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Holiday activities for young people

Outdoor poetry classes, coding and skateboarding sessions are just some of the activities on offer these school holidays.

During each school holiday period, Council aims to provide a variety of accessible, free or low-cost entertainment for young people.

This July, activities will kick off at Narellan Library, where younger residents aged eight to 14 can learn how to develop a Claymation masterpiece in a creative **Stop Motion Workshop**.

The workshop and will see kids create characters, backdrops and stories before learning how to film, direct and edit their own Stop Motion short films.

The workshop costs \$10 per person and will be held **10am-4.30pm**, **Wednesday 11 July at Narellan Library**, and participants are asked to bring a USB so they can take their creations home.

For kids looking to get outdoors and be active, the next **Skateboarding Clinic** will be held at **Kirkham Skate Park 10am-12pm**, **Saturday 14 July**.

The free monthly event includes mentoring by a professional skateboard coach, as well as the use of helmets, skateboards and other protective equipment.

Teens can learn how to play **Magic the Gathering** card game, and meet other fans from across the Local Government Area.

Recommended for residents aged 13 to 25 years, the workshop will give young people a chance to practice summoning monsters and casting spells with their own deck, or have a pre-made deck and instructions provided.

This free event is scheduled for **5pm-7.45pm**, **Tuesday 17 July at Camden Library**. Young people 12-18 years can use a 3D printer and learn how to design and print models at a **tech workshop**.



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The cost is \$10 and participants can produce their own creation and take it with them. The workshop will be held **10am-2pm**, **Wednesday 18 July at Oran Park Library**. Camden's budding poets can attend a free poetry writing workshop, and get top writing tips from local expert Elliot Cameron.

Mr Cameron is a spoken word artist and has previously hosted Slam Poetry nights for young people in his hometown of Fairfield.

The free **Poetry on the Grass** event is best suited for young people 13-25 years, **10am-12pm**, **Saturday 21 July at Oran Park Library**.

Learn about coding and join in the world record attempt for the most children coding on a single day to commemorate the Apollo 11 moon landing with people all over the globe.

Libraries all over the world will be taking part in **Moon Hack 2018** and young people can join in at **Narellan Library** at times across the day: **Code with Java Script** at **10am-12pm** (13-18 years), **Learn to Code** at **10am-12pm** (9-14 years) and **Tech Time!** Play with Lego Robotics, Arduinos and Makey Makeys at **2pm-4pm** for all ages (Under 13 need to be accompanied by an adult).

Bookings to the school holiday activities are essential and can be made via the library website: www.library.camden.nsw.gov.au.

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