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## The kids will have a ball at Vacation Care

The Huon Valley Council Children's Services **VACATION CARE** Program from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> of October has planned a whole world for kids aged 5 to 13 years old.

There's an excursion to Village Cinemas followed by lunch in the park and another to Inflatable World where they can bounce away their extra energy. There's a day of team sports planned with an opportunity to make their own lunch afterwards.

Then there're all the things they can make during the craft days. They'll be creating hats, garden lanterns, troll rocks and paper weights, their own ice cream or clay sculptures, sand art pieces or wind chimes.

Huon Valley Council Commissioner Adriana Taylor says while the wide range of activities should keep even the most discerning child happy, there are other reasons for promoting this type of program.

"The **VACATION CARE** Program is packed full of activities centered around creativity which has such a positive development on a child's development.

"Creativity helps teach cognitive skills such as mathematics and scientific thinking. It has been shown to improve communication skills, problem solving, making interpretations, and using symbols which help with future literacy skills," Commissioner Taylor said.

Bookings are essential and families must enrol with the program before booking. Morning and afternoon tea is provided except on the excursions. There are daily costs involved. For more information visit the Huon Valley Children's Services facebook page or phone **6264 0333**.



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