach Ride – Adventure Horse Riding

 **3+** **\$40** Caregiver required (free)



One-hour beach and forest ride on horses and ponies. Suitable for kids and parents to ride. You will be supported with someone leading you so beginners are very welcome. New 30-minute ride for under 5's on small ponies. Check availability and time when booking.

-  Spencer Park Horse Park
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Beat the Bluff

 **5-13** **\$5** Caregiver required (free)



Beat the Bluff offers kids the opportunity to venture around a 4km loop through farmland and forest. They will race on foot in teams of 2-4 and navigate the track to complete challenges and earn points. The race emphasises teamwork, problem solving, sportsmanship, environmental awareness and fun!

-  Thwaites Farm, Hororata
-  Wed 10 July, 10am–1pm

## BJJ Ground Grapplers Hour of Power

 **5-13** **\$7.50** Caregiver required (free)



Ground grappling based Jiu Jitsu system, this is a combat sport that is fun for the whole family. Keep fit and strong, develop your self defence capability and enjoy the gains in confidence.

-  Location to be advised
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Blokart Landyacht Sailing

 **8+** **\$20** Children only



Have a blast on one of our blokarts for fun sailing on land. Velocity Karts is one of Christchurch's leading outdoor activities for all ages. Thirty minutes of the session will be spent in one of our blokarts under the guidance of our professional team. You'll leave with one of our famous blokart grins!

-  Bexley Reserve
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Brighton Buccaneers Treasure Trail

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Come down t' Brighton 'n discover our treasure trail. Solve th' clues, find th' spot, get some evidence o' yer findin's (take a rubbin' o' our hidden treasure) 'n enjoy th' surroundin's! Fun fer th' whole family! Go here for more details: [bit.ly/wellbeing\\_newbrighton](http://bit.ly/wellbeing_newbrighton)

-  Brighton
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends)

## Christmas in July at Flip Out

 ALL **\$17** Caregiver optional (free)



Come celebrate the holiday period with Flip Out Trampoline arena in a very special way. We will be turning the clocks forward by six months to bring the magic of Christmas to Christchurch. Come flip, bounce and free-run with Santa, Rudolf, and all of your favourite friends.

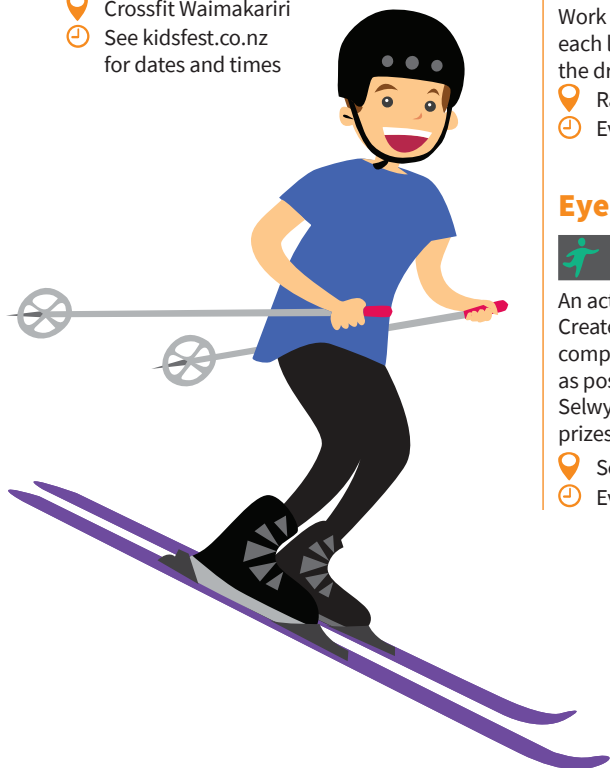
-  Flip Out Trampoline
-  Sat 13 July, 10am–5pm

## Crossfit for Kids

 8-12 **\$5** Caregiver optional (free)

Come along and give CrossFit kids a go! CrossFit incorporates gymnastics, body weight and weight lifting movements. This is a great opportunity for kids to come and give this a go in a fun and supportive environment. We love to show kids that an active and healthy lifestyle is lots of fun!



-  Crossfit Waimakariri
-  See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for dates and times



## Detour

 ALL **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



The Detour is part of the Fletcher Living and Gap Filler *Placemaking at One Central* programme adjacent to the intersection of Manchester and Armagh Street. Cycle, skateboard or scooter through. Mix up your travel in the city and add some fun factor, or make a special visit to hang out and enjoy!

-  Detour
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

## Ex-scavenge-anza! An adventure hunt through Rangiora

 ALL **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



This scavenger hunt can be done individually or as a team, so head off and go for an adventure. Work out our fiendish clues to find the netball in each location, take a photo, and upload it to be in the draw for one of our prize packs.

-  Rangiora Town Centre
-  Every weekday of KidsFest, 9am–5pm

## Eye Spy Selwyn

 ALL **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)

An activity hunt throughout the Selwyn District! Create your very own Eye Spy Selwyn booklet and complete as many quizzes/questions/activities as possible relating to various locations around Selwyn. Enter the draw at the end to win wicked prizes!

