

EXPAND SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES – October 2026

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 28 Sept – 2 Oct	28 September - Quizzic Alley and Journal making workshop <i>Excursion</i> - Kids in the Kitchen – Chocolate - Jewellery making	29 September - Canberra Trampoline Gymnastics <i>Excursion</i> - Tie Dye - Cupcakes	30 September - Metaphysica <i>Excursion</i> - Kids in the Kitchen – sweets - Sewing	1 October - Floriade and Painting workshop <i>Excursion</i> - Mosaics - Dance workshop	2 October - Splash Lab <i>Excursion</i> - Lego Robotics - Come along and create with Plaster of Paris
Week 2 6 – 9 October		6 October - Tree Tops <i>Excursion</i> - Dinosaurs and much more - Chess	7 October - Latorta <i>Excursion</i> - Wool craft - Make your own Terrarium	8 October - Black Wattle Alpaca Farm <i>Excursion</i> - Kids in the Kitchen – Japanese - Create with Polymer clay	9 October - Ninja Parc <i>Excursion</i> - Wire Creations - Kids in the Kitchen – Pizza

CGS CARE EXPAND

The CGS Care Expand programme offers specialised experiences and excursions across a variety of learning areas. These programmes provide children with the opportunity to foster and enhance skill sets and interests that align with their cultural, creative, physical, and technological intelligence.

All activities commence at 9:00am, however, children may be dropped off between 7:30am to 8:15am at the International Centre Foyer, from 8:15am-9:00am please drop the children off at PS 137. From here, the children will be escorted by CGS Care educators to the area where their activity will commence.

At the completion of each day's activity, the children will be provided with a light afternoon tea on the terrace at the Southside building, this occurs at 3:00pm. Children can be collected from this location until 3:30pm. Educators then separate children into their respective programmes for the remainder of the afternoon in the International Centre.

Use the Xplor Home App to make a booking or email your request to

[**cgscare@cgs.act.edu.au**](mailto:cgscare@cgs.act.edu.au)

Childcare subsidy is claimable for all bookings of primary children.

For further information, please contact CGS Care on +61 (2) 6260 9656

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BLACK WATTLE ALPACA FARM

Excursion

Let's get out and enjoy the fresh spring air as we embark on an adventure out to Black Wattle Alpaca Farm at Murrumbateman. The children will take part in a guided tour of the farm, while having the opportunity to meet and feed the various animals. There will be opportunities to get photos. When the tour has concluded the children will head indoors to take part in a craft activity and enjoy a sausage sizzle for lunch.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 9

DATE: Thursday 8 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

CANBERRA TRAMPOLINE GYMNASTICS

Excursion

Canberra Trampoline Gymnastics provides children with an exciting and healthy way to stay active while developing important physical and mental skills. By taking part in Trampoline gymnastics children improve their balance, coordination, flexibility, strength, and overall fitness in a safe and supportive environment. Trampoline gymnastics also helps build confidence, discipline, focus, and teamwork as children learn new routines and participate in group activities. The program encourages children to set goals at the beginning of the session about skills or moves they would like to achieve during the session, overcome challenges, and develop resilience while having fun. With qualified coaches and engaging classes, Canberra Trampoline Gymnastics offers a positive space where children can grow socially, physically, and emotionally through sport and movement.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 9

DATE: Tuesday 29 September 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

CHESS

Incursion

Come along and learn how to play chess with the Sydney Academy of Chess. This programme is suitable for children of all abilities. Children will participate in demonstrative lessons and then apply their knowledge in a variety of chess competitions and activities.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Tuesday 6 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

COME ALONG AND CREATE WITH PLASTER OF PARIS

Get ready for a fun and creative Plaster of Paris workshop. Children will have the opportunity to get creative in a hands-on experience where they can mould, shape and decorate their own unique designs. It's a hands-on activity designed to encourage creativity, imagination and plenty of school holiday fun. Each child will take home a range of unique keepsakes. If you have any ideas or suggestions of what you would like to make, please bring them along.

