

CGS CARE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

CGS Care is the out-of-school hours care programme at Canberra Grammar School. Managed by the School, CGS Care incorporates all before-school, after-school and holiday care programmes at the School's Campbell and Red Hill campuses from Pre-School to Year 6. Children beyond the CGS community are welcome to participate in each of the holiday programmes offered by the School.

Working in partnership with families, CGS Care educators engage children actively in learning by providing a combination of indoor and outdoor activities each day. Our children are viewed as being active participants within the care programme, with their input into decisions sought. It is our children's capacity to initiate and lead learning, and knowledge of their strengths and interests, that inform the breadth of learning opportunities on offer.

Through the CGS Care programme, our children strengthen their personal and social capabilities: their independence, initiative, confidence, resilience and adaptability flourish. The programme is a very social one and yet those children needing personal space and quiet opportunities for individual play are equally catered for.

What Should My Child Bring?

- Snack
- Packed lunch
- Broad Brimmed Hat; and
- Drink bottle

Optional items to bring:

- Bicycle or scooter; and
- Helmet.

Where to drop off and pick up?

Kindergarten - Year 6

All children from Kindergarten – Year 6 will be combined between 7:30am – 8:30am in the International Centre Foyer and at 8:30am we will separate into individual programmes.

In the afternoon, all children from Kindergarten – Year 6 will combine in the International Centre Foyer from 5:30pm.

For drop off and pick up between 8:30am - 5:30pm, please drop off/collect your child from their programme location.

Early Learning Centre

ELC will operate from 7:30am – 6:00pm from the ELC.

Northside

Northside will operate from 7:30am – 6:00pm from the Northside Gallery

Please view the map on the next page to see the location of our programmes.



RED HILL PRE-SCHOOL & PRE-KINDERGARTEN (ELC) SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – October 2026

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 28 Sept – 2 Oct	28 September Mini Kids in the kitchen Children will enjoy making delicious cupcakes, following simple steps, mixing ingredients and decorating own creations	29 September Springtime arts and crafts ELC children will celebrate spring by creating • Colourful Artworks • Butterflies ring with pipe cleaners and more • Suncatcher	30 September In-House Movie - The Pout Pout Fish ELC will have the opportunity to enjoy an in-house movie experience, watching <i>The Pout Pout fish</i> (G) in a relaxed and comfortable setting. This experience provides opportunities for children to develop social connections and engage in conversations about the story, characters and themes.	1 October Crazy Hair Day ELC children will enjoy having their hair braided in colourful extensions and adding colourful hair spray to create a bright playful hairstyle	2 October Play School Live in concert 10:30am – 1:00pm ELC and Northside will join Humpty and his favourite Play School friends for a joyful live concert filled with singing, dancing magic and plenty of fun! Children will enjoy seeing beloved characters like Big Ted, Little Ted, Jemima, Kiya and Fergus as they help Humpty get his Big show ready! Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket
Week 2 6 – 9 October		6 October Tram Wash at CMET 10:30am – 12:00pm ELC will enjoy an exciting visit to CMET to explore the tram wash and discover how trams are cleaned and cared for. This hands-on experience will encourage curiosity, observation and learning about how public transport works. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	7 October Paddys Park Strathnairn 10:00am – 2:30pm • BBQ Lunch ELC, K–Yr1, Northside and Yr2–Yr6 children will enjoy an exciting excursion together to Paddys Park Strathnairn. Children will have opportunities to challenge themselves through climbing, balancing, sliding and exploring the playground while developing their confidence, coordination and physical skills. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	8 October Eric Carle Books and Crafts Children will explore some of Eric Carle's much-loved stories and get creative with fun, hands-on craft activities inspired by his colourful characters. • Tissue Paper Black Cat • Creating the very quiet Cricket • The Bad-Tempered Ladybird	9 October Messy Play Children will enjoy a fun-filled day of sensory exploration, colourful activities and hands-on messy play • Spray painting • Muddy Kitchen • Oobleck Play • Shaving cream and food colour Please bring extra clothes and towel

