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It's all about creative play and fun at Vacation Care this summer

The Huon Valley Council Children's Services **VACATION CARE** Program from the 7 January to 5 February has planned a whole world for kids aged 5 to 12 years old.

There is excursions to Village Cinemas followed by lunch in a park, Hastings Pool, Huonville Pool, Dover Beach and Woody's Skate and Play where the kids can skate and scoot away their extra energy. There's a PJ day planned with an opportunity to make their own pizza lunches.

Then there are things they can make during the craft days. They'll be creating paper flowers, trinket boxes, string art, clay ornaments, mosaics or cookies.

There are also science and woodwork classes facilitated by Gowrie Education and Care Consultant Scott Gibson.

Huon Valley Council Mayor Bec Enders says "while the wide range of activities should keep your child happy and busy, there are other reasons for promoting this type of program.

"The **VACTION CARE** Program is packed full of activities centered around creativity which has such a positive impact 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," Mayor Enders said.

Bookings are essential and families must enroll 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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