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 9

DATE: Friday 2 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

CREATE WITH POLYMER CLAY

Creating with polymer clay is a fun and versatile craft that allows children of all ages to design and make their own unique creations. This process involves shaping colourful clay into various shapes and designs, which can be moulded, textured and combined in endless ways before being hardened in an oven. Creating polymer creations encourages creativity and fine motor skills as the budding designers experiment with patterns, colours and shapes. You will be able to create personalised jewellery, keychains, figures just to name a few

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Thursday 8 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

CUPCAKES

Come along for a busy day of creating Cupcakes. You will be able to choose between chocolate or vanilla cupcakes. We will provide you with a range of sprinkles and icing where your imagination will be able to run free as your ideas and designs come to life. Please bring along any decorating ideas you have, and we will endeavour to recreate them.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Tuesday 29 September 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

DANCE WORKSHOP

Calling all dance enthusiasts to join in a dance workshop. The children will have the opportunity to participate in an exciting dance workshop where they can move, create and express themselves through music and movement. This session will encourage children to build confidence, explore creativity, develop physical skills and collaborate with peers in a fun and inclusive environment.

All children are encouraged to bring along their favourite music artists, movements, ideas and props.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Thursday 1 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

DINOSAURS AND MUCH MORE

Come along and embark on an exciting Dinosaurs and much more deep dive adventure. You will explore the fascinating World of Dinosaurs through hands-on activities, creative experiences and imaginative play. Children will have the opportunity to discover, ask questions, share ideas and develop curiosity while learning about Dinosaurs and the world around them.

Please bring along any questions you like to explore and find answers to, as well as any facts you would like to share with your peers.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Tuesday 6 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

FLORIADE AND PAINTING WORKSHOP

Excursion

All are invited to join us for an exciting excursion to Floriade, where you will have the opportunity to explore the array of vibrant colours, beautiful flowers and the range of creative garden bed designs throughout the festival. Children can enjoy a birds-eye view of the gardens from the Ferris Wheel before taking a leisurely walk through the garden beds, observing the intricate details, patterns and colours and variety of plants and flowers. We will finish the day off with a picnic lunch followed by a creative art workshop, where children can choose between painting, sketching or drawing inspired by the Floriade experience.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 9

DATE: Thursday 1 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

JEWELLERY MAKING

Calling all budding Jewellery makers; Here is your chance to come along to design and create your own unique pieces of Jewellery to take home or give as a gift. You will get the opportunity to explore a variety of techniques while also varied materials.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Monday 28 September 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

Kids in the kitchen offers hands on cooking experience for children. Our young master chefs will improve their skills in the kitchen while preparing their own meals in an encouraging atmosphere. Come along to mix, measure, and have fun in the kitchen.

Please feel free to bring along any favourite family recipes that we could use in future sessions.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Monday 28 September 2026 – Chocolate

Wednesday 30 September 2026 – Sweets

Thursday 8 October 2026 – Japanese

Friday 9 October 2026 – Pizza

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

LATORTA

Excursion

Do you love cakes? Come along and learn how to decorate your very own cake with Latorta. Latorta will be running the workshop at their location in Fyshwick, in the purpose-built kitchen. The children will learn all the tricks of trade with regards to cake decorating.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 20

DATE: Wednesday 7 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

LEGO ROBOTICS

Lego robotics is a hands-on lesson in design and programming. In this programme, the children will learn how to control the mechanical robots using iPad technology. Children can create tracks and compete in exciting challenges. The instructor will help the children learn both the engineering skills and programming abilities involved in using the robots. This programme will provide great preparation and exposure for programming robotics in the future years.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Friday 2 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

MAKE YOUR OWN TERRARIUM

Make your own terrarium workshop is a fun and creative way for children to learn about plants and nature. During this workshop the children will be able to personalise a glass vessel in which their Terrarium will be created. They will be able to use a range of resources; small aquarium rocks, soil and small Terrarium plants, moss and miniature figurines, to personalise their Terrarium

This hands-on activity helps children understand how plants grow and teaches them responsibility as they care for their terrarium by giving it sunlight and water. Making a terrarium also encourages imagination, patience, and an appreciation for the environment.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Wednesday 7 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

METAPHYSICA

Excursion

Be part of an exciting excursion to Metaphysica, where you will be immersed in the world of Virtual Reality. You will have the opportunity to take part in a range of virtual escape rooms and adventures to mystical and amazing worlds. The best part is you can even challenge your peers or go alone.

AGE GROUP: Suitable for children in Year 2 - Year 6

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 16

DATE: Wednesday 30 September 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

MOSIACS

Come along and decorate a pot, mirror or coaster to take home.

