



Gerringong Public School Term 1 Week 7



Fortnightly Newsletter Term 1 Week 7
2022

14th March



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

As you are aware, parents are now allowed back on site, please do not hesitate if you would like to drop your child to their classroom or pick them up each day. You are welcome.

On Thursday 3 March 2022, we had our first SRC meeting for the year. All students brought with them great ideas from their classmates and suggestions to continually improve our school. Please see the table below about some of the ideas.



Fundraising Ideas	Wishlist	Activities	Canteen Ideas
Raise money for the people in the floods	Cold Water Drinking Fountain	Clubs at Lunch time for people with few friends or feeling down. Space to play with toys, blankets	Dumplings, donuts, slushie machine, sausage sandwich, Mexican theme food
Raise money for Homelessness	Giant Chess Set and markings on ground	Use the Art Studio at lunch time	Free Fruit for Crunch and Sip
"No Animal Testing" awareness day and bring your pet to school show day.	Tennis Court	Hobby Clubs at lunch time Garden Ambassadors Club- grow fruit for Crunch&Sip	No Plastic in Canteen- pineapple rings
Fundraising Day- families come in, have games.	An outdoor Camarada room/space in nature	SRC Suggestion Box in each classroom	
Gift Shop Idea- Get donated items and buy them back to donate money to the poor.	Large nets over back oval fences	More Science lessons	
	Another COLA for top playground	Senior Students help junior students at lunch time on oval as referees	
	Electric Noticeboard for front of school	Sports Shed Clean Up and student roster	
	Seating on Oval/ Grandstand	Mini Olympics Day K-6	
	More Play equipment	All classes do weekly jobs eg clean up main places, recycling, gardening	
		Ride2School Day	

Some key actions from our first meeting, we have worked on already:

- Each SRC rep is making a class SRC Suggestion Box out of a shoe box.

- Senior students to find out when it is World Donut Day! Maybe we can have a one - off donut day in the canteen to raise money for the people in the floods?
- Meg, Rose, May and EJ to work with Mrs Goldthorp and Mrs Ryan on Sports Shed clean up and student roster
- Survey student interest regarding a hobby/club play centre at lunch times.

Next SRC Meeting: Thursday 17 March 2022 at 10.55am-11.35am in the hall. Please bring your class SRC suggestion boxes.

Next P&C Meeting: Monday 21 March 2022 7pm in the Gerringong PS staffroom.

Just another friendly reminder regarding late changes to student pick ups. I request that families be mindful when contemplating calling the school for changing their arrangements, particularly at late notice. Please have a conversation with your child each morning so they know what gate they are being picked up from at 3.00pm. The office staff are still getting several calls every day to interrupt classes.

Creative and Performing Arts Gifted and Talented Program

2022 at Kiama High School every Tuesday from Term 2 at 3.45pm-5.00pm. Students in Year 5 and Year 6 are invited to join primary students in our Kiama Community of Schools area to participate in an opportunity to work with like minded students and staff from the high school. Please see further information below. Applications have been sent through on SchoolBytes last week.



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Creative and Performing Arts Gifted and Talented Program Year 5 & 6 2022

9 March 2022

Kiama High Creative Arts Gifted and Talented program aims to provide extra-curricular opportunities to students who display aptitude in the Creative and Performing Arts. Solidly centred on future-focused teaching and learning, in 2022 we are offering extension opportunities to students in Years 5 and 6 from across our community of schools. Through enrichment and extension, the program aims to develop theatrical and artistic ability to nurture and inspire creative learners.

Activities in Visual Arts such as painting, ceramics, sculpture, drawing, printmaking, photography, graphic design will be covered. Kiama High Creative Arts Gifted and Talented Program will run on Tuesday afternoons (from 3:45 to 5:00pm) from Terms 2 through 4. Expert teachers will conduct workshops to develop a student's artistic and theatrical ability. Students selecting the Visual Arts program will need to pay a \$10 per term cost to the front office to cover materials.

For any enquiries about this program or to receive an application for your student or child, please email the Head Teacher of CAPA and LOTE, Ms Kathleen Stehr at kathleen.stehr1@det.nsw.edu.au

Warm regards



Mrs Catherine Glover

Principal



Ms K Stehr

Head Teacher CAPA and LOTE



Class News

On Wednesday afternoon, 2M and 2C had a fantastic technology lesson in the hall with Mrs Nebe. The students learnt about coding using the Beebots and Codeapillar. The students loved it and we are looking forward to incorporating this technology in the classroom more.