CAMPBELL (NORTHSIDE) SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – October 2026

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 28 Sept – 2 Oct	28 September Garden Adventures Spend the day connecting with nature through creativity and exploration. Children will discover the wonders of plants, create their own unique flower pot fairy gardens, become little bakers as they make delicious fairy cookies, and enjoy refreshing fairy lemonade.	29 September Mini Golf 10:00am – 12:30pm Get ready for a mini golf adventure at Mini Golf Federation Square Gold Creek! Children will play mini golf, try different holes, and enjoy a fun day out with friends. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	30 September Hoyts – The Last Whale Singer 12:00pm – 3:30pm ELC, NS, K–Yr1 and Yr2–Yr6 children will have the opportunity to visit Hoyts Belconnen to watch The Last Whale Singer. This excursion provides opportunities for children to develop their social skills, practise positive cinema etiquette, and engage in shared conversations about the story, characters, and themes. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	1 October Game Masters It's game time! Children will participate in a variety of interactive games and team activities, including Kahoot quizzes, Wii challenges, and group competitions. <i>Please bring cardboard boxes to help us design, build, and play our own DIY arcade games throughout the day!</i>	2 October Play School Live in concert 10:30am – 1:00pm ELC & Northside will join Humpty and his favourite Play School friends for a joyful live concert filled with singing, dancing magic and plenty of fun! Children will enjoy seeing beloved characters like Big Ted, Little Ted, Jemima, Kiya and Fergus as they help Humpty get his Big show ready! Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket
Week 2 6 – 9 October		6 October Colours of Spring Get ready for a colourful spring! Children will enjoy exciting active games, explore hands-on spring-inspired crafts, and have fun making and decorating their own rainbow cupcakes.	7 October Paddys Park Strathnairn 10:00am – 2:30pm BBQ Lunch ELC, K–Yr1, Northside and Yr2–Yr6 children will enjoy an exciting excursion together to Paddys Park Strathnairn. Children will have opportunities to challenge themselves through climbing, balancing, sliding and exploring the playground while developing their confidence, coordination and physical skills. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	8 October Bug Incursion 2:00pm – 3:00pm Children will participate in the Bugs Alive incursion exploring a variety of insects through interactive and hands on experiences. The session will encourage curiosity, shared discussion, and thoughtful engagement while supporting children's confidence and understanding of living things.	9 October Wildbark Learning Centre at Mulligans Flat 11:30am – 2:00pm The children will enjoy Tales & Trails, a nature walk with stories, songs, and craft activities that explore habitats and conservation. After the trail, they'll play in the Nature Playground and enjoy babyccinos and a picnic lunch. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket

RED HILL KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 1 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – October 2026

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 28 Sept – 2 Oct	28 September National Zoo & Aquarium 10:00am – 2:30pm K–Yr1 and Yr2–Yr6 children will enjoy an exciting excursion to the National Zoo & Aquarium. They will also enjoy outdoor play at the playground, where they can build friendships, strengthen their physical skills, and engage in imaginative and cooperative play. A picnic lunch together will provide further opportunities for children to connect with their peers. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	29 September Sports Spectacular - Mini Olympics - Design Your Own Team Flag & Medal Ceremony	30 September Hoyts – The Last Whale Singer 12:00pm – 3:30pm ELC, NS, K–Yr1 and Yr2–Yr6 children will have the opportunity to visit Hoyts Belconnen to watch The Last Whale Singer. This excursion provides opportunities for children to develop their social skills, practise positive cinema etiquette, and engage in shared conversations about the story, characters, and themes. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	1 October Messy Art Festival - Shaving Foam Marbling - Sponge Painting - Clay & Mud Kitchen Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	2 October Pirate Treasure Hunt - Cannonball Target Practice - Decode the Secret Pirate Message - Giant Treasure Hunt
	Week 2 6 – 9 October	6 October Captain Cook Park Playground & Gelatissimo 10:30am – 1:00pm K–Yr1 children will enjoy a walk to Captain Cook Park Playground in Manuka, where they will have opportunities to challenge themselves through a variety of play equipment while developing their confidence, coordination and social skills. On the way back, children will visit Gelatissimo for a special treat before walking back to school together. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	7 October Paddys Park Strathnairn 10:00am – 2:30pm BBQ Lunch ELC, K–Yr1, Northside and Yr2–Yr6 children will enjoy an exciting excursion together to Paddys Park Strathnairn. Children will have opportunities to challenge themselves through climbing, balancing, sliding and exploring the playground while developing their confidence, coordination and physical skills. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	8 October Lego Store Canberra 10:00am – 1:00pm K–Yr1 children will enjoy an exciting visit to the LEGO Store in Civic, where each child will have the opportunity to create and take home their own minifigure. Children will also have time to explore the in-store LEGO creations, engage in collaborative play, and share ideas with their peers. - LEGO Movie - Team Building Challenge Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	9 October Holiday Celebration - Balloon Games - Glow in Dark Dance Party - Bubble Party

