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WELCOME TO EASTER 2023

A NOTE FROM MRS LARDEEDAH

The Easter holidays are one of my favourite times of the year: a chance to catch our breath after starting the school year, celebrations with bunnies and chocolate, and beautiful weather to boot. These school holidays the Gold Coast is certainly the place to be!

In this edition of my holiday guide you'll find no less than 45 FREE or low cost activities to keep you occupied!! From meeting the Easter bunny, joining in an egg hunt or discovering some post-Easter school holiday activities, you'll find it all here.

If that's not enough, don't forget to jump over to my website, www.mrslardeedah.com and browse through over 150 family friendly reviews!

Thanks to our sponsors for once again supporting this guide. It takes a lot of work to put this all together, and your support is greatly appreciated.

Have fun this Easter, Lara



5 FAMILY FRIENDLY EASTER MOVIES TO WATCH THESE HOLIDAYS

1 - Rise of the Guardians (Netflix, Stan, Binge)

This family-friendly superhero flick features a cast of familiar little kid heroes—including Santa Claus, the tooth fairy, the Easter Bunny and the Sandman—who come together to fight a villain who intends to extinguish the joyful spirit of childhood. Chock full of action and adventure, this film is nothing short of exciting.

2 - Hop (Binge, Foxtel Now)

Easter Bunny (aka E.B.) has always dreamed of moving to California and making a name for himself in music. Unfortunately for him, his dad won't let him out of the family's candy business that easily. Will he stick to what he knows or pack his Easter basket and take a chance? Russell Brand voices the fluffy character while James Marsden, Elizabeth Perkins and Kaley Cuoco all make an appearance (as humans).

3 - Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit (2005) (Binge, Foxtel Now)

If you're a fan of the popular top-motion British cartoon, then you'll love this Academy Award-winning feature. In the flick, the beloved inventor Wallace and his dog Gromit attempt to save their town from a bunny invasion. But things get hare-y when they realise these are no ordinary rabbits.

4 - Peter Rabbit (Netflix, Seven+)

Part live-action, part CGI movie, Peter Rabbit is based on the 1902 novel by Beatrix Potter, The Tale of Peter Rabbit. While James Corden voices the titular character, the movie also features on-screen appearances from Rose Byrne, Margot Robbie and Sia. We promise it's fun for the whole fam.

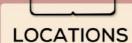
5- Ice Age: The Great Egg-scapade (Disney)

This follow up flick is a sweet take on how the popular egg-hunt tradition came to be (brought to you by our favorite Ice Age characters, of course). In The Great Egg-Scapade, Sid gets himself into some trouble when he agrees to become an egg nanny and discovers keeping track of the egg is harder than he expected.

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mum to 2 girls and a massive foodie! So you will never hear me say you need to cut out chocolate! And as a mum, I know the stress & overwhelm of trying to feed your family and look after yourself.

Supporting families to make simple swaps that are actually manageable and build lifelong healthy habits is one of the best parts of my job. So if you need more energy or are struggling with a fussy eater, I'm here to help.



MEET THE EASTER BUNNY!



EASTER AT SANCTUARY COVE

Sanctuary Cove is set to host an epic Easter celebration this year with an egg-citing line-up of entertainment for the whole family. Visitors will get a chance to meet and greet the Easter Bunny, participate in an Epic Easter Hunt, and compete for the chance to win \$500 in Sanctuary Cove gift cards.

For kids, there's an exciting scavenger hunt, where they can put their skills to the test and follow clues hidden throughout Sanctuary Cove to win one of five indulgent chocolate hampers. The prizes for the Easter Hunt will be drawn by the SEAM FM Roadshow team at 1.30 pm. Keep the family entertained with face painters, balloon twisters, and live performances as you indulge in your chocolate treats.

DATE: Thursday 6 April TIME: From 11am

LOCATION: Sanctuary Cove Marina

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



ROBINA COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT

Brought to you by Gold Coast Property Sales & Rentals at Robina, get ready for an egg-cellent time, because their Annual Easter Egg Hunt is back and better than ever!! Bring your picnic rugs and appetite for a delicious sausage sizzle, coffee and ice cream, while enjoying the petting zoo, face painting, live DJ, games, and of course, the famous Easter egg hunt!! The Easter Bunny will also be there for you to snap some unforgettable photos with your family and friends.

