



Living &
Learning
Libraries

GREATER DANDENONG

imagine, explore, discover

SUMMER 2025

**BIG
SUMMER
READ**

NEW

**Library of
Things**

Free

please take one

What's On
in the libraries

**Weekly/Fortnightly Programs****Monday**

Toddler Time*		10
Coffee Club		4
Library Tech Assist		6

Tuesday

Sensitive Storytime*		10
Library Help for Adults*		4
Library Tech Assist		6

Wednesday

Social Knitwork		4
Baby Bounce*		10
Library Tech Assist		6
Baby Bounce Outreach*		

Library Help for Adults*		4
Conversation Circle		4

Thursday

Storytime*		10
Library Tech Assist		6
Library Help for Adults*		4
Libraries After Dark		8 9

Friday

Baby Bounce*		10
Library Tech Assist		6
Library Help for Adults*		4
Sports Club at the Hub		11

Saturday

Family Fun*		10
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*During school terms only.

No programs run on public holidays**December**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

24	Reduced Hours 9am-5pm	
25	Closed - Christmas Day	
26	Closed - Boxing Day	
27	Closed	
28	Closed	
29	Reduced Hours 9am-5pm	
30	Reduced Hours 9am-5pm	
31	Reduced Hours 9am-5pm	

4 Dec	Book Club: Libraries After Dark		4
4 Dec	Let's Talk Family History		6
8-12 Dec	Final week of Children's Programming for 2025		
9 Dec	Art Series		5
11 Dec	HACC program for younger people		
16 Dec	Art Series		5
18 Dec	Final week of Libraries After Dark Programming for 2025		

Happy Holidays to you all.



Scan the QR code to view events online.

Register for a program online or see library staff.

January

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

1	Closed - New Years Day	
2	Reduced Hours 9am-5pm	
26	Closed - Australia Day	
12-23	School Holiday Program	

13 Jan	Creative Seniors		7
15 Jan	Libraries After Dark Resumes		8
20 Jan	Creative Seniors		6
22 Jan	Online Book Club		6
27 Jan	Creative Seniors		6

**Add to your calendar****Saturday 11 April**

11am - 4pm

FREE!

Information in this publication is correct at the time of printing and is subject to change. Please visit our website and social media platforms.

February

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

2 Feb	Children's Programming Resumes		10
2 Feb	BITE series - Coffee Club		7
3 Feb	Creative Seniors		6
4 Feb	Reading Circle		6
10 Feb	Art Series		5
11 Feb	BITE series - Book Speed Dating		7
14 Feb	BIG Summer Read Finale Event		11
14 Feb	BITE Series - Kwabo Dance		7
17 Feb	Art Series		5
17 Feb	Citizenship Information		4
19 Feb	BITE series - Flower Resin		7
21 Feb	Think Tank		12
26 Feb	Online Book Club		6
28 Feb	Think Tank		12

Join the library

It is free and easy. Simply bring along identification and sign up and start borrowing, exploring and enjoying everything we offer.

Follow us on social media

Join us on social media to see highlights from past programs, stay in the loop with upcoming events and help keep our community active and connected.



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Coffee Club

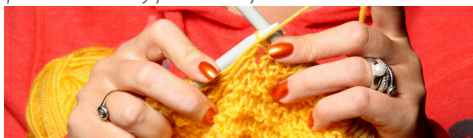
Join us for a chat over a cup of coffee or tea. Staff will be available to help you select some new reads from our extensive library collection.

A community bus is available for transport at a low cost for eligible participants.

Last week 15 December - Back 12 January

Mondays 11.30am-12.30pm

This program alternates weekly between Dandenong Library and Springvale Library, visit our website or phone the library for more information.



Social Knitwork

If you enjoy knitting and spending time with like-minded people, join our Social Knitwork at Dandenong Library each Wednesday morning. Come along and make new friends while building on skills, sharing patterns, stories and good times. All welcome.

Dandenong Library
Wednesday 10am-12.30pm

Last week 15 December - Back 12 January



Conversation Circle

Make new friends while practising English in a friendly, relaxed and safe environment. This program is suitable for adults. No English skills are required for the sessions.

Dandenong Library
Wednesday 6pm-7.30pm

Last week 17 December - Back 4 February



Online Bookclub

Would you like to be in a bookclub but work during the day? Join us in our online evening bookclub. Each month we will read or listen to a book from the OverDrive collection and meet online to discuss it. Discussion notes will be provided.

Online
Thursday 4 December 6.30pm-8pm



Free Information Sessions about applying for Australian Citizenship

Citizenship application requirements, Our Common Bond summary, revision and online practice tests.

Springvale Library
Tuesday 17 February 11.30am-12.30pm



Library Help for Adults

Drop in sessions for help with forms, resumes, job searches and more.

Dandenong Library
Tuesday 1pm-3pm
Thursday 2pm-5pm
Friday 2pm-4pm

Springvale Library
Wednesday 2pm-5pm

Excludes school holidays

Last day 19 December - Back 27 January

GREATER DANDENONG

art series

Illustrated Ephemera

Using Japanese and French papers, make a small hand-bound book with your own printed illustration

- Dandenong Library** ⌚ 6.30pm-8pm
Tuesday 9 December
- Springvale Library** ⌚ 6.30pm-8pm
Tuesday 16 December

Bird Puppets

Make a bird out of a recycled 2-litre milk bottle – and yes, it flaps its wings!

- Dandenong Library** ⌚ 6.30pm-8pm
Tuesday 10 February
- Springvale Library** ⌚ 6.30pm-8pm
Tuesday 17 February



Free event
Registrations required



Presented by Walker Street Gallery and Arts Centre and Greater Dandenong Libraries.