-  Selwyn facilities and district
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends)

## First Timers Introduction to Skiing at Porters

 **6+** **\$49** Caregiver optional (free)



Bring the children to learn to ski at Porters! Our internationally qualified instructors are friendly and fun, and they know how to get beginners skiing with ease while making the whole process enjoyable. Package includes beginners' lift pass, two-hour first timers group lesson and ski and boot hire.

-  Porters Ski Area
-  Sat 6 – Sat 20 July, 10.30am-4pm  
Postponed in the event of bad weather:  
Please check if ski area is closed due to weather – [skiporters.co.nz/snow-report](http://skiporters.co.nz/snow-report)

## Fitzy's Boxing Skills and Drills

 **10+** **\$7.50** Caregiver required (free)



A fun introduction to boxing circuit skills and a look at free moving boxing skills and drills.

-  Location to be advised
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Fun with Table Tennis

 **8-13** **\$3** Children only

Come join us for this fun packed event where kids will learn the basics of the game from our professional coaches and participate in many fun exercises that will keep them on their toes both mentally and physically.

-  Signbiz Table Tennis Stadium
-  Sat 6 July, 12pm–1pm  
Tue 9 July, 6pm–7pm  
Sat 13 July, 12pm–1pm



**Our beginner carpet lift makes it easy for your kids to learn to ski this winter!**

### Why Porters?

- Fantastic terrain and lifts suited for first time skiers
- Internationally qualified instructors to help get you moving with ease
- A suite of quality rental skis, snowboards and boots suitable for young skiers
- A mountain cafe serving hot meals, snacks and drinks; the perfect place to sit back and relax
- Easy parking close to all facilities
- Plus a free shuttle bus on weekends and holidays when snow chains are required

**Kids Fest special offer:**  
**First timer Ski Package for kids age 6-10 for just \$49**

[www.skiporters.co.nz](http://www.skiporters.co.nz)

## Game On!



5+

**FREE!****Caregiver required (free)**

Expand your world with a digital-free games challenge! Play an assortment of games and puzzles. On every morning at every library! We encourage the whole family to join in! Children aged under eight years of age will require active adult supervision.

📍 See website

🕒 Every day of KidsFest (including weekends)  
9.30am – 12.30pm

## Give Golf a Go!



6+

**\$5****Caregiver optional (free)**

Give golf a go at X-Golf Avonhead, on state of the art golf simulators. Great fun for all ages. Learn the basic fundamentals to the game.

📍 X-Golf Avonhead

🕒 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Give Squash a Go – Christchurch Squash Club



8+

**\$5.50****Children only**

Come and give squash a go, a great fast-paced game playable in all weather conditions as we are based indoors! We will provide the racket and safety glasses for each session.

📍 Christchurch Squash Club

🕒 Thu 18 July, 10.30am–12pm, 1.00pm–2.30pm  
Fri 19 July, 10.30am–12pm, 1.00pm–2.30pm

## Give Squash a Go – Burnside Squash Club



8+

**\$5****Caregiver optional (free)**

Burnside Squash Club is hosting “Give Squash a Go” for children 8+ years. Fun squash-based games and activities for two hours. Rackets and safety glasses will be provided. Clean, non-marking gym shoes to be worn.

📍 Burnside Squash Club

🕒 Sun 14 July and Mon 15 July,  
10.00am–12.00pm, 12.00pm–2.00pm,  
3.00pm–5.00pm

## Gym Fun Action Combo



5-13

**\$40****Caregiver required (free)**

Join us for an action-packed morning of games, gymnastics and trampoline. Leap, swing, balance, tumble, flip and bounce your way through a variety of physical challenges.

📍 Christchurch School of Gymnastics

🕒 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Gymfuntastic

**@ [www.olympia.org.nz](http://www.olympia.org.nz) – 2 hours**



5-13

**\$28****Caregiver optional (free)**

A fun-filled morning of gymnastic activities on all large equipment. Trampolines, double mini trampoline, beams, bars, rings, ropes, parallel bars, rhythmic equipment and floor activities (basic skills including forward rolls, handstands, cartwheels) and movement games. Qualified enthusiastic coaches.

📍 Olympia Gymnastic Sports

🕒 See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for dates

Updates and  
cancellations:

[kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)


KidsFest


## Gymfuntastic

@ [www.olympia.org.nz](http://www.olympia.org.nz) – 4hours

 5-13 **\$50** Caregiver optional (free)

A fun-filled four hours of gymnastic activities with trampolines, double mini-trampoline, beams, bars, rings, ropes, parallel bars, rhythmic equipment and floor activities, (basic skills including forward rolls, handstands, cartwheels), and much more.

 Olympia Gymnastic Sports


 See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for dates

## Gymnastics – Junior Gym

 8-13 **\$12** Children only

Explore the wonderful world of gymnastics. Come and leap, swing, bounce, balance, tumble and flip your way around our gym. Qualified coaches will take you through equipment circuits that challenge and delight. That's a flipping brilliant idea!