DATE: Sunday 2 April TIME: 8-11am

LOCATION: Cheltenham Park, Robina COST: Free. Gold coin donation appreciated.

Bookings essential by 31 March.

MORE INFO



EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA AT FRASCOTT PARK

Come along to the Easter EGGstravaganza for free kids' activities, art and crafts, an animal petting zoo, carnival rides, a jumping castle, delicious food, live entertainment and a visit from the Easter Bunny himself! Don't miss out on the MASSIVE easter egg hunt, with over 17,000 eggs to find! There will also be an Easter bonnet competition where all the best dressed pooches will be seen in their fanciest Easter headwear. Be sure to bring your rug and secure your spot on the grass to watch a Peter Rabbit 2 screening at 6.45 pm. This is all brought to you by Councillor Hermann Vorster for Division 11, AIR Care and AIR Church.

DATE: Sunday 2 April TIME: From 2.30pm

LOCATION: Frascott Park, Varsity Lakes

COST: Free.

Bookings essential.

MEET THE EASTER BUNNY!



MEET THE EASTER BUNNY AT ISLE OF CAPRI

The Easter Bunny will be hopping into Capri on Via Roma with Easter eggs for all the children! The Easter Bunny will be available for a meet and greet, and children can take photos with him for free. The excitement doesn't stop there, join in on the fun with our centre wide Easter Bunny Hunt from 1st April to 16th April. Spot all five Easter bunny toys hidden at our retailers and complete the entry form online to WIN an Easter Hamper valued at \$50!

DATE: Wednesday 5 April

TIME: 11am-2pm

LOCATION: Capri on Via Roma, Isle of Capri

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



PHOTOS WITH THE EASTER BUNNY AT PIMPAMA

Pimpama City Shopping Centre will welcome the Easter Bunny back again this April! Bring your cameras and snap your free kids/family photos, and every child will also get a chocolate egg, plus free face painting and pop corn will be on offer. Don't miss out on seeing the Easter Wonderland Train display up and running outside of Coles.

DATE: Sat 1, Sun 2, Weds 5, Thurs 6, Sat 8 April

TIME: 10am - 2pm

LOCATION: Pimpama City Shopping Centre, outside Coles

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



SWEET AS EASTER AT PARADISE CENTRE

Paradise Centre will be serving up all things sweet to celebrate the Easter school holidays.

- Catch the rollerskating bunnies scooting through the centre from 11am-2pm daily handing out free Easter bunny biscuits
- Special DJ performances 11am-3pm on 1-2 April and 8-9 April (bonus set on Good Friday)
- Hip and Hop, the breakdancing bunnies, will be bouncing their way around from 11am-2pm from 3-5 April
- From 6-9 April, release your inner bunny with free face painting in the beachfront dining precinct from 11am-2pm
- Don't miss the chance to get your photo taken with loveable mascots, Beau the Budgie and Chip the Seagull, as they wander through their home in Paradise from 10-16 April
- Plus, roving acrobat duos will be bending and weaving their way through the crowds from 11-15 April!

DATE: Saturday 1 April - Sunday 16 April

TIME: 11am-2pm

LOCATION: Paradise Centre, Surfers Paradise

COST: Free.

MEET THE EASTER BUNNY!



HOP INTO EASTER AT THE OASIS

Hop into the Oasis this Easter to begin your Easter celebrations with a special meet and greet with their adorable Easter bunny. Grab a photo with the gorgeous bunny and if you're lucky you might receive some eggs or giveaways.

DATE: 5, 6 & 8 April TIME: 11am-2pm

LOCATION: The Oasis, Broadbeach

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



EASTER BUNNIES GALORE!

Tweed Heads Homemaker Centre is your home for Egg-cellent Easter fun! Join the fun and get your FREE professional photo with the Easter Bunny before 'hopping' over or some real-life Bunny Cuddles with the cutest rabbits ever at the Bunny Rabbit petting zoo! There'll also be a fun craft zone to get the kids ready for Easter Egg Collecting while you grab a bite to eat from the Twisted Fig Cafe.

