

Inspire your world at the library.



RAISING BILINGUAL CHILDREN

Wed 4 Dec | Clive James Library, Kogarah | 10am-11am | Parents & educators of 0-5 year olds | Free

Learn how to navigate the challenges of raising bilingual children. Gain strategies to develop your bilingual child's language development through play and hands on learning in this evidence-based workshop.



PHOTO BINGO: PHOTO WALK

Thursday 21 November 2024
Oatley Library | 5.30pm-7.30pm
Ages 16+ | Free

Signed up for [Photo Bingo](#) but need some extra inspiration? Join us and receive tips and guidance to help you capture the best shots of the Oatley area, covering categories found on your Photo Bingo card.



JOB SHIFT POWERPOINT

Wednesday 20 November 2024
Hurstville Library | 2pm-4pm | Ages 16+ | Free

Looking for professional development to upgrade your job skills and productivity? Join us in this workshop to get up to speed with PowerPoint, the popular presentation software that is a valuable tool for most roles.

TECH CHAT: EXPLORE, LEARN, CONNECT

Tech Chat: Scam Awareness & Prevention

Monday 11 November | Clive James Library, Kogarah

Monday 9 December | Hurstville Library

2pm-2.45pm | Ages 16+ | Free

This program aims to equip participants with the knowledge and tools needed to recognise and combat online scams. Participants will learn about essential topics such as identifying common scam tactics, understanding privacy settings, and implementing effective online safety measures.

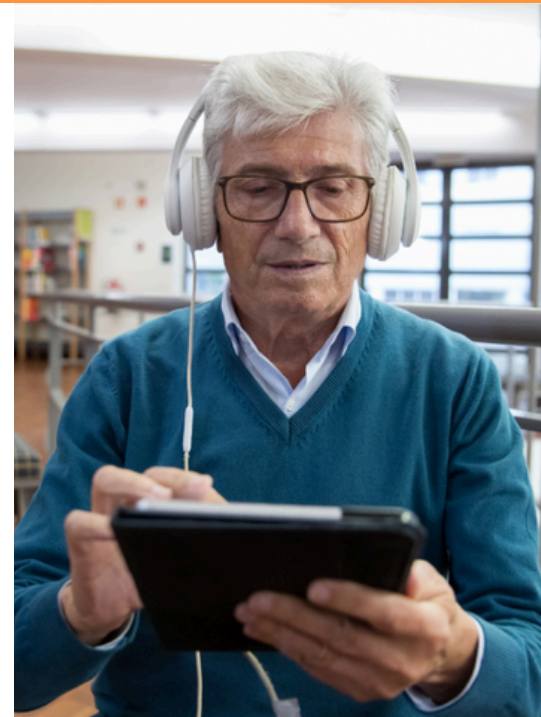
Tech Chat: Listen Up and Discover Free eAudiobooks

Monday 18 November | Hurstville Library

Monday 2 December | Clive James Library, Kogarah

2pm-2.45pm | Ages 16+ | Free

Learn how to access thousands of eAudiobook titles for free using your library membership. Explore user-friendly apps and platforms like Libby, indyreads and BorrowBox, and get tips on finding your next great listen.



Children and Youth Programs at the library.



SPECIAL STORY TIMES

Diwali

Friday 1 November | Kogarah Library
Celebrate Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights, with a special story time!

Grandparents' Day

Friday 1 November | Hurstville Library
Celebrate with grandparents, grand-friends and kin with a story time followed by cupcake decorating.

IDPwD Story Time

Wednesday 4 December | Penshurst Library (Auslan interpreted)

Friday 6 December | Kogarah Library

Join Georges River Libraries for special story times to learn more about diversity and inclusion this International Day of People with a Disability.

SPEECHIE LIBRARY TALKS

Friday 8 November | 10am-11am

South Hurstville Library

Tuesday 12 November | 10am-11 am

Clive James Library, Kogarah

Friday 15 November | 10am-11 am

Penshurst Library

Thursday 21 November | 6pm-7pm

Oatley Library

Friday 22 November | 10am-11 am

Hurstville Library (with a Chinese interpreter)

Parents & carers of 0-5 year olds
Free

Meet your local speech pathologist, enjoy a reading of one of Speech Pathology Australia's Book of the Year 2024 winning books, and find out more about how you can support your child's language and literacy development at home.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Sun 1 December - Fri 31 January
Online | 0-16 years | Free

Make a splash this summer and have a whale of a time reading in the Georges River Libraries Summer Reading Challenge! Children and young people aged 16 and under are invited to log their summer reading, and collect rewards and entries to the grand prize as they read.

BEANSTACK

Use the Beanstack app to log your Summer Reading Challenge reading!