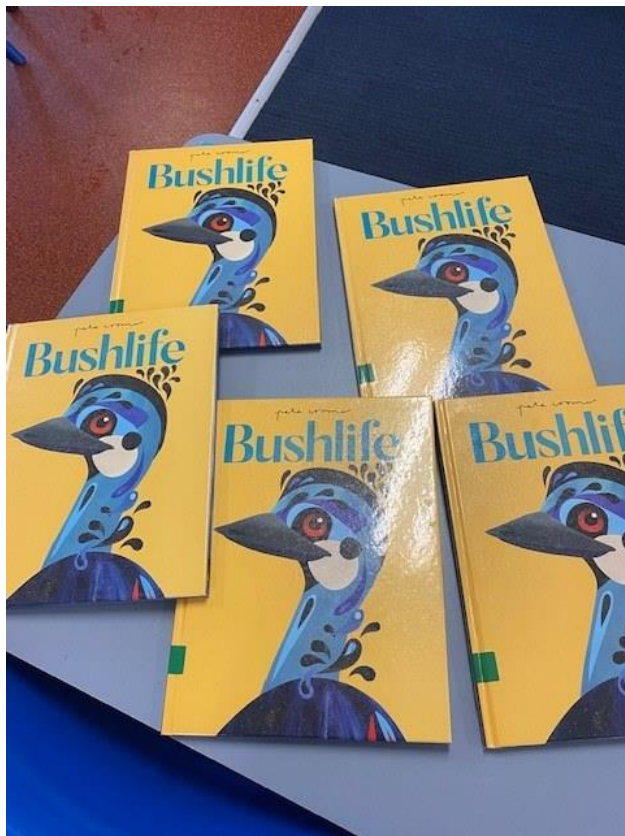






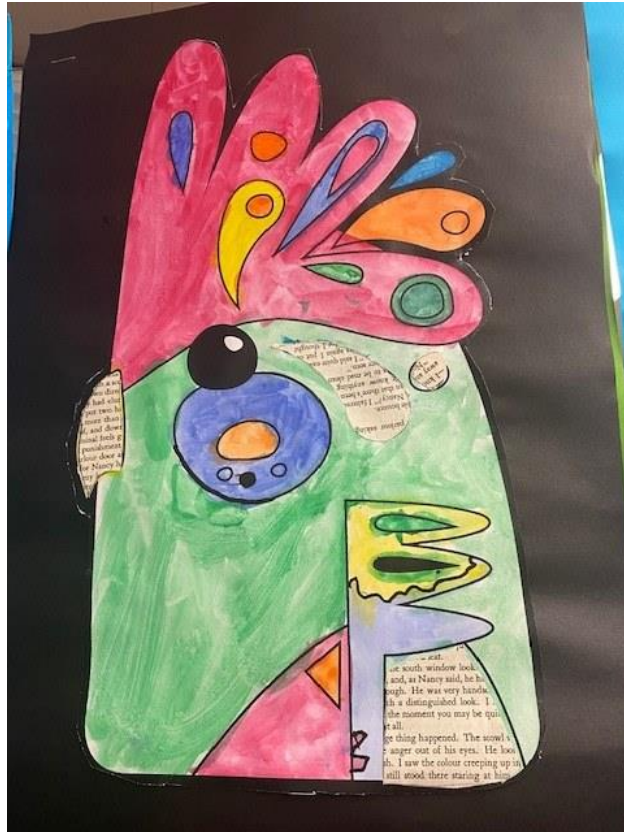


5/6B This week we have been studying the graphic artist Pete Crome and decorating the library with our works of art!!!









4Mc have been inspired by watching a 1-2 minute clip as a stimulus for their narrative writing. They had to come up with a beginning or ending of their story. Edward Y and Eli H explained to me that you use your 5 senses to describe the environment or character. This helps the reader to visualize the story.

Jasmine was writing about a baby dragon on a ship who wouldn't survive without its mother. Jasmine and her friend, Harlow, were trying to help the dragon to get back to its mother. In the meantime the baby dragon went through a green portal! I am looking forward to hearing what happens next in her story.

Congratulations to Roxy C who has her pen licence. She was very busy writing her story. Charlee B read to me with great expression and she told me her learning goal was to work on paragraphs in her writing. I could see she certainly achieved that! Well done Charlee.