DATE: Sat 1 & Sun 2 April TIME: 10am - 2pm

LOCATION: Tweed Heads Homemaker Centre

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



EASTER AT HARRIGAN'S

Get ready for Easter school holidays at Harrigan's Calypso Bay! From a Jumping Castle, Reptile Show, to a Easter Egg Hunt, you're guaranteed school holiday fun! There will be a jumping castle on site from 3 - 16 April (11am-5pm) for all to enjoy.

Wednesday 5 April: Reptile Show - 1-2pm Sunday 9 April: Fairy floss and snowcones - 12-5pm Easter Egg Hunt plus special Easter Bunny appearance - 2-3pm

LOCATION: Harrigan's Calypso Bay, Jacobs Well COST: Free.

MORE INFO



EASTER BUNNY VISIT AT STRAND COOLANGATTA

Come and meet the Easter Bunny as he hops his way around the centre, spreading joy and Easter cheer to all. Bring your kids along for a free photo opportunity with the Easter Bunny and enjoy the Easter-themed decorations throughout The Strand.

DATE: Thursday 6, Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 April

TIME: 11am - 2pm

LOCATION: Strand Coolangatta

COST: Free.

EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZAS



HOP ON TO HOPO!

Hop on the Gold Coast ferry service over the Easter weekend for a self-guided Easter Egg hunt. Enjoy FREE easter eggs and a FREE downloadable DIY Easter Basket to carry all that yummy chocolate goodness! Decorate your basket at home and hop to the Hopo Information Kiosk near the Surfers Paradise Ferry Wharf, on the ferries, and at the Sea World Cruises Terminal at Sea World stop to claim your free eggs. Kids under five travel FREE! Apply coupon code 'EASTER' at check out to receive 15% off Hopo Day Passes (valid up to and including 10 April)

DATE: Friday 7 - Monday 10 April

TIME: all day

LOCATION: HOPO terminals, Gold Coast waterways

MORE INFO



EASTER ON THE ESPLANADE

Hop on down to Surfers Paradise for an Easter EGGstravaganza on the Esplanade, at the Surfers Paradise Beachfront Markets. You'll find the Easter bunny bouncing around to the beats on Friday 7th and Saturday 8th. Enjoy Artisan handmade goodies, live entertainment, kids entertainment and sweets and treats for all!

DATE: Friday 7, Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 April

TIME: 4pm-9pm

LOCATION: The Foreshore, Surfers Paradise

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



ASHMORE EASTER EGG HUNT

Bring the kids for a free Easter Egg hunt! This free community event is sponsored by Suzanne & Luke Clarkson, Team Clarkson-Stewart Estate Agents. There will be free coffee and hot cross buns for the adults, while the kids collect chocolate eggs. This event is for children aged 12 and under.

DATE: Saturday 1 April

TIME: Registration from 10am with the Easter Egg hunt starting at

10:30am sharp.

LOCATION: Sun Valley Park, Ashmore

COST: Free. All kids must be registered and have a wrist band to join.

MORE INFO



MUDGEERABA EASTER EGG HUNT

Join in the fun with an Easter Egg Hunt in Ingles Park, Mudgeeraba thanks to Charl Louw Remax! There will be a golden egg with a \$50 voucher, lucky dip prizes and the Easter Bunny!

DATE: Saturday 8 April

TIME: 8.30am register, 9am start LOCATION: Ingles Park, Mudgeeraba COST: Free. Bookings essential.

EASTER EGG-STRAVAGANZAS



BUNNINGS EASTER BUNNY HOP

Hop into your local Bunnings Warehouse on the 30th of March for the Bunnings Easter Bunny Hop! A FREE family event with Kids D.I.Y., entertainment and visits from the Easter Bunny too! Entertainment varies depending on location and includes Petting Zoo ~ Easter Craft ~ Face Painting ~ Fairy Floss & Popcorn ~ Sausage Sizzle ~ Games

Pimpama: 6:00PM - 8:00PM Arundel: 5:00PM - 7:00PM

Burleigh Waters: 5:00PM - 7:00PM Mermaid Waters: 5:00PM - 7:00PM

Nerang: 5:00PM - 7:00PM Oxenford: 5:00PM - 7:00PM Robina: 5:00PM - 7:00PM Southport: 6:00PM - 8:00PM

DATE: Thursday 30 March

LOCATION: Bunnings Gold Coast stores

COST: Free MORE INFO



EASTER WEEKEND AT HOMECO COOMERA

Join in the Easter Celebrations at HomeCo. Coomera City Centre! There are two days of different activities to keep the kids busy. Plus there are 100 kids Easter colouring in tote bags to giveaway.

