

# Kura Takiura

## Learning at Christchurch City Libraries

### Programmes on offer:



#### Navigating the Library\*

**Locations:** All libraries  
**Duration:** 30 minutes  
**Group size:** Maximum 30 ākongā

An introduction to the library and what it offers. This is the session for those new to the library as it includes what a library is, what they can do there and finishes with a scavenger hunt to help familiarise ākongā with the library.

\*For visits to Tūranga, this session will focus on the children's collections on Hapori | Community, Level 1



#### Library Skills - Explore

Recommended up to Year 5  
**Locations:** All libraries  
**Duration:** 30 minutes  
**Group size:** Maximum 30 ākongā

Explore what makes books special. Ākongā will discover how to care for books and the difference between fiction and non-fiction.



#### Stories Aloud

Recommended up to Year 6  
**Locations:** All libraries  
**Duration:** 30 minutes  
**Group size:** Maximum 30 ākongā

A fun read-aloud session. Ākongā will enjoy a variety of engaging stories to build a positive connection with the library, books and the stories found within.



#### Library Skills - Discover

Recommended for Year 3+  
**Locations:** All libraries  
**Duration:** 45 minutes  
**Group size:** Maximum 30 ākongā

Ever wondered how librarians know exactly where the books are? Ākongā will be introduced to our library catalogue, the Dewey Decimal System and digital resources to learn how to use and access our collections.



#### Sensory Storytimes

Recommended for Years 1-8  
**Location:** Tūranga  
**Duration:** 1 hour  
**Group size:** Maximum 10 ākongā

Our Sensory Storytimes programme is for primary-aged tamariki on the autism spectrum or with multisensory needs. These interactive sessions are designed to engage tamariki of all abilities through a range of sensory experiences, fostering learning, social interaction, communication, and inclusion in an accessible and supportive environment. For more programme details and available times, please visit our website.



#### Library Skills - Research

Recommended for Year 6+  
**Locations:** All libraries  
**Duration:** 45 minutes  
**Group size:** Maximum 30 ākongā

Discover the potential of library resources. Ākongā will be guided on how to research and find information using our library resources.



#### Book Discovery

Recommended for Year 3+  
**Locations:** All libraries  
**Duration:** 30 minutes  
**Group size:** Maximum 30 ākongā

Discover your next great read - with no spoilers! Utilising the expertise of librarians, this session will share a range of books to spark curiosity to inspire a vibrant reading culture.



#### Cultural Programmes

**Māori & Pasifika** - Upon request, we will work with you to co-design bespoke programming.

**Locations:** All libraries and on request at your kura within Ōtautahi-Christchurch.

**ESOL** - Select either a World Languages Collection tour or a library tour focused on our ESOL collections.

**Locations:** Fendalton Library, Tūranga and Upper Riccarton Library



### Ōtautahi-Christchurch History Programmes

**Location:** Tūranga

A range of sessions about Ōtautahi-Christchurch's past and present. For more programme details, please visit our website.



### Podcasting @ Your Kura

Recommended for Years 7-8

**Location:** At your kura within Ōtautahi-Christchurch

**Duration:** 3 hours

**Group size:** Maximum 12 ākonga

Ākonga will take a practical, hands-on approach to podcast creation recording in our Auahatanga Mobile van. For more programme details and funding support, please visit our website.



### Auahatanga Creative Space Showcase

Recommended for Year 1+

**Locations:** Tūranga and Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre

**Duration:** 45 minutes

**Group size:** Maximum 15 ākonga

Learn about what's in our Auahatanga Creative Spaces and how to access them to bring your creative ideas to life. It includes a tour of the space, technology, a showcase of available opportunities and hands-on tasters.



### Miniature Maker

Recommended for Year 4+

**Locations:** Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre, Tūranga, Matatiki Hornby Centre and New Brighton Library

**Session 1 Time:** 9:30am-2:30pm

**Session 2 Time:** 1 hour (at your kura within Ōtautahi-Christchurch)

**Group size:** Maximum 12 ākonga

Embark on a hero's journey with our Miniature Maker workshop! Ākonga will develop a character through creative writing, design a 3D model, create a background using an AI image generator and laser cut a terrain tile inspired by their story. For more programme details and funding support, please visit our website.



### Media Studio Showcase

Recommended for Year 9+

**Location:** Tūranga

**Duration:** 15 minutes

**Group size:** Maximum 10 ākonga

Learn about what's in our Media Studio and how you can use it to unleash your creativity.



### Podcasting Essentials

Recommended for Years 5-8

**Location:** Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre

**Time:** 9:30am-2:30pm

**Group size:** Maximum 12 ākonga

An introduction to script writing, recording, production techniques and editing to produce a podcast segment. For more programme details and funding support, please visit our website.



### Creative Design Workshop

Recommended for Year 7+

**Locations:** Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre, Tūranga and Matatiki Hornby Centre

**Time:** 9:30am-2:30pm

**Group size:** Maximum 12 ākonga

Learn vector art design with Affinity Designer and apply your design to a creation such as a t-shirt, laptop cover, tote bag or sticker. For more programme details and funding support, please visit our website.



### Coding Creations – VEX Robotics

Recommended for Years 7-8

**Location:** Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre

**Time:** 10am-2pm

**Group size:** Maximum 10 ākonga

This hands-on programme uses VEX robotics and block-based coding (text based optional). Ākonga will learn key computational thinking skills by programming robots and understanding core concepts such as inputs, outputs, and automation. For more programme details and funding support, please visit our website.



### Crafting Empathy

Recommended for Year 6+

**Locations:** Te Hāpua: Halswell Centre, Tūranga, Matatiki Hornby Centre and New Brighton Library

**Time:** 10am-1pm

**Group size:** Maximum 12 ākonga

In Minecraft, collaboratively build a virtual village while gaining insight into reliance, empathy, and ethical decision-making. For more programme details and funding support, please visit our website.