Nicole even took her story home the night before and typed it on the computer. She had great ideas and fabulous word choices to describe what was happening. Rose is in the middle of writing her story. Here is a sneak peak:

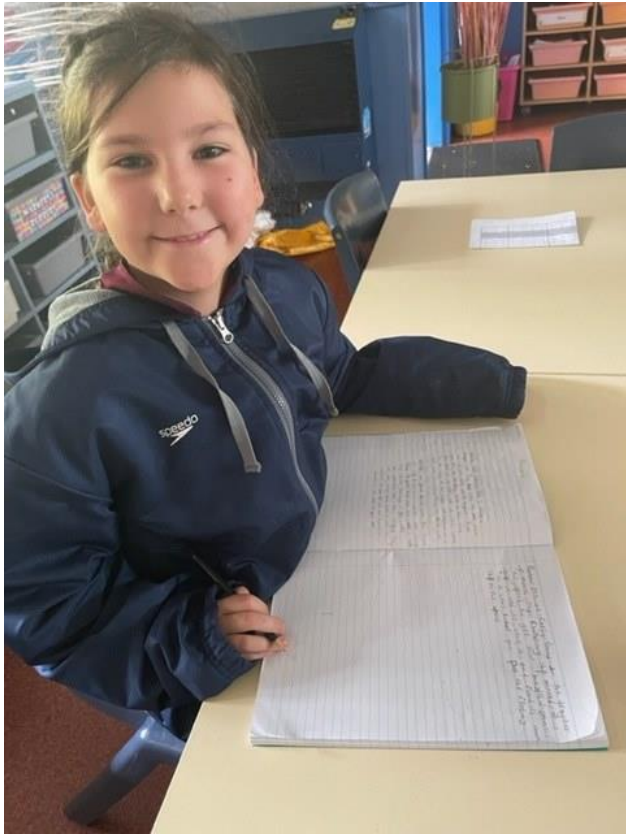
Eye of the Storm by Rose

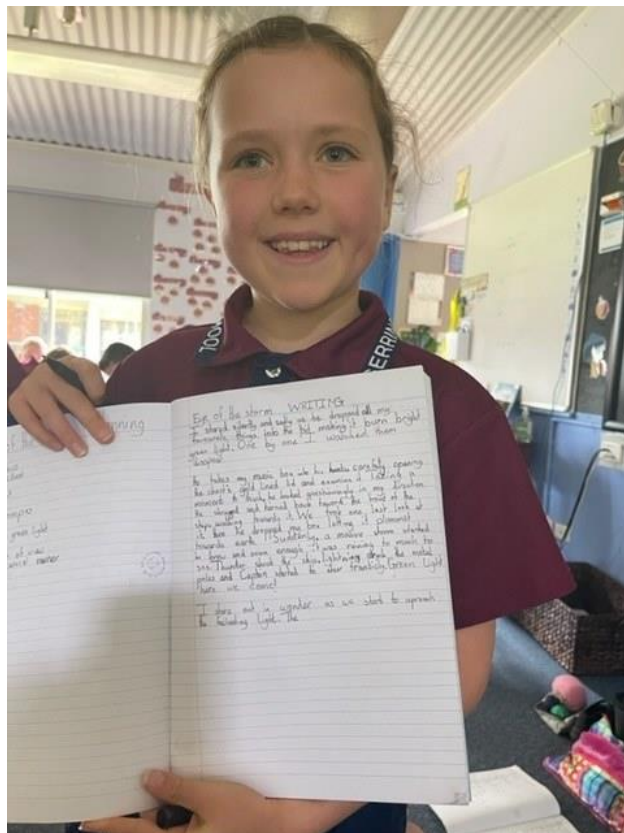
I stared silently and sadly as he dropped all my favourite things into the pit, making it burn bright green light. One by one I watched them disappear.

He takes my music box into his hands, carefully opening the chest's gold lined lid and examines it. Taking a moment to think, he looked questioningly in my direction. He shrugged and turned back towards the front of the ship, walking towards it. We took one last look at it. Then he dropped my box letting it plummet towards earth. Suddenly, a massive storm started to brew and soon enough it was raining too much to see. Thunder shook the ship. Lightning struck the metal poles and Captain started to steer frantically. Green light- here we come!

I stare out in wonder as we start to approach the fascinating light. The.....

I am really looking forward to reading what happens next! Well done Rose.







3S have been learning how to apply their multiplication skills and test their answers. This week, they were given a problem with many possible answers, involving aliens with numerous legs! As we didn't have any multi-legged aliens available, we used counters and pasta to work in pairs to find possible answers to the problem. Well done 3S.