Saturday 1st April

- Roaming Easter Bunny and chocolate eggs!
- Face Painting
- Roving Puppet Show
- Fairy Floss

Sunday 2nd April

- Roaming Easter Bunny and chocolate eggs!
- Glitter Tattoos
- Balloon Twisting
- Roaming Hula Hoop Artist

DATE: Saturday 1 & Sunday 2 April

TIME: 10am-1pm

 ${\sf LOCATION: HomeCo.\ Coomera\ City\ Centre}$

COST: Free

EASTER DINING FUN



EASTER AT THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL

Book a table at the Commercial Hotel Nerang this Easter for lots of kids fun. There is Easter biscuit decorating on Monday 3 April, or Easter Basket making on Tuesday 4 April. Every kids meal purchased also gets a ticket into the Easter raffle, and there is a kids colouring in competition too!

DATE: Monday 3 April & Tuesday 4 April

TIME: 5.30-7pm

LOCATION: The Commercial Hotel, Nerang

COST: Activities are free.

MORE INFO



MERMAID BEACH TAVERN EASTER HOLIDAY FUN

Drop in to the Mermaid Beach Tavern for lunch these school holidays and let the kids be entertained with some fun-packed activities!

Saturday 8th April - FREE Kids Easter Party: Easter Bunny visit & Face

Painting from 12pm!

Tuesday 11th April - Magic Show

Wednesday 12th April - Circus Workshop Thursday 13th April - Reptile Show

TIME: 12pm daily

LOCATION: Mermaid Beach Tavern, Mermaid Beach

COST: All activities are \$5 per child and bookings are required.

MORE INFO



EASTER AT SHEARER'S ARMS

Hop in and join a fun-filled family day on Easter Sunday. The Easter bunny will be making his grand appearance at 1pm to say a big hello to the kiddies. It's not Easter without chocolate which is why the Easter Bunny will be giving out FREE EGGS to all children. Kids can also enter the annual Easter colouring-in competition with 3 delicious prizes to be won. Three age groups will be judged with one winner picked from each age group. The competition closes Monday 10th April and winners will be announced Thursday.

DATE: Sunday 9 April

LOCATION: Shearer's Arms Tavern, Ormeau

COST: Free.

Bookings are required.

EASTER DINING FUN



HOP INTO SOUTHPORT SHARKS

Hop into Sharks this Easter for a great line-up of activities and entertainment for the whole family! Book in for Easter Sunday where entertainment includes Face Painting between 4-7pm, a Kids Easter Show presented by LOL Crew between 5-7pm, and an Easter Bunny visit!

DATE: Sunday 9 April TIME: from 4pm

LOCATION: Southport Sharks, Southport
COST: Activities are free. Bookings essential.

MORE INFO



EASTER AT THE BOARDWALK TAVERN

Hop in and join a fun-filled family day on Easter Sunday. The Easter bunny will be making his grand appearance at 1pm, handing out eggs and saying a big hello to the kiddies. Kids can also enter the annual Easter colouring-in competition with 3 delicious prizes to be won. Three age groups will be judged with one winner picked from each age group. The competition closes Monday 10th April and winners will be announced Thursday.

DATE: Sunday 9 April

LOCATION: Boardwalk Tavern, Hope Island

COST: Free.

Bookings are required.

MORE INFO



EASTER AT CLUB HELENSVALE

Each year their Kids Raffle night gets bigger and better! This year there is over \$2000 in prizes and extra special kids entertainment!

