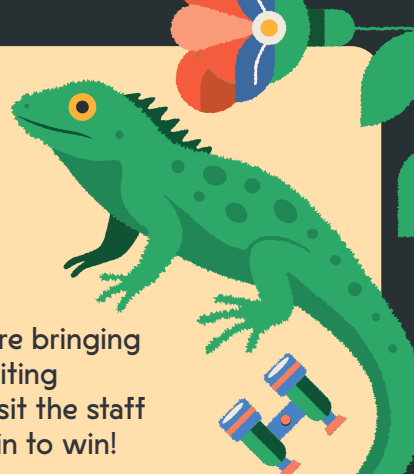


Animals of Aotearoa

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Sat 26 Sep–Sun 11 Oct
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Can you find the tuatara and the tūi? We're bringing back Hawke's Bay Regional Council's exciting search for Aotearoa's native treasures. Visit the staff at the desk to get an entry form and be in to win!

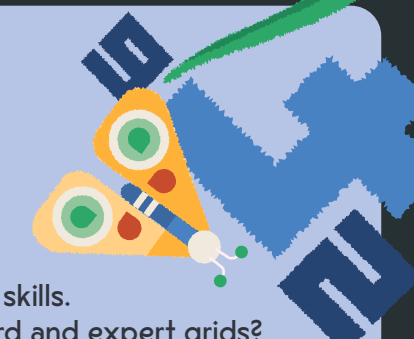


Giant Sudoku

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Challenge your brain, sharpen your logic skills. Can you complete the easy, medium, hard and expert grids?



Vaiaso o te 'Gana Tuvalu

Tuvalu Language Week Makerspace

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Sun 27 Sep–Sat 03 Oct
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Macawa ni Vosa vakaViti

Fijian Language Week Makerspace

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Sun 4 Oct–Sat 10 Oct
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Talofa koutou! Ni sa bula vinaka kece sara! Join us as we celebrate Pasifika Language Weeks with fun, hands on crafts.



Make Your Own Minecraft Torch

FOR
8+
YEARS

Monday 28 Sep
10.30am–12pm
Hastings Library

Wednesday 30 Sep
10.30am–12pm
Flaxmere Library

Meet us at the crafting table and use the power of conduction to make your own Minecraft-inspired torch!

Limited places—first in, first served.



Mario Kart IRL

FOR
8–12
YEARS

Tuesday 29 Sep
6.30pm–8pm
Hastings Library

Customise your own kart and then compete on the race track – will it be Moo Moo Meadows, Thwomp Ruins or Rainbow Road? Let's calculate who will come out at #1!

Registration required.



Tinker Time

SUITABLE FOR
5+
AGES

Tuesday 29 Sep
10am–12pm
Hastings Library

Thursday 08 Oct
1pm–3pm
Havelock North Library

Experiment with Makey Makeys, code a robot, build the tallest tower and tinker with other tech in this drop in session made for curious minds.



Bubble Wands

SUITABLE FOR
ALL
AGES

Wednesday 30 Sep
1.30pm–2.30pm
Havelock North Library

Tuesday 06 Oct
10am–11am
Flaxmere Library

Create your own bubble wands and test different recipes to discover which bubbles work best.



Wicked Escape Room

SUITABLE FOR
11+
AGES

Thursday 01 Oct
9am–5.15pm
Havelock North Library

Friday 02 Oct
9am–12.45pm
Havelock North Library

Can you uncover the truth before the time runs out? Immerse yourself in this Oz-inspired escape room. Perfect for a group of four friends, or anyone that enjoys a puzzle.

Registration required.



How to Be an Illustrator

with Story Hemi-Morehouse

SUITABLE FOR
6+
AGES

Friday 02 Oct
1pm–2.30pm
Flaxmere Library

Saturday 03 Oct
10.30am–12pm
Hastings Library

Love drawing, cartoons, graphic novels, or anime? Join the illustrator behind *Kua Whetūrangitia a Koro: How my Koro became a star*, *Mokopuna Matatini: The Greatest Haka Festival on Earth* and more for a whānau friendly, hands on drawing session.

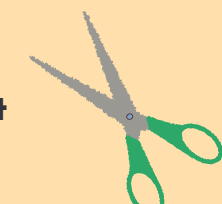


Box City

SUITABLE FOR
ALL
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Thursday 08 Oct
9.30am–11.30am
Hastings Library

Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No, it's a city just waiting to be built – by you! Come along to add your architectural skills to our collaborative build.



Loopy Tunes: Bilingual Interactive Music Session

SUITABLE FOR
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YEARS

Saturday 17 Oct
10.30am–11am
Havelock North Library

Haere mai! Join Leah and Siu, the Loopy Tunes duo, for a lively morning of waiata, music, and movement. A fun filled bilingual session where tamariki can sing, learn and get their kanikani on.

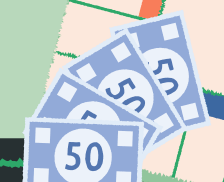


Family Friendly Board Games with the Geeks Guild

SUITABLE FOR
ALL
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Saturday 10 Oct
10.30am–3.30pm
Hastings Library

Keen for new games? Drop in to try out awesome picks from a massive collection. New to board games? Geeks Guild volunteers are ready to help you learn and play! And if you love it, they're here every second Saturday.



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Teen Take & Make:

Marble Run Challenge Kit

FOR
13-18
YEARS

Sat 26 Sep–Sun 11 Oct
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Think you can build the ultimate marble run? Put your creativity and problem solving skills to the test with this fun engineering challenge. Pick up a resource kit from any of our libraries.

Book Bedazzling

FOR
13-18
YEARS

Thursday 01 Oct
1pm–3pm
Hastings Library

"Never deface a book," they said – which is exactly why we're bedazzling one instead! Come along, bring a book, chill out and leave with a bookshelf-worthy design.

Registration required.

Coding Competition

FOR
13-18
YEARS

Monday 05 Oct
1pm–3pm
Hastings Library

Code your way through the competition in 90 minutes. Design, build, and polish your coding creation. Enter solo or as a pair – beginners and experienced coders welcome. BYO device or use the Chromebook provided. Prizes to be won.

Registration required.

The Social Deduction Society:

Under the Moonlight

FOR
13-18
YEARS

Wednesday 07 Oct
3.30pm–8pm
Hastings Library

Our fortnightly get-together is going after-hours! When the doors close the mysteries deepen. Join us for pizza and put your powers of deduction, deception, and detective work to the test.

Registration required.

KARAWHIUA WITH KĒMU!



AKE AKE AKE
A FOREVER LANGUAGE
KIA KAHĀ TE REO MĀORI

EVENTS

Ka tākaro tātou! Join one of our kēmu board games sessions at the libraries and complete a challenge or two for Karawhiua.

Wednesday 02 Sep
3pm–5pm

Te Pātaka Kōrero o Karanema
Havelock North Library

Thursday 10 Sep
5pm–6.45pm

Te Pātaka Kōrero o Heretaunga
Hastings Library

Monday 14 Sep
10am–12pm

Friday 18 Sep
3pm–5pm

Te Pātaka Kōrero o Pāharakeke
Flaxmere Library



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Te Pātaka Kōrero o Heretaunga
Hastings Library
Warren Street East, Hastings



Te Pātaka Kōrero o Pāharakeke
Flaxmere Library
Swansea Road, Flaxmere



Te Pātaka Kōrero o Karanema
Havelock North Library
Te Mata Road, Havelock North



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