Kindergarten classes enjoyed learning about colours last week in the Art Studio with Mrs Munday. They were able to create secondary colours mixing only red, yellow and blue acrylic paint.











National Ride2School Day

Don't forget Friday 25 March is the National Ride2School day! This is the same day as our Cross Country Carnival. Students must wear their school sports uniform.



Obey the law

Bicycle riders in NSW must obey the road rules. They must stop at red lights or stop signs, give way as indicated by road signs and give hand signals when changing direction. Under the Road Rules on the NSW legislation website¹, a bicycle is considered a vehicle and has the same road rules as other vehicles. There are also special road rules that only apply to bicycle riders.

Helmets

The helmet laws for bicycle riders of all ages in NSW help prevent head injuries and brain damage from falls and crashes. The Road Rules state that a bicycle rider on roads and road-related areas must wear an approved bicycle helmet securely fitted and fastened. This applies to all bicycle riders, including children on bicycles with training wheels and any child being carried as a passenger on a bike or in a bicycle trailer.

Also thank you to parents who are moving through the Kiss'n'Drop quickly and using their indicators to let fellow drivers know of their intentions. Your care and vigilance in this keeps everyone safe. Just a friendly reminder not to leave your vehicles unattended. Thank you.

¹<http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/maintop/view/inforce/subordleg+758+2014+cd+0+N>



Coming Events

- **The South Coast** Regional Swimming Carnival at Dapto Pool TBA
- **NRMA Road Safety** - Week 8 Thursday 24 March
- **Cross Country Carnival** - Week 8 Friday 25 March 2022
- **Ride2School Day**- Week 8 Friday 25 March 2022
- **Selective High Schools Test** Week 9 Thursday 31st March

Kind regards

Mrs Kristie Goldthorp OAMJP



Library News

Premier's Reading Challenge



All our children are reading for this year's Premier's Reading Challenge. This challenge encourages children to read across a wide range of genres. The three challenge levels are K-2, 3-4 and 5-6. Students in K-2 can share their reading with parents and students in 3-6 read independently. Please take time to chat with your child about this challenge and discuss their reading choices. Books that have been read can be recorded online. Information, including how to log on and record reading, can be found at

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

Scholastic Book Club



Children took home the latest book club brochure this week. There are lots of great reads in this term's flier. If you would like to make an order, please use the LOOP system (information at the back of the booklet)

Orders need to be made by 22nd March and they usually arrive at school two weeks later and will be distributed to children. Please let me know if you would like your order to be a surprise gift and you can

collect your book(s) from the office instead. Each order earns points and enables the library to buy new resources. There is never any obligation to place an order.

Grandparents Day



Gerringong Public School's Grandparents' Day is usually in term 1, but due to Covid 19, we have decided to celebrate our grandparents on the last day of term 2. We are crossing fingers that on Thursday 30th June, grandparents will be invited to school to enjoy morning tea, a special assembly and classrooms visits.

Please add this date to your calendar and more information will be given next term.

Margaret Herbert (Teacher Librarian)

OFFICE NEWS

School bytes

Our school is moving to online permission notes provided through a system called School Bytes. We've used this system for a number of years now to email Newsletters, statements of account and payment reminders to parents/carers, and are now expanding its usage.

Moving forward, when an activity requires your permission such as an excursion, you will receive an automatically generated email with a link you can click on to open the secure online permission form. This form will contain information about the activity as well as a section for you to complete and sign (with your mouse or finger). If the activity involves a cost, there will be a 'Make Online Payment' button on the form.

All emails will be sent from noreply@mail.schoolbytes.education so please ensure this is not marked as spam/junk. Should you have any questions about this new process, please contact the school office.

Payments

Online payments are Gerringong Public School's preferred method of payment. Other payment options include: cash, cheque and eftpos (at the front office). Just a reminder that over the phone eftpos payments can no longer be taken and please ensure all cash payments are clearly labelled.

School News

It is with sadness that we need to let you know of the passing of Kathy Humphries, one of our volunteers at Gerringong Public School. Kathy has taught Bahai lessons to a group of students at GPS for a number of years and we greatly appreciate the time and effort she put into guiding the children. We send our deepest condolences to her family and friends. If your child was taught by Kathy and you would like further information, please contact the Spiritual Assembly of the Bahai's of Kiama for funeral arrangements.



GERRINGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL Canteen Menu

Online lunch orders only, please place your children's orders through **flexischools**

SANDWICHES	
Vegetable, Hammy or Ancho	\$2.00
Cheese	\$2.00
Cheese & Tomato	\$2.50
Baked Beans	\$2.50
Spaghetti	\$2.50
Lean Ham	\$2.50
Lean Ham & Cheese	\$3.00
Lean Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$3.50
Lean Ham & salad	\$4.00
Egg, lettuce & mayo (local produced eggs)	\$3.50
Salad	\$3.50
Wrap ADD	\$0.50
Chicken Free ADD	\$1.00

TOASTED add 50 cents

THURSDAY only	
Feb 16 th	Beef or Vegetarian Quesadilla's \$4.00
Feb 17 th	Apricot Chicken and Rice \$4.50
Feb 24 th	2 x Vegemite or Pesto Scrolls \$4.00
March 8 th	Splish and Splash Convolvus \$4.50
March 10 th	Quiche and Veggie Sticks \$4.50
March 17 th	Pesto Gnocchi \$4.50
March 24 th	Beef or Vegetarian Burger \$4.50
March 31 st	Beefed Stir and Salad \$4.50
April 7 th	Chewy Beef or Vegetarian Bananas \$4.50
April 14 th	Hot Cross Buns \$1.00

SALADS	
Seasonal Super Salad	\$3.50
(Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Carrot and Beetroot)	
Seasonal Super Salad and egg	\$4.50
Seasonal Super Salad and lean ham	\$4.50
Seasonal Super Salad and Chicken Strip	\$5.00
Taco Salad Bowl	\$4.50

DRINKS	
Water	\$1.00
Plain Milk	\$1.00
Strawberry Milk	\$2.00
Chocolate Milk	\$2.00
Orange Juice	\$1.50
Apple Juice	\$1.50

HOT FOODS	
Seasonal Soup & Roll (canteen made)	\$3.50
Crumbed chicken strip	\$2.00
Hot Chicken Wrap	\$4.00
Flame Grilled Chicken Burger	\$4.50
Mari'or Cheese	\$4.00
Beef Lasagne	\$4.00
Penne Bolognese	\$4.00
Penne Bolognese GF (canteen made)	\$4.00
Splish & Splash Roll (canteen made) Mon/Fri ONLY	\$3.50
Sausage Roll Mon/Fri ONLY	\$3.50
Traveller Pie Mon/Fri ONLY	\$4.00
Albion Park Pie Mon/Fri ONLY	\$4.00
Chicken Nuggets & 6 Ties ONLY	\$5.50

SNACKS	
Seasonal Fruit	\$1.00
Veggie Sticks	\$1.00
Pilchard	\$0.50
Banana Bread	\$0.50
Crackers, Cheese & Veggie sticks	\$2.00
Papacorn	\$1.00
Sea Salt Red Rock Grill Chips	\$1.50
Mixed Cereal Bag	\$0.50

FROZEN SNACKS	
Small quiche stick	\$0.50
Large quiche stick	\$1.00
Frozen Fruit & Yoghurt (canteen made)	\$1.00
Frozen Milk Strawberry (canteen made)	\$0.50
Frozen Milk Chocolate (canteen made)	\$0.50
Frozen Black current juice (canteen made)	\$0.50
Frozen Orange Juice (canteen made)	\$0.50
Twisted Frozen Watermelon Yoghurt	\$2.50
Twisted Frozen Chocolate Yoghurt	\$2.50
Frozen Black current juice	\$1.00
Frozen Pineapple Pie	\$0.50

K - 2 Assembly Awards Term 1, Week 5			
Congratulations to:			
K6	Evie B - For quick sound recognition and letter writing satpin. Eli D - For great listening for sounds in cvc words. Isabelle R - For a fantastic vocabulary and asking deep questions. Levi W - For embracing our school values - respect, responsibility and resilience.	1S	Emmi A - For an amazing recount about her weekend. Lenni K - For decoding tricky words and always trying her best. Curtis B - For Fluent and expressive reading in the Engine Room. Stanley B - For a wonderful weekend recount on his visit to the zoo.
KL	Hazel C - For showing amazing mathematical thinking! Rae EC - For settling in well in KL! Ella G - For being a role model in KL and displaying our core values! Raxy P - For always trying her best and being a responsible learner.	1/2MD	Tyson P - For being a considerate class member who participates and listens well. Poppy G - For being a supportive friend. Harry C - For working hard in Literacy. Lenny B - For being a supportive friend.
KT	Jordy C - For making positive friendships in the classroom. Louis C - For applying wonderful effort to craft activities. Vivian H - For always displaying exemplary school values. Evelyn Y - For always applying 100% effort to all activities.	2C	Archie R - For big improvement in reading. Indy M - For trying her best in Maths. Indie P - For working hard and caring for others. Ryan C - For staying focused and following instructions.
1K	Leni B - For creating a wonderful sunflower picture. Patrick C - For always contributing to class discussions. Naiah C - For decoding tricky words in Reading Activities. Madison H - For consistently working hard in class activities.	2M	James M - For always trying his best and persisting in writing. Reggie M - For persisting in Mathematics. Cruz P - For being a respectful and responsible class member. Ava M - For a fantastic, detailed plan for her imaginative writing. Levi S - For applying feedback in writing and being a good friend. Hallie D - For a wonderful and detailed roadmap plan in writing.