5pm to 7pm - FREE face-painting

6pm FREE - Magic Show

6:45pm - Visit from the Easter Bunny

DATE: Tuesday 4 April

TIME: 5-7pm

LOCATION: Club Helensvale, Helensvale

COST: Activities are free. Bookings are required.

MORE INFO



EASTER AT ROBINA PAVILION

Head in to the Robina Pavilion on Easter Sunday for a family friendly Easter egg hunt and live tunes lakeside! If you can't make it Sunday, don't worry - there will be free chocolate Easter eggs with every purchase on Easter Monday too!

DATE: Sunday 9 April TIME: Egg hunt at 1pm

LOCATION: Robina Pavilion, Robina

COST: Free.

Bookings are required.



BUNNY TRAIL TREASURE HUNT

This Easter, you're invited to hop on in to Westfield Helensvale to join our Bunny Trail Treasure Hunt! Use your map to locate the Easter booths located throughout the centre, get your map stamped at each station and collect your chocolate eggs. Then, join the Easter Bunny in the playground for a meet and greet and take a selfie!

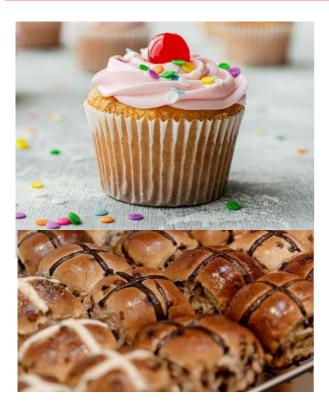
DATE: Thursday 6 April

TIME: 3-6pm

LOCATION: Westfield Helensvale Playground

COST: Free. Must be a Westfield Plus member (free program)

MORE INFO



FOODIE HEAVEN AT OASIS BROADBEACH

Decorate your own hot cross bun

Come and have some chocolate fun at Bakers Delight! Join in this Easter at Bakers Delight and decorate your own hot cross bun for FREE!

DATE: 1, 3 and 4 April TIME: 10am - 2pm

LOCATION: Ground floor, Bakers Delight, The Oasis Broadbeach

COST: Free.

Decorate your Easter cupcakes

Don't miss out on the Madisons Café Easter cupcake decorating! Each child will receive a cupcake, fun things to decorate it with and a small milkshake to enjoy with their cupcake on completion.

DATE: 5 & 6 April TIME: 2pm

LOCATION: Madison's Café & Patisserie, The Oasis Broadbeach

COST: \$15 per child. Bookings essential Ph: 07 5592 6933

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BENOWA VILLAGE

FREE Easter fun at Benowa Village with their Easter Basket Craft

Workshop!

DATE: Thursday 6 April TIME: 10am - 1pm

Then don't miss out on meeting their Easter Bunny and joining the

Easter Egg treasure hunt! DATE: Saturday 8 April TIME: 10am - 1pm

LOCATION: outside Coles, Benowa Village Shopping Centre

COST: Free.

No bookings required.



TWEED MALL EASTER EGG HUNT

This Easter, bring your children to Tweed Mall where they will make and decorate their very own bunny mask at this FREE workshop. Then collect a hunting bag and head off with Alice to hunt for some Easter Eggs – but don't forget to look out for the Easter Bunny along the way, he may have some treats to give away! Once children complete their hunt, return to the workshop station for a final Easter gift.

DATE: Thursday 6th April 2023, 3-6pm; Saturday 8th April 2023.

10am - 1pm

LOCATION: Centre Court near Target, Tweed Mall

COST: Free. Bookings essential

MORE INFO



THE CHOCOLATE BAKERY

Make something delicious these school holidays! Book your FREE spot at the Australia Fair Chocolate Bakery daily cooking workshops & you'll get to whip up some easy and yummy chocolaty treats!

WEEK 1: Monday 3 April - Thursday 6 April + Saturday 8 April -

Chocolate Easter Cupcakes

WEEK 2: Monday 10 April - Friday 14 April - Chocolate Scrolls

TIME: Daily, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 & 12:30

LOCATION: Outside Coles, Australia Fair Shopping Centre

COST: Free.