 Christchurch School of Gymnastics


 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Gymnastics – Little Gym

 5-7 **\$12** Caregiver required (free)

Explore the wonderful world of gymnastics. Jump in a sponge pit, swing on bars and rings, balance on beams, spring on trampolines, roll and tumble on a sprung floor. Qualified coaches will take you through equipment circuits that challenge and delight.

 Christchurch School of Gymnastics


 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Gymnastics – Mini Gym

 2-5 **\$12** Caregiver required (free)

Explore the wonderful mini world of gymnastics. Challenge your little ones, in a fun and safe environment. Take a leap into our foam pit, swing on bars and rings, balance on beams, spring on trampolines, roll and tumble on a sprung floor, there is so much fun to be had.

 Christchurch School of Gymnastics

 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Heros & Princess Day at Flipout

 ALL **\$17** Caregiver optional (free)

Have you got a little princess or a little hero at home? For this special day, everybody is welcome to dress up as their favourite superhero or princess.

 Flip Out Trampoline

 Sat 20 July, 10am–3pm

## High Ropes Challenge

 8-13 **\$20** Caregiver required (free)

Challenge yourself physically and mentally with an indoor high ropes course. Climb and clamber up and over different obstacles at great heights, then get swung from the ceiling on a GIANT INDOOR SWING!

 Rolleston Community Centre


 Wed 10 July, 9am–12pm, 1pm–4pm


Sat 13 July, 1pm–4pm

## Ice Skating Fun

 ALL **\$15** Caregiver optional (\$)

Glide into Alpine Ice during KidsFest for ice cold fun for the whole family. Suitable for all ages, free face-painting, music requests and knowledgeable staff on hand to assist beginners.

 Alpine Ice Sports and Entertainment Centre


 Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 10am–noon, 2pm–4pm

## Judo 4 Rugby

 **9-14** **\$35** **Children only**

Learn how to effectively tackle even the biggest of rugby players without hurting yourself! Gain real self-confidence tackling and being tackled. Learn how to take control.


 Tai Tapu Scout Den


 Mon 8 and Wed 10 July, 8.45am–12.30pm

## Judo – Self Risk Management for Youths

 **10-14** **\$35** **Children only**

Learn how to defend yourself and how to fall without getting hurt using Judo. Lots of games designed to teach both, along with easy to use self-defence skills. Mixed in with this, our 'Self Risk Management for Youths' a very successful programme to keep you safe. *Note: Tai Tapu run with safety mats.*

 Tai Tapu Scout Den


 Mon 8 and Wed 10 July, 12.30pm–4.45pm




## Judo Masters of the Universe! – 5 day programme (9+)

 **9+** **\$100** **Children only**

A week of learning the Japanese art of Judo, a modern Olympics sport, and working towards the first grade of yellow belt with our regular judo class members. Suits athletically capable children. Help build your children with discipline, courage and resilience.

 Location to be advised


 Every weekday of KidsFest (Mon-Fri), 9.30am–3pm

## Judo Masters of the Universe! – 5 day programme (7-8)

 **7-8** **\$80** **Caregiver optional (free)**

A week of learning the Japanese art of Judo, a modern Olympics sport, and working towards the first grade of yellow belt with our regular judo class members. Suits athletically capable children. Discipline adds courage and builds tenacity to children's abilities and usually big gains in confidence.

 Location to be advised


 Mon 8 – Fri 12 July, 9.30am–1pm

## JUDO SKILLS an HOUR of POWER

 **5-13** **\$7.50** **Caregiver required (free)**

This fun introduction and powerful Judo grappling system will teach falling skills, forward and backward rolls, and a give a taster of ground fighting holds and the rules of Judo. If we have time, we may show some standup skills that depends on the group understanding of break falls.

 Location to be advised

 Mon 8 July, 9.30am–10.30am



Wed 10 July, 9.30am–10.30am

Mon 15 July, 9.30am–10.30am

## Karate Kids

 **6+** **\$7.50** Caregiver required (free)



Are you interested in learning karate? This fun session will introduce you to striking skills and basic punches and kicks from White Fan Karate founder Mike Ryan!

-  Location to be advised
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Kid's Yoga

 **3-12** **\$10** Caregiver optional (free)



Take a journey into the world of kids yoga. Stretch, balance, breathe and play!

-  Chapel Street Community Centre
-  Tue 9 and Wed 10 July, 9.30am–10.15am, 10.30am–11.15am

## Learn to Ice Skate Lessons – 5 day programme

 **3-16** **\$100** Caregiver required (free)

Join us for a positive first ice skating experience! Skaters are grouped by ability and taught by experienced, qualified instructors over a 5 day course. Skaters will warm up, have a circuit based lesson with a qualified coach and finish with a 'cool down.'