RED HILL YEAR 2 TO YEAR 6 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME – October 2026

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 28 Sept – 2 Oct	28 September National Zoo & Aquarium 10:00am – 2:30pm K–Yr1 and Yr2–Yr6 children will enjoy an exciting excursion to the National Zoo & Aquarium, learning about a range of different animals. They will enjoy a sandwich picnic for lunch and a play at the zoo park. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	29 September Weston Indoor Sport Centre 12:00pm – 3:00pm Children will visit Weston Indoor Sports Centre for a high-energy day of active play, team spirit and fun. Across three exciting sports sessions, children will rotate between Nerf Battles, soccer, and dodgeball, developing coordination, teamwork and confidence in a safe, indoor environment. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt	30 September Hoyts – The Last Whale Singer 12:00pm – 3:30pm ELC, NS, K–Yr1 and Yr2–Yr6 children will have the opportunity to visit Hoyts Belconnen to watch The Last Whale Singer. This excursion provides opportunities for children to develop their social skills, practise positive cinema etiquette, and engage in shared conversations about the story, characters, and themes. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	1 October One Piece Day Due to children's interest, Yr2–Yr6 will set sail on a pirate adventure inspired by One Piece! Throughout the day, children will work in pirate crews to complete exciting challenges and create their own pirate identities. Activities will include: - Pirate crew creation - Treasure hunt adventure - Design your own Jolly Roger (pirate flag) - One Piece-inspired craft - Pirate obstacle course	2 October Art Studio Challenge Children will step into an art studio and become artists, designers and creators for the day. Activities will include: - Mystery Art Challenge - Collaborative mural 3D sculpture creation - Blindfold drawing challenge - Mini art gallery exhibition
Week 2 6 – 9 October		6 October MythBusters Day Children will become MythBusters for the day as they investigate whether popular myths and science claims are fact or fiction. Throughout the day, children will take part in exciting hands-on challenges including: - Egg Drop Challenge - Paper Plane Myth - Floating & Sinking Investigation - Domino Effect Challenge - Balloon-Powered Car Challenge - Mystery Science Challenges	7 October Paddys Park Strathnairn 10:00am – 2:30pm BBQ Lunch ELC, K–Yr1, Northside and Yr2–Yr6 children will enjoy an exciting excursion together to Paddys Park Strathnairn. Children will have opportunities to challenge themselves through climbing, balancing, sliding and exploring the playground while developing their confidence, coordination and physical skills. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	8 October McDonalds and Captain Cook Playground 11:30am – 2:00pm Children will explore the local community as we embark on a walk to the local shops. Children will enjoy lunch from McDonalds and have the opportunity to play at the local park on the way back to school. Please come to Holiday Programme wearing your CGS PE Polo Shirt, Jumper or Jacket	9 October Board Games Day Children will unplug and connect through a day of classic and modern board games. Activities will include: - Board game tournament - Giant outdoor board games - Design your own board game - Cooperative game challenges Children are encouraged to bring their favourite games from home to play with their friends.