Bookings essential, suitable for ages 5-12yrs MORE INFO



ROLLER BUNNIES

Head on down to Pimpama Junction Shopping Centre and meet the Roller Bunnies!! The Easter Bunny's helpers will be rolling in to snap photos with you and hand out sweet treats!

DATE: Saturday 1 April TIME: 10am-2pm

LOCATION: Pimpama Junction Shopping Centre

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



EGG HUNT AT THE PINES ELANORA

Join the Easter Bunny for a special Easter Egg hunt! Grab a clue sheet to find key locations in the centre, each location will have a basket for children to take an egg from. Return your plastic eggs to the Easter Bunny and get your Easter surprise to take home! This hunt is for Pines Kids Club members only (free to join!).

DATE: Saturday 8 April TIME: 9am & 9.30am

LOCATION: The Pines Elanora Shopping Centre

COST: Free.

Bookings essential.



HARBOUR TOWN SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Harbour Town has got an egg-ceptional Easter line up of FREE family-friendly entertainment including kids' face painting, free magic shows and visits from the Easter Bunny!

Face Painting: 11am - 3pm, April 3, 4, 5 & 6 Magic Show: 11am & 1pm, April 8 & 9 Easter Bunny visit: 11am - 3pm, April 8 & 9

LOCATION: Harbour Town Premium Outlets

COST: Free.

MORE INFO



IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE

This school holidays, visit our Space Station pop-up to enjoy a range of intergalactic workshops and interactive pods! From April 3 - 16, your little astronauts can attend crafty, cosmic workshops in the Space Station including creating Jet Packs and Alien Headbands and educational demonstrations from Street Science with bottle rocket making.

While you're there, stop by the It's Not Rocket Science exhibit by ENESS, and be beguiled by the universe. Meet billion-year-old baby moonrocks; stand under awe-inspiring rockets – some up to 6 metres tall; step inside a space observatory to marvel at twinkling constellations; and peer into kaleidoscopic space probes to unearth the stories they've collected. Through-out the journey you will learn fascinating facts and marvel at beautiful sculptures – a mentally stimulating and visually inspiring day for all the family.

DATE: Workshops run from April 3 - 16. Space exhibit is on display 23

March - 16 April.

TIME: 9am, 9:45am, 10:30am & 11:15am

LOCATION: Outside Myer, Robina Town Centre

COST: Workshops are \$5-\$10. Bookings are required. MORE INFO



COMEDY CIRCUS STUNT SHOW

Witness hilarious comedy, incredible stunts and tricks that are out of this world, performed by international stunt-man, Joel Fenton. Throughout this family friendly live show, you'll have front row seats to mind-blowing contortions, impressive juggling and ludicrous comedy tricks. Watch him perform crazy stunts like squeezing his entire body through a toilet seat and climbing inside a giant 8 foot balloon! Joel performs impressively unique daredevil circus stunts mixed with hilarious improvisational comedy that leaves audiences amazed and astounded - it's the perfect show to entertain both adults and kids of all ages!

DATE: 10 - 21 April TIME: 11am & 1pm

LOCATION: Outside Coles, Tweed City Shopping Centre

COST: Free.

Bookings are not required, suitable for the whole family.



BUILD-A-BEAR WORKSHOPS

Join in the FURbulous fun at Westfield Helensvale with their school holiday Build-A-Bear workshops! Receive your pre-stuffed furry friend, birth certificate, and enjoy fun games and activities like colouring-in during the sessions! Build-A-Bear workshops run for approximately 1 hour.

DATE: Monday 10, Wednesday 12 and Saturday 15 April

TIME: 10:00am, 11:30am, 1:30pm

LOCATION: The Playground, Westfield Helensvale

COST: \$5. Bookings are required.

MORE INFO



GRILL'D KIDS MASTERCLASS

In this hands-on masterclass thanks to Grill'd Burgers, kids will see all the secrets to their famous burgers, learn the 'superpowers' of great nutrition and build a perfect burger from the bun up.