-  Alpine Ice Sports and Entertainment Centre
-  Mon 8 – Fri 12 July, 8.45am–9.45am  
Mon 15 – Fri 19 July, 8.45am–9.45am

## Living Springs July Kids Camp – Around the World in 5 Days

 **8-12** **\$310** Children only



Come experience the feeling of travelling around the world all in just one week! Living Springs Kids Camp will be travelling the world in five days this July. Come join us for fun games and activities from around the world.

-  Living Springs Camp
-  Mon 8 Jul – Fri 12 July, 8am–3pm

## Muddy Adventure

 **0-12** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Come join us for a muddy adventure and try your hand at mud painting, cave chalking and adventure climbing. Lots of activities and stories along the way. Don't forget your mug for a nice cup of soup at the end :-)

-  Victoria Park
-  Tue 16 July, 10am–4pm

## Navigational Rampage

 **5-13** **\$5** Caregiver required (free)


A mash-up of cross country navigational techniques such as Rogaine, Orienteering and other ones to keep you on your toes. Gather points by visiting controls that you navigate to. Race against other teams to win the most points within the time allowed!

-  Foster Park
-  Fri 12 July, 10.30am–12.30pm  
Mon 15 July, 10.30am–12.30pm  
Cancelled in the event of bad weather

## Nerf Battle Bonanza

 **7-13** **\$12** Caregiver optional (free)



Use your speed, stealth and aim and enjoy an hour of Nerf gun challenges. Includes target practice, structured games and ending in a free for all battle. Only one will be left standing! Will you be our Nerf battle champion? Come and give it a go.

-  Christchurch School of Gymnastics
-  Wed 17 July, 11.30am–12.30pm

## Nerf Wars

 **6+** **\$17** Caregiver optional (free)

Hunt around your room and dig out your favourite Nerf gun. Join us for massive fun on our huge facility filled with trampolines, blocks and bouncy surfaces. We will organise teams for a huge battle and also have some individual events. Parents have grandstand viewing from our cafe and great coffee.

-  Flip Out Trampoline
-  Fri 12 July, 6pm–9pm

## Ninja Action Combo

 **7-13** **\$40** Caregiver optional (free)

Join us for an action packed ninja training day! Learn how to be stealthy, strong and fast like a ninja and put your new skills to the test with an epic Nerf gun battle. Run, climb, leap, flip, crawl and roll your ways through all our challenges and be a ninja hero for a day!

-  Christchurch School of Gymnastics
-  Wednesday 17 July, 9am–1pm

## Parent and Child Ninja Class

 **0-5** **\$10** Caregiver required (\$)



Do you have a child under 5 who likes climbing stuff and has a lot of energy? Why not come to FlipOut and do something awesome with this energy? This lesson will help your child improve certain abilities as well as making it a fun way for you and your child to work together.

-  FlipOut Trampoline
-  See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for dates and times

## Parkour and Freerunning

 **ALL** **\$17** Caregiver optional (free)

Come join us for our Parkour and Freerunning clinics. Our expert trainers will take you through overcoming obstacles in the most efficient manner. Great for beginners. Parkour is definitely the next big thing in movement sports.

-  Flip Out Trampoline
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Pool Parties!

 **ALL** **\$3.50-\$6** Caregiver required (Free-\$5.80)

Come along and have swim fun on inflatables, dance in the water to our DJ and play some pool games. Spot prizes for style and safe swimmers! Standard pool fees apply, tickets are available at the pool.




-  Pioneer Recreation and Sports Centre
-  Sat 6 July, 1–3pm
-  Taiora QEII Recreation and Sports Centre
-  Sun 7 July, 1–3pm
-  Jellie Park Recreation and Sports Centre
-  Sun 14 July, 1–3pm
-  Graham Condon Recreation and Sports Centre
-  Sat 20 July, 1–3pm



## Psst! – Professional Super Spy Training

 **5-12** **\$10** Caregiver required (free)



Calling all recruits! Spy training starts these holidays. Get your spy ID badge and spy training booklet, then test your skills with the obstacle course, gadgets, spy codes, disguises, Nerf gun training, and heaps of fun spy stuff! Book at [www.kaiapoiadventure.co.nz](http://www.kaiapoiadventure.co.nz) or email [kaiapoisky@gmail.com](mailto:kaiapoisky@gmail.com).

-  Kaiapoi North School
-  Fri 12 July, 10am–noon, 2pm–4pm
-  Sat 13 July, 10am–12pm

## Pukeko Centre – Have a go bowls

 **8-13** **FREE!** Caregiver optional (free)



Indoor bowls for children aged 8 to 13. A one hour session designed for kids to have a go at a new sport and to learn some new skills.

-  Pukeko Centre
-  Mon 8 July, 10am–11am

## Rams Camp

 **9-17** **\$120** Caregiver optional (free)



Come along to the Rams Basketball Camp! Learn new basketball skills, get to know new people, and overall just have heaps of fun being involved in one of New Zealand's most popular sports! Run by Canterbury Rams coaches/players this is not an event to be missed!