Install the Beanstack app on your phone or tablet, or visit the Beanstack website: georgesriver.beanstack.org

EMBRACE KIDS MOVIE SCREENING

Fri 22 Nov | Hurstville Library | 6pm
9-14 years & their carers | Free

EMBRACE:KIDS (Rated G) is an uplifting film which brings together stories from young people and famous friends alike, who share their experiences about body image, bullying, gender identity, advocacy, representation and more.



BE BACK SOON

Our regular Early Literacy programs are taking a break over December and January. Our final session for the year will run on Friday 6 December 2024, and we will return on Monday 10 February 2025.

Experience something new at the library.



COMMUNITY INFO SERVICE

Every Monday from 4 Nov - 16 Dec
Clive James Library, Kogarah
9.30am-11.30am | Free

Kogarah Community Services are bringing their referral and information service to Georges River Libraries. If you need help finding information about local services, staff from KCS will answer your questions and refer you to people who can help.



PRIDE BOOK CLUB

Thursday 21 November
Clive James Library, Kogarah
6pm-7pm | Ages 16+ | Free

Join us for the November Pride Book Club at the library facilitated by queer author Erin Gough. This Pride Book Club will centre on the theme LGBTQI+ Australian authors. Not sure what to read? Check out our [Pride Collection](#) in preparation for the discussion.



SUGGEST A PURCHASE

Did you know that you can suggest items for purchase for any of our library collections?

Simply visit our [website](#) and log into your library account. On the navigation bar, click 'Collections' and at the bottom of the dropdown select 'Suggest a Purchase'. Provide as much information as possible about the item before submitting your request.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Thursday 12 December | Hurstville Library | 11am-1pm | All Ages | Free

Celebrate Christmas with your community and watch a very special concert at Hurstville library. Join the fun and festivities and see some amazing local performers take the stage.

Featuring members of the NSW Railway Band, a choir of local children, a multilingual operatic performance, and an interactive Music Together experience, this concert is a must see!



COLLECTION SPOTLIGHT

What's new in the musical instrument collection?

We now have healing instruments available to borrow. Kalimba tongue drums, lyre harps, and Tibetan singing bowls are easy to play and create peaceful meditative sounds perfect for relaxation and mindfulness activities.

To check out our musical instrument collection simply type 'Musical Instrument Collection' into the search box in the [library catalogue](#).



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[StoryShare: Tabletop Game Design and Publishing with Kim Brebach](#)

Monday 11 November | 6pm-7.30pm | Hurstville Library | Ages 16+ | Free

Join tabletop game designer and publisher Kim Brebach from Good Games Publishing for an inspiring session about his journey in game design. Explore his passion for creating fun and engaging tabletop games and discover how he collaborates with independent designers to develop exciting new games.

[Make a Game with Unity Visual Scripting](#)

Wednesday 20 November | 5.30pm-7.30pm | Hurstville Library | Ages 16+

Bring your device to the Media Lab and learn how to create your own video game in Unity using its Visual Scripting feature. Create game behaviour like movement, collision detection, and keeping score in a game in this hands-on workshop.

[Game On at Georges River Libraries](#)

Saturday 30 November | 10am-2pm | Hurstville Library | All Ages | Free

It's Game On for International Games Month at Georges River Libraries! Join in a range of tabletop gaming activities including minigame mapquest, chess, board games, miniatures painting, a take and make terrain building craft, a take-and-play game to enjoy at home, and learn-to-play Dungeons & Dragons sessions. All ages can join in and get their game on!

HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS

Our libraries have reduced opening hours during the holiday break. Return chutes will remain open during this time. All Libraries will resume regular opening hours from Saturday 4 January 2025.

[Hurstville and Clive James Library, Kogarah:](#)

Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 December: 9am - 5pm

Wednesday 25 and Thursday 26 December: CLOSED

Friday 27 December: 9am - 5pm

Saturday 28 December and Sunday 29 December: 10am - 5pm

Monday 30 December and Tuesday 31 December: 9am - 5pm

Wednesday 1 January 2025: CLOSED

Thursday 2 January and Friday 3 January 2025: 9am - 5pm

[Penshurst, Oatley and South Hurstville Libraries will be closed:](#)

Sunday 22 December 2024 to Friday 3 January 2025



CRAFT WORKSHOPS

[Get Crafty: Collaborative Mural](#)

Mon 11 Nov | Clive James Library

Thurs 14 Nov | Hurstville Library

5.30pm-7.30pm | Ages 16+ | Free

Join us for a mural-making workshop where you can contribute to a collective artwork that celebrates our vibrant, creative community. The mural will be displayed in the Georges River Libraries Community Art Space from November 2024 to January 2025.

[Let's Create Together](#)

Various dates and locations | 4pm-

5pm | 3-12 years and families | Free

Get into the Christmas spirit and contribute to a collaborative artwork that will be displayed in the libraries during the Christmas period, as well as having a chance to make something to take home.