- · A guide to dressing their perfect Grill'd burger
- A special Grill'd 'healthy eating' activity and colouring pencils
- Chicken or Beef Mini-Me pack to eat...
- ...and a voucher for one to have later!
- Grill'd bandana and spatula
- A certificate of achievement
- Local Heroes stickers

DATE: 4, 5, 11 & 12 April TIME: 9.30-10.30am

LOCATION: Grill'd Harbour Town, Robina, Pacific Fair & Surfers

Paradise

COST: \$25. Bookings are required. Recommended for kids 5 - 10yrs

MORE INFO



WELCOME TO WONDERLAND

Come and join a whimsical experience at The Strand at Coolangatta's Wonderland Craft event! Make your own teacup biscuits and decorate them with icing and toppings of your choice. You can also unleash your inner artist with paintable cookies. Let your imagination run wild as you paint your own edible masterpiece.

DATE: Monday 10 - Friday 21 April

TIME: 11am - 2pm

LOCATION: Ground Level near Just Sunnies, Strand Coolangatta

COST: Free.

THINGS TO SEE



JACK AND THE BEANSTALK PUPPET SHOW

These holidays, Qld Theatre of Puppetry are back and showing Jack and the Beanstalk! Brilliant sets and Puppets, lighting and sound create a fantastic Theatre experience for all your children. The most incredible part is the entire show is put on by kids! Make sure to pack a picnic and go for a play on the playground afterwards!

DATE: Weekdays only. Monday 3 - Friday 14 April (incl. Good Friday

and Easter Monday)

TIME: Shows at 9.30am & 11am

 $LOCATION: Macintosh\ Park, Southport$

COST: \$6pp. Pay at the door. Under 2yrs free. MORE INFO



DINOSAURS OF PATAGONIA

A massive dinosaur exhibition featuring the largest-known land animal ever has roared into Queensland Museum! Discover the roarsome Dinosaurs of Patagonia featuring sixteen life-sized skeletons from South America's Age of Dinosaurs. Come face-to-face with the world's biggest dinosaur - the famous titanosaur Patagotitan; the razor-sharp teeth of the giant carnivore Tyrannotitan; and one of the world's earliest dinosaurs Herrerasaurus.

DATE: On everyday until October TIME: Sessions are ticketed and timed. LOCATION: Queensland Museum, Brisbane

COST: Adult, \$26; Child (3 - 15 years), \$15; Concession, \$23; Family (2

adults + 2 kids), \$72.

Purchase tickets online before visiting to avoid disappointment.

MORE INFO



SEA OF LIGHT

Embark on a journey of light and imagination in this illuminating interactive installation. Traverse the sea with a UV torch as your paintbrush, to paint and stencil your own voyage in light. Steer ships that leave glowing paths of light in their wake, then dive below the surface to uncover glowing inflatables in hidden reef worlds. As you explore Sea of Light, artworks by Contemporary Aboriginal Visual Artist Elizabeth Close are painted in light across the sea floor. These paintings speak to the connection between land and sea, the earth and waterways and are informed by the diversity of the Australian landscape. Sea of Light brings together magical light and a gentle soundscape to create a unique adventure for the whole family.

DATE: 13-18 April

TIME: Sessions are ticketed and timed.

LOCATION: HOTA, Bundall

COST: \$15 per person, under 1yr free

Purchase tickets online before visiting to avoid disappointment.

ACTIVE & HEALTHY GOLD COAST



MAKE HOLIDAY MEMORIES WITH ACTIVE & HEALTHY GOLD COAST!

Take advantage of the cooler days and of our famous beaches, beautiful parks, open spaces and lush hinterland. There is a fantastic array of free and low-cost experiences on offer right across the City through our City of Gold Coast Active & Healthy holiday program.

So check out the program, pack the picnic basket and invite your family and friends to get out in the outdoors and enjoy all the great things on offer.

Activities include:

- Slime bubble science workshop
- 15m ninja warrior inflatable obstacle
- Circus fun
- Tie dye workshop
- Drumming and dancing
- SUP stand up paddling
- Led hula hoop circus party
- Noodle ninja warrior with BlazePods
- Pop-up playgrounds
- Wheelies skateboard, mountain, roller skate and bike workshops
- Nature experiences
- Rock climbing
- Silent disco
- And much more

DATE: 1-16 April

LOCATION: Various locations across the

Gold Coast

COST: Free or low cost

NATURE LOVERS



NATURALLY GC HOLIDAY PROGRAM

NaturallyGC holiday programs are specifically designed to connect kids with nature and encourage outdoor play and learning by exploring the Gold Coast's natural environment. The workshops cover a range of nature based activities from guided bushwalks, wildlife shows, coastal education and more.