-   See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for location, dates and times

## Roller Disco

 **ALL** **\$10** Caregiver required (\$)



Grab some friends and come for a roller skate, all skates and safety gear is provided. Great music, games and prizes. All ages and abilities welcome.

-  Woodend Community Centre, Rolleston Community Centre, Wharenui Pool, Celebration Centre
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Roll With It

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Made by Huxster MTB Trust and Gap Filler, The Roll with It pump track is free and open to use at any time. This wooden track is great for kids on scooters, skates, skateboards and bikes. Located in the new-look Mollett Street near the Justice Precinct.

-  Roll with It Pump Track, by Gap Filler
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

## Rugby Tackle Tactics

 **5-13** **\$15** Caregiver required (free)



This isn't a rugby initiative but a Judo coach who assisted rugby teams (CRFU and Samoa) with tackle confidence and techniques that improved ball retention. Basic tackle skills from side front and rear aimed to boost confidence.

-  Location to be advised
-  Mon 8 July, 9.30am–11am, 11am–12.30pm

## Self Defence training session for mother and daughters

 **9-17** **\$15** Caregiver required (free)

A class targeting self-defence survival skills for children 9+ years and a parent/caregiver, to learn what they do not know, so they understand the need to learn how to survive an assault presumably from similar aged children. Parents are active on the mats here. Please wear appropriate loose comfortable clothes.

-  Location to be advised
-  Tue 16 July, 10am–11.30am



## Shipwrecked!



ALL

\$3.50

Caregiver required (\$5.50)

Ahoy mateys!! Come join us for our shipwreck themed pool parties! There will be a DJ, games, prizes and lots more. Make sure you don't miss out on all the fun, get your tickets today!

- 📍 Dudley Park Aquatic Centre
- 🕒 Wed 10 July, 1pm–3pm
- 📍 Kaiapoi Aquatic Centre
- 🕒 Fri 19 July, 3pm–5pm

## Sky High Trampolining



6-13

\$12

Caregiver required (free)

Explore the wonderful world of trampoline, bounce your way through fun and challenging circuits of trampoline skills. Try some new tricks or re-discover old ones.

- 📍 Christchurch School of Gymnastics
- 🕒 Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Slacklining Park



ALL

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

The Slacklining Park is part of the Fletcher Living and Gap Filler *Placemaking at One Central* Programme. Located at the corner of Worcester St and Rauora Park, it is New Zealand's first park of its kind. At the park we have a fixed line with soft fall pit open to all to try 'slacking' any time.

- 📍 Slacklining Park
- 🕒 Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm



## Springfree Jumpfest



2-13

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

Springfree Trampoline is proud to host the Jumpfest for 2019! Come along with your children for an action packed fun day of jumping, games and win some cool prizes! Bookings are essential. This will be weather dependent and we will advise on the morning of the event if it will be cancelled.

- 📍 Springfree Trampoline
- 🕒 Tue 9 and Wed 10 July, 10am–2pm

## Squash for Fun



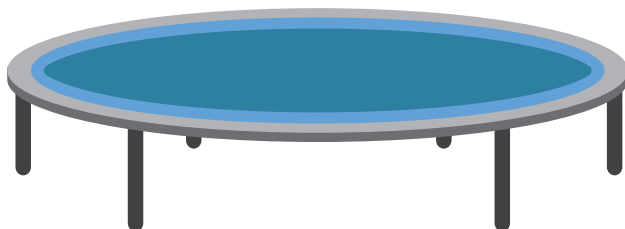
8-13

\$5

Caregiver optional (free)

Come on down and enjoy a hit of squash, have some fun with your friends, maybe even make some new friends. Try a sport where you don't have to go outside and play in the rain. See KidsFest website for ticketing information.



- 📍 Linwood Squash Club
- 🕒 Fri 12 July, 10am–noon, 12pm–2pm, 3pm–5pm



## Sumo Wrestling

 **5+** **\$7.50** Caregiver required (free)



A fun introduction to sumo wrestling skills including pushing and shoving. A very physical class, a great work out.

-  Location to be advised
-  Tue 9 and Thu 11 July, 9.30am–10.30am

## Super Street Arcade

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Gap Filler's Super Street Arcade is the world's first giant, outdoor arcade game situated at the intersection of Tuam and High streets. Get active as you move the giant joystick and jump on the over-sized buttons to play one of the unique classic-style retro games.

-  Super Street Arcade by Gap Filler
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

## TAEKWON-DO School Holiday Programme

 **4-13** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Free school holiday international Taekwon-Do classes! Kids will learn techniques of one of the world's most popular martial arts which became famous for its amazing flying kicks. They will run, jump, play cool games and have tonnes of fun while being introduced to aspects of Taekwon-Do.

-  Cobham Intermediate School
-  Mon 15 – Fri 19 July, 1.30pm–2.30pm, 2.30pm–3.30pm, 3.30pm–4.30pm

## TAEKWON-DO Intro Class

 **5-17** **\$7.50** Caregiver required (free)

Taekwon-Do is a Korean self-defence and Olympic sport, based on growing strong, fit and healthy combative-resilient children.

