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Experiment with science these school holidays

Children aged 5-12 years are invited to experience some laugh-out-loud and wow moments, conducting exciting chemistry, biology and physics experiments as part of Council's school holiday programs.

The performance, *3 Experiments that Changed the World*, will be held on Tuesday 16 April, 2pm, at Narellan Library and will cost \$7 per child.

Greg Howard, who works for School Performance Tours and produces the activity, said the totally engaging, hands-on presentation will be a mix of education and comedy.

"It will be an afternoon of running around, surprising experiments, learning new things and setting expectations only to have totally different things happen," Mr Howard said.

"The Biology experiment will see kids transformed into giant birds and set survival tasks and, by doing so, demonstrate natural selection. For Physics, we'll explore Newton's laws of motion with a balloon rocket race.

"We'll also discuss hypotheses, theories and scientific laws and give the children fun and safe 'try-at-home' experiments.

"You learn throughout your entire life – I'm 65 and I'm still learning! So why not make it fun?"

There is lots more happening throughout the school holidays at Council's three libraries, including:

- Recording Studio Induction, on Saturday 13 April, 10am-2pm, at Narellan Library (free);
- Bar and Brushes on Monday 15 April, 1-4pm, at Camden Library. Young people will be treated to pizza, create art and learn about drugs and alcohol (free);
- Writing short stories with writer, Luke Carman, on Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 April, 10am-4pm, at Narellan Library (free);
- Games Day, for students of any age to connect with fellow gamers, on Thursday 18 April, 11am-4pm, at Oran Park Library (free);
- Pinch Pot Pottery on Wednesday 17 April, 2-3.30pm, at Oran Park Library for children aged 6-12 years (\$10); and
- Wild Animal Homes on Wednesday 24 April, 2pm, at Camden Library. Children aged 5-10 years will have the opportunity to dress up and play (\$5).

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Mayor of Camden, Cr Peter Sidgreaves, said children would be stimulated and entertained by these activities.

“It’s so important we don’t let our children’s education, imagination and inspiration slide when they’re not at school and we encourage them to keep developing,” Cr Sidgreaves said.

“Our extensive school holiday program will make sure kids are staying engaged and creative while having fun and socialising with their peers.

“Our libraries will also run their regular Babies into Books and Storytime programs throughout the school holidays, for babies from birth to two years and children aged 2-5 years respectively.”

For more information on Council's school holiday program, to register for any activities or to find days and times for Babies into Books and Storytime, visit library.camden.nsw.gov.au, or call your local library on:

- Camden – 4654 7951;
- Narellan – 4645 5039; or
- Oran Park – 4645 5645.

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