Mosaic art is a great way to relax, exercise your problem-solving skills, while also learning a new art form. Mosaic is a form of art where a surface is covered by small pieces of stone and tiles. When these pieces are carefully placed in a particular formation, they can form intricate designs

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Thursday 1 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

NINJA PARC

Excursion

Come along for a day of fun and adventure as we visit one of Canberra's active locations - Ninja Parc Fyshwick. You will get the opportunity, with the supervision of industry trained Ninja coaches, to run wild through all the obstacles including the famous warped wall and pole maze.

Key Benefits and features

- Children get to have fun while meeting crucial physical activity requirements
- Children get exposure to a variety of movement-based activities, like jumping, climbing, rolling, and running
- Children will improve their balance, coordination, and problem-solving abilities
- Children will build their teamwork and communications skills through team and partner-based games

AGE GROUP: Suitable for children in Year 2 - Year 6

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 9

DATE: Friday 9 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

QUIZZIC ALLEY AND JOURNAL MAKING WORKSHOP

Excursion

You are invited to join us for a magical journey to Quizzic Alley, where you will step into a Harry Potter inspired world and create your very own magical wand. This hands-on experience will encourage imagination, creativity and problem-solving skills in a unique learning environment.

On return to school the children will continue their magical adventure by creating a fantastical journey, using a range of art and craft materials. They will be able to explore through writing, drawing and creative storytelling to capture their own take on today's magical experience.

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 9

DATE: Monday 28 September 2026

SESSION: 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST: \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket, as well as comfortable shoes for walking.

SEWING

Come and join us for a fun and creative sewing workshop, where all levels of skills are welcomed – whether you are picking up a needle and thread for the very first time or already have sewing experience. The children will have the opportunity to learn and practise new skills at their own pace, explore different fabric and materials and create a unique item.

This sewing workshop provides an opportunity to build confidence, develop fine motor skills, share ideas and skills while expressing individual creativity.

You are welcome to bring along a project you would like help with or inspiration for a new project.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Wednesday 30 September 2026

SESSION: 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST: \$150 per day

SPLASH LAB

Excursion

Join us at Splash Lab, Canberra's premier splatter paint studio. You will be invited to dive into a world of colour, movement and creative fun. You will be immersed, hands-on, to experiment with paint in a playful and expressive ways- splattering, dripping and swirling to create your own abstract artwork.

Don't worry about mess as you will be wearing a pair of coveralls and safety goggles throughout the session

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 12

DATE: Friday 2 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

TIE DYE

There are endless patterns you can create with tie-dying. Tie dying is not limited to just t-shirts, it could be a hat, a handkerchief, a bag, or a pillowcase. The opportunities are endless! This one-day program will allow children the opportunity to create their very own one of kind artwork

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Tuesday 29 September 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

TREE TOPS

Excursion

The children will have the opportunity to explore through the range of colour-coded rope courses, which cater for all abilities from low, easy levels up to the heat-racing high challenges. This experience facilitates the opportunity to encourage one another through difficult situations while building up meaning connections with peers.

Before the session begins the children will be given a safety briefing on safe harnessing techniques and training on how to safely navigate the courses. Gloves will be provided.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 9

DATE: Tuesday 6 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Blue CGS PE Polo shirt, Jumper or Jacket.

Note: For safety reasons, participants are required to wear secure, enclosed footwear, such as sneakers, to take part in this activity. Clothing should be suitable for all weather conditions and must not have hoods, loose or dangling parts that could become caught in the cables. Long hair must be securely tied back and jewellery and watches removed before participating, as these items may become caught in the cables.

WIRE CREATIONS

Come along to our Wire Creations workshop, where you will be able to use wire, to create a range of items. Feel free to bring along inspiration for your designs. We will provide a range of different wire as well as beads, crystal chips, feathers and string (just to name a few). You are welcome to bring along ideas and inspiration.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Friday 9 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day

WOOL CRAFT

Welcome to the world of wool craft. In this hands-on workshop children will have the opportunity to explore a variety of traditional and contemporary wool-craft techniques, including finger knitting, knitting with needles and pom-pom making. Whether you are new to wool-craft or already have some experience, there will be opportunities to learn, create and develop new skills at your own pace. By taking part in this experience the children will build confidence, develop fine-motor skills, and explore individual creativity. You are welcome to bring along any resources that you would like use, as well any knitting or wool items you would like help with.

AGE GROUP: All ages

MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS: 11

DATE: Wednesday 7 October 2026

SESSION 9:00am to 3:00pm

COST \$150 per day