-  Location to be advised
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Teddy Bears Picnic

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Teddy Bears Picnic in the Kaiapoi food forest. Bring your teddy down, and your picnic, for old fashioned family activities. Arts and crafts, games, and more. If wet it will be held in Cass Street Church hall.

-  Kaiapoi Food Forest
-  Sat 20 July, 10.30am–2.30pm

## Terrific Tumbling

 **8-13** **\$12** Children only



If you love doing flips, somersaults, tucks, handstands and handsprings, this is the class for you. Suitable for all abilities, you will get a taster of some basic tumbling moves in a safe and controlled environment with a fully qualified coach.

-  Christchurch School of Gymnastics
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Te Wero Gymnastics – Give it a Go Sessions

 **5-13** **\$12** Caregiver optional (free)



Come learn the basics of the wonderful sport of gymnastics. Your kids will learn movements, shapes and skills they can take from gymnastics into any sport.

-  Te Wero Gymnastics
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Te Wero Gymnastics – Open Session

 **ALL** **\$8** Caregiver required (free)



Come along, 'give-it-a-go', enjoy bouncing, swinging, spinning, rolling, flipping and jumping at Te Wero Gymnastics Open Community Session. Be a part of the action.

-  Te Wero Gymnastics
-  Fri 19 July, 1.30pm–2.30pm

## Te Wero Gymnastics – Parkour Sessions

 **6+** **\$12** Caregiver optional (free)



Parkour class engages children through fun games, exciting challenges, and obstacle courses. Children will fall in love with the creative expression, strength, and physical endurance training without even realising they're working out.

-  Te Wero Gymnastics
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Te Wero Gymnastics – Preschool Sessions

 **1-5** **\$10** Caregiver required (free)



Te Wero Gymnastics welcomes you to bring your preschool-aged child to our structured pre-school sessions. This session is designed for all children from 18 months to 5 years of age.

-  Te Wero Gymnastics
-  Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## The Commons

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



The Commons is an ever evolving public space managed by Gap Filler. All are welcome any time to enjoy a spot of green grass in the city. For KidsFest we will be sure to have the building blocks and a few other toys in our box.

-  The Commons
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

## The Great Puzzle Race

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



Race against the clock to solve the mystery and unlock our treasure chest! Follow the clues and complete the puzzles along the way – teams who finish the race are in to win!

-  Christchurch i-SITE Visitor Centre
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 10am–3pm

## The Kaiapoi Teddy Bear Hunt

 **ALL** **FREE!** Caregiver required (free)



The pesky, tricky teddys are back in Kaiapoi! Search high and low in the shop windows – some even have disguises! Come to the Kaiapoi town centre to find them. Enter the draw for great prizes – fun for all the family. Entry form from Kaiapoi i-Site or download from [kaiapoiadventure.co.nz](http://kaiapoiadventure.co.nz)

-  Kaiapoi Town Centre
-  Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

## Trampfuntastic @ [www.olympia.org.nz](http://www.olympia.org.nz)

 **6-13** **\$15** Caregiver optional (free)

Trampoline and double mini skills based programme. Trampoline time is loaded with health benefits, improving balance, agility, coordination, and spatial awareness. We encourage parents to enrol kids in Olympia's classes prior to getting a backyard trampoline.

-  Olympia Gymnastic Sports
-  See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for dates

## Tramps and Tumbling Clinics



6+

\$17

Caregiver optional (free)

Come join us for some flippin' magic on our fantastic tramps and Air Tracks tumbling mat. Our coaches will help you perfect that perfect tumbling sequence or the clean move you have always wanted to do on the trampoline. Any skill level is welcome.



Flip Out Trampoline

Various dates, see [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Treasure Hunt



7-10

\$16

Caregiver optional (free)

Do you like treasure hunts, solving riddles and thinking outside the box? Then this is perfect for you! Come to FlipOut and pass an afternoon searching for the final treasure.



Flip out Trampoline

See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for dates and times

## Volleyball – Give it a go (9-10)



9-10

\$20

Caregiver optional (free)

Kids that sign up will get to learn all the volleyball skills from our Kiwi volleyball coaches as well as try them out in a game! This will be a fun-filled two hours and is perfect for kids that have never played before or just beginning to play!



Pioneer Recreation and Sport Centre



Tue 16 July, 10am–12pm

## Volleyball – Give it a go (11-13)



11-13

\$20

Caregiver optional (free)

Kids that sign up will get to learn all the volleyball skills from our Kiwi volleyball coaches as well as try them out in a game! This will be a fun-filled two hours and is perfect for kids that have never played before or just beginning to play!



Pioneer Recreation and Sport Centre



Wed 17 and Thu 18 July, 10am–12pm

## Volleyball Sitting – Give it a Go, Skills and Games



8-17

\$20

Caregiver optional (free)

Kids that sign up will get to learn all the volleyball skills from our Kiwi volleyball coaches as well as try them out in a game! This will be a fun-filled two hours and is perfect for kids that have never played before, kids with disabilities along with those who have experienced volleyball!