P and C News

Massive Easter Raffle

Thank you to all of the families who have generously donated Easter eggs which will go towards prizes for our Massive Easter Raffle. There is still time to drop your eggs to the front office. All donations will be gratefully received.

A book of 10 raffle tickets will be sent home this week with the oldest child from each family. The tickets can be sold for \$2 each with all money and/or unsold tickets to be returned to the front office by the 1st April. For any families that sell all of their tickets, more can be picked up from the front office.

Our Massive Easter Raffle will be drawn during week 10 of school.

Next P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 21st March at 7pm in the staffroom. We would love to see lots of new faces around the table. Meetings are a fantastic way to have input into decisions that are made at school. We would love to see you there!



Community News



Disclaimer: Gerringong Public School advertises in this column as a service to parents. Gerringong Public School does not endorse or accept responsibility for the management or organisation of the advertised events or services. Please note: The community deadline is 12 noon on Friday. Items received after this time will not be published until the following week.



AusKick – Come and join the fun!

Calling on all 5 – 7 year old's to join the fun with our AusKick program

- Super fun game-based activities
- Kids build fundamental motor skills
- Learn to play as part of a team
- AusKick Junior Membership gives kids access to AFL matches and a cool footy goodies pack



Kids get the opportunity to play at half-time of AFL & AFLW matches at the SCG!

Keep an eye out on our FB page for a Come'n'Try session coming soon!





***BALLET (RAD)
JAZZ/CONTEMPORARY
*TAP
*TUMBLING/ACRO
*HIP HOP
*PERFORMANCE GROUPS
*BALLET EXAMS
*PRESCHOOL PROGRAMME**



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Disabled Surfers South Coast Presents

Gerroa 'Smiles on Dials Day'

Sunday 27th March 2022

Meet at Emery Park, just off Riverleigh Ave and Park Rd, Gerroa



Check-in no later than 9.00am -

To assist us with numbers If you could register through Eventbrite, www.eventbrite.com.au

Gerroa - DSA South Coast - Disabled Surfers Association Tickets, Sun 27/03/2022 at 9:00 am | Eventbrite

Group-care facility participants limit of 6 per facility.

A fun day surfing experience for any person with a disability, no matter how challenging, with complete water supervision.

Registration for Participants is Free as it is with volunteers.

Thanks to the local participating surf shops and businesses some gifts are provided.

NSW Health Covid restrictions apply

Please do not attend if	Please
You are feeling unwell.	Follow Social distancing where possible
Are awaiting a Covid Test	Use hand sanitizer (available on site)
Have recently received a positive covid test	Use a mask when out of the water and in groups (optional)
Have been a close contact to a positive test	Masks are not required due to this being an outdoors event, but appreciated for the safety of all

Or for more information and who to contact view

disabledsurfers.org/nsw/south-coast-branch or www.disabledsurfers.org

See you there putting "Smiles on dials"

'Cancer Council's Healthy Lunch Box website is your one-stop shop for everything you need to know about packing a healthy lunch box. For recipes, information and health tips please visit <https://healthylunchbox.com.au>²

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Nutrition Snippet

WHAT IS THE HEALTHY LUNCH BOX?



A one-stop-shop for everything you need to know about packing a healthy lunch box.

Here's what you'll find on the website:

- Interactive lunch box builder that helps parents and kids plan and pack a healthy lunch with foods they like.
- Lots of quick and easy recipes and snack ideas.
- Informative blogs about healthy eating for the family.
- Sign up to receive the Healthy Lunch Box e-newsletter for ideas, updates and recipes.

healthylunchbox.com.au



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Healthy Lunch Box

Contact Us



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