DATE: 1-15 April

LOCATION: Various locations across the Gold Coast

COST: Free. Bookings essential.

MORE INFO



KIDS IN CONSERVATION AT THE GARDENS

Join the Friends of the Gold Coast Regional Botanical Gardens to explore the gardens and learn about conservation through their Kids in Conservation workshops.

Kids in Conservation: Hollows are Homes

 Many Australian native animals live in hollows. At the Botanic Gardens a number of nesting boxes have been installed to increase the wildlife at the Gardens. Look up to find the hollows and take home a booklet about Hollows are Homes. Create a clay model of one of the animals.

Kids in Conservation: Pollinators Aplenty

 What are pollinators? Why are pollinators so important? Can we survive without them? Find the answers to these questions as you walk in the Gold Coast Regional Botanic Gardens to find and identify the pollinators present. There are plenty attracted to all the plants growing in the Gardens!

DATE: Wednesday 4 April & 11 April

TIME: 9-10.15am & 9-11am

LOCATION: Gold Coast Regional Botanical Gardens, Benowa COST: \$5 per child, Bookings essential. Suitable for 5-11 yrs old.

MORE INFO



JELLURGAL LITTLE EXPLORERS

Children can explore the magic of the "Dreaming Mountain", Jellurgal (Burleigh Headland), with an art workshop and engaging guided walk. Aimed at children from 5 - 12 years of age, the experience begins with an Aboriginal art workshop. Children will learn about the methods of Aboriginal painting and the symbols and their meanings and create their own masterpiece. Following the art workshop, the group are taken on a short guided walk from Jellurgal Aboriginal Cultural Centre through the gates of Burleigh Head National Park and along the shores Tallebudgera Creek.

DATE: 1-14 April

MORE INFO

TIME: times vary depending on date selected

LOCATION: Jellurgal Aboriginal Centre, Burleigh Heads

COST: \$25 per child, adults free

NATURE LOVERS



BRICK MASTERS AT CURRUMBIN SANCTUARY

Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary has teamed up with Andrew and Damian from LEGO Masters to offer some amazing Brick Masters Wildlife Workshops these school holidays. Go Wild with thousands of bricks during a 1 hour interactive workshop, before exploring everything Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary has to offer! This is a build and smash experience. Once you've built your masterpiece, take part in the fun game of smashing your build so that other brick enthusiasts can enjoy the experience after you!

DATE: 1-6 April

TIME: 9:00am, 10:30am, 1:00pm, 2:30pm LOCATION: Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary

COST: \$25 per child, general admission to the Sanctuary is also required. Bookings essential. Recommended for ages 6+.

MORE INFO



WILD ADVENTURES AT CURRUMBIN SANCTUARY

Animal trainer for a day: Learn about training techniques used for animal health checks and behaviours for the shows.

Vet for a day: Participants will learn about rehabilitation and rescue, release techniques, veterinary equipment and their uses and conduct health checks on animals.

Eco scientist for a day: Become an eco scientist for the day and use your new found knowledge of the natural sciences to help protect the environment. In this exciting new holiday program, you will discover what's under the microscope, examine artifacts through a magnifying glass and get up close to our animal ambassadors, plus much more!

DATE: 11-14 April TIME: 9am - 3pm daily

MORE INFO

LOCATION: Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary

COST: \$69 per session. Bookings essential. Recommended for ages 6+.



RANGER FOR THE DAY AT PARADISE COUNTRY

Experience a day in the life of a Paradise Country Ranger. Includes a full day of behind the scenes access taking part in daily duties like animal feeding and enrichment, park preparation and animal handling. Explore the unique wildlife, and enjoy a delicious morning tea and lunch plus a photo with a Koala to remember your day! Children aged 6-13 years.

DATE: 3-15 April TIME: 9am - 2pm

LOCATION: Paradise Country, Oxenford COST: \$95 per participant, Bookings essential