Pioneer Recreation and Sport Centre



Fri 19 July, 10am–noon

## Willows on Worcester



ALL

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

The Willows on Worcester is a living willow sculpture near Latimer Square as part of the Fletcher Living and Gap Filler *Placemaking at One Central* programme. It has been designed to encourage children to run through, play around, get a feeling of enclosure and create happy memories.



Willows on Worcester



Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

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and be in to win  
great prizes!



age range



venue



date

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A scenic view of the Christchurch Gondola cable car system. The gondola is suspended from a cable and is moving across a valley. In the background, there are mountains and a body of water. The sky is blue with some clouds. The text 'Christchurch attractions' is written in a stylized font at the top. Below it, the word 'GONDOLA' is written in large, bold, blue letters. To the right of 'GONDOLA', there is a blue circle with the text 'kids free!' in white. Below the circle, it says 'Special conditions apply'. On the left side, there is a list of activities. On the right side, there is information about the opening hours and contact details.

**Christchurch**  
*attractions*

# GONDOLA

**kids  
free!**

*Special conditions apply*

- Stunning 360° views
- The Red Rock Cafe
- Time Tunnel Ride
- Shop at the Top
- Walking Tracks

Open from 10am  
10 Bridle Path Road, Christchurch  
[gondola@christchurchattractions.nz](mailto:gondola@christchurchattractions.nz)  
[christchurchattractions.nz](http://christchurchattractions.nz)

*\* Valid July 6th - 21st 2019. Up to 3 kids free per paying adult. Child age 15 and under.  
Cannot be used in conjunction with any other promo or discount offer.*



## ARE YOU A LITTLE EXPLORER READY FOR YOUR NEXT ADVENTURE?

Set sail to discover a whole world of science, history, discovery and wonder at Rutherford's Den museum, and The Arts Centre Te Matatiki Toi Ora, where a rich heritage meets an exciting future.

Visit Rutherford's Den to collect your free activity passport, enter the museum to start your expedition, and get stamped for every fun discovery activity completed.

Kids enter the den for free with every paying adult these school holidays.

[RUTHERFORDSDEN.ORG.NZ](http://RUTHERFORDSDEN.ORG.NZ)



**RUTHERFORD'S  
DEN**





## Technology

Robots galore! Build your own robot, or battle it out with LEGO Mindstorms Battlebots. Try being a DJ, laser cutting or 3D printing your own design.




**Can U C it Fly!**

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## 3D Design and Printing

 **ALL** **\$7** **Children only**





No pencils, crayons or paints permitted in this incredible 3D design adventure! See our 3D printer in action and create your own cool 3D design using an amazing computer program. Let your creativity run wild and enjoy this awesome 3D adventure.

-  TechMate
-  Tue 9 & Tue 16 July, 10.15am–12.15pm, 2pm–4pm

## 3D Tinker Workshop

 **10-13** **\$30** **Children only**



Calling all tinkers! Come along to our 3D maker workshop and use 3D design to create your very own masterpiece.

-  South Library
-  Mon 8 July, 9.30am–3pm
-  Upper Riccarton Library
-  Tue 16 July, 9.30am–3pm

## Can UC it Fly!

 **7-12** **\$10** **Caregiver optional (free)**

The KidsFest event “Can UC It Fly” is designed to give children a first-hand experience in one of Mechanical Engineering’s core discipline – Fluid Dynamics. The event includes building a glider, using laser cutting and 3D-printing, which the participant will then be able to take home.

-  University of Canterbury, Mechanical Engineering Department
-  Mon 8 – Tue 9 July, 9am–10.30am, 11am–12.30pm



## ‘Have a Go’ DJ Lessons

 **10-17** **\$26** **Caregiver optional (free)**



An introduction to DJing in groups of up to four people with “DJ Co-Motion” as your tutor! Learn the basics, play music on DJ controllers, mixers and apps. Bookings are for one hour with a short break in the middle. No experience needed.

-  Grace Vineyard Beach Campus
-  Tue 16 – Fri 19 July, 9am–5pm

## Imagination Station: Battlebots – Robotic Sumo Wrestling

 **9-13** **\$22** **Caregiver optional (free)**



Battle it out with LEGO Mindstorms Battlebots! Learn to program your own fighting robot! Participants will build and program a robot to push its rivals around. Some experience would be beneficial for younger imagineers!

-  Imagination Station
-  Thu 11 July, 3.30pm–5.30pm  
Mon 15 July, 2pm–4pm

## Imagination Station: Dozerbots – Robotic Bulldozers

 **8-13** **\$22** **Caregiver optional (free)**

Learn to build and program an autonomous robotic bulldozer! Participants will build and program a robot to see who can create the best and fastest LEGO pushing machine. Some experience would be beneficial for younger imagineers!

-  Imagination Station
-  Tue 9 July, 2pm–4pm

## Imagination Station: Introduction to Robotics



5-10

\$12

Caregiver required (free)

A fun introduction to building and programming using LEGO Mindstorms EV3 robots. During this class you'll build your own robot, learn about different sensors, and program it to complete a fun challenge. A great start for young imagineers!



Imagination Station

Various dates. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## Imagination Station: Remote-Controlled Rescuebots



9+

\$22

Caregiver optional (free)

Learn to program a remote-controlled robot! Participants will build and program a robot to complete a range of fun and tricky challenges. Some experience would be beneficial for younger imagineers!



Imagination Station



Wed 17 July, 3.30pm–5.30pm

## Imagination Station: Technic Contraptions



8-13

\$17

Caregiver optional (free)

Explore building with mechanics, electricity and renewable energy. Children will work in pairs to build Technic contraptions powered by both batteries and renewable energy sources. Wind power? Solar power? Muscle power? Where there is energy, we'll harness it!



Imagination Station



Wed 10 July, 12.30pm–2pm

Fri 19 July, 12.30pm–2pm

## Imagination Station: Technic Remote Controlled Race Cars



8-11

\$17

Caregiver optional (free)

Build a remote controlled car out of LEGO Technic! This class teaches kids how to design and build their own remote control car using LEGO Technic power functions. Once the building is complete, race your creation around a series of obstacles!



Imagination Station



Mon 8 July, 4pm–5.30pm

Tue 16 July, 12.30–2pm

Thu 18 July, 2pm–3.30pm

## Imagination Station: Technic Starter



5-8

\$12

Caregiver optional (free)

This brand new class allows kids to explore building with Technic, creating structures that can move! A catapult, a rubber band car, a grabbing machine and more.



Imagination Station



Tue 9 July, 4.30pm–5.30pm

Thu 11 July, 12.30pm–1.30pm

Mon 15 July, 4.30pm–5.30pm

Wed 17 July, 12.30pm–1.30pm

## Kids Tech at Ara



8-13

\$10

Caregiver optional (free)

Come and experience a taste of engineering with the Engineering and Architectural Studies department at Ara. Explore with hands-on activities including design a rocket, drive a robot and see our Toyota race engine running. White water racing, plus build a flying machine to take home.



Ara Department of Engineering and Architectural Studies

Mon 8 – Wed 10 July, 10am–11.45am,  
12.30pm–2.15pm, 3pm–4.45pm

age range

venue

date

[Visit kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz) for full information

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## Minecraft Game Zone



6-10

\$7

Children only

Interact with others in our own virtual world that you help to create. Bookings essential.



Tūranga (Central Library), Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre, Upper Riccarton Library, New Brighton Library, South Library



Various times. See [kidsfest.co.nz](http://kidsfest.co.nz)

## RoboFun



10-13

\$15

Children only

Learn the basics of how robots work and how to program them to use sensors and complete a set of challenges. Bookings essential.



New Brighton Library



Fri 12 July, 9.30am–3pm



Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre



Wed 17 July, 9.30am–3pm

## Robot Adventures



5-7

\$7

Children only

What is a robot? Come and find out for yourself. During this time, hear some great stories about what robots get up to. You will even have a chance to play with a robot and do some other fun activities too. Bookings essential.



New Brighton Library



Tue 9 July, 10am–noon



Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre



Mon 15 July, 10am–noon

## Super Street Arcade



ALL

FREE!

Caregiver required (free)

Gap Filler's Super Street Arcade is the world's first giant, outdoor arcade game situated at the intersection of Tuam and High streets. Get active as you move the giant joystick and jump on the over-sized buttons to play one of the unique classic-style retro games.



Super Street Arcade by Gap Filler



Every day of KidsFest (including weekends), 8am–5pm

## Technology Tinker Workshop



10-13

\$30

Children only

Join our team of library staff and the team from the Canterbury Engineering Hub in a fun day of tinkering with gadgets and gizmos. Be inspired to innovate and create. Take home a sample of your brilliance.



Tūranga (Central Library)



Fri 12 July, 9.30am–3pm

Updates and  
cancellations:

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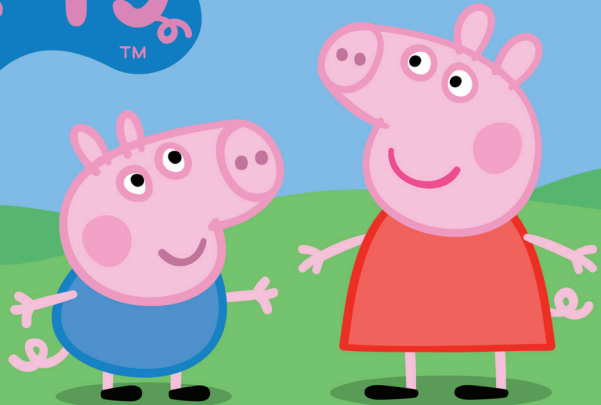
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Sunday 21 July 2019

11am and 1pm

Christchurch Town Hall

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Pre show fun in Victoria Square from 10am  
Prizes galore AND a chance to meet Peppa and George!