Library Tech Assist

Learn how to do more at your local library. Come and get one-on-one help from library staff with a range of essential technology skills. Free drop-in sessions.

Springvale Library
Monday - Friday 2pm-4pm

Dandenong Library
Monday - Friday 2pm-4pm

Last week 15 December - Back 12 January



Let's Talk Family History

Join our family history librarian to learn how to uncover more about your ancestry using the library's resources.

Springvale Library
Thursday 4 December 1.30pm-2.30pm

Online Bookclub - DandEreaders

Join us each month, as we read or listen to a book from the OverDrive collection, then meet online via Teams to share our thoughts. Discussion notes are provided to spark engaging conversation. All are welcome.

Online
Thursday 22 January 2pm-3pm
Thursday 26 February 2pm-3pm

Reading Circle

Join us at our monthly Reading Circle to hear about what others are reading, share what you are reading and get some inspiration.

Dandenong Library
Wednesday 4 February 11am-12pm

creative seniors

Take time for yourself with a series of **creative, hands-on workshops designed especially for seniors looking to recharge, connect and learn something new.**

Sri Lankan Tea and Paint



Sip tea, paint, and unwind in this relaxing creative session inspired by Sri Lankan culture. Explore your artistic side through guided painting, perfect for all skill levels.

Springvale Library
Tuesday 13 January 10.30am-12pm

Portrait Drawing



Join artist Ariel De Ramos for a hands-on portrait drawing workshop. Learn key techniques to capture facial features and expressions, and bring your portraits to life.

Keysborough Community Hub
Tuesday 20 January 10.30am-12pm

Polymer Clay Workshop



Get creative with polymer clay. This beginner-friendly workshop will guide you through the process of shaping and designing your own unique clay creations.

Dandenong Library
Tuesday 27 January 10.30am-12pm

Arabesque Embroidery



Bring your design to life by transferring motifs onto a cotton bag, then adding texture and colour through hand embroidery. A simple, creative way to personalise your own textile piece.

Springvale Library
Tuesday 3 February 10.30am-12.30pm

BITE into

Belong. Interact. Try. Explore.

your library



Welcome to the newly opened Keysborough Library Lounge

This bite-sized series is a perfect way to explore what's available: a teaser of the programs happening across all our library branches.



Coffee Club

Join us for a chat over a cup of coffee or tea. Staff will be available to help you select some new reads from our extensive library collection.

Monday
2 February
11.30am-12.30pm



Book Speed Dating

Fall in love with your next read. Sample the first few pages, ditch the duds, and discover surprise favourites. It's speed dating, but for books. Come curious, leave with a list of literary crushes.

Wednesday
11 February
10.30am-11.30am



Kwabo Dance Workshop

Move, connect, and celebrate through dance in this high-energy workshop by Kwabo Events. Designed to uplift and inspire, it's a joyful exploration of rhythm, movement, and community, open to all skill levels.

Saturday
14 February
10am-11am



Dried Flower Resin Art

Create your own eco-friendly resin case using plant-based materials and sustainably sourced dried flowers. This hands-on workshop is perfect for nature lovers and crafters. No experience needed, all materials provided.

Thursday
19 February
10.30am-12pm

Whether you're new to Keysborough or just curious, it's your chance to connect, discover and feel at home in your library.

DISCOVER SOMETHING NEW LIBRARIES AFTER DARK



A space to relax, chat and learn

Pop in for a cuppa or learn something new.



Scan QR code
to view online and
register for an
event

Every Thursday from 6.30pm to 8pm



Silver Smithing I

4 December

Dandenong

Join Nerea for a hands-on workshop where you'll craft your own dangly metal earrings using basic silversmithing tools and techniques. No experience needed.



Silver Smithing II

11 December

Springvale

Continue or begin your jewellery making journey with Nerea.



Christmas Clay Ornaments

18 December

Keysborough

Using air dry clay, various imprinting tools and paint, create magical Christmas ornaments to adorn your home and create a merry Christmas atmosphere.



Watercolour – Summer Theme

15 January

Dandenong

Unwind with a creative watercolour workshop inspired by summer. Learn to paint serene beach scenes, rolling ocean waves, and other seasonal delights using simple, expressive techniques.



African Drumming

22 January

Springvale

Feel the rhythm and connect through the powerful beats of the African djembe in this energetic and welcoming session designed for beginners.



Blooming Water Art

29 January

Keysborough

Explore the magic of floating illustrations. It's a playful, calming experience that blends mindfulness with artistic expression.



Indian Embroidery

5 February

Dandenong

Join us for a mindful stitching session, Kantha, a traditional Indian embroidery technique known for its simplicity, beauty, and storytelling.



Valentines Day Air Dry Ornaments

12 February

Springvale

Celebrate love and creativity with a fun air-dry clay project! Craft charming hearts and other Valentine's-inspired pieces. Perfect for adding a handmade touch to your décor, any time of year.



Tezhib

19 February

Keysborough

Explore the timeless art of Islamic illumination, known as tezhib. From drawing elegant floral motifs to adding shimmering gold accents, this meditative practice invites you to find your own rhythm and flow.



Paper Jewellery

26 February

Dandenong

Learn how to craft beads, bangles, pendants, and earrings from recyclable paper with simple techniques and stunning results.



Please note:

The final week of children's programming for 2025 will be held from 8 - 12 December. Regular programs will resume from the week beginning Monday 2 February 2026.

**Baby Bounce**

Songs, stories and rhyme time for parents, carers and babies aged 0-23 months.

Dandenong Library
Wednesday 10.30am-11am

Springvale Library
Friday 10.30am-11am

Keysborough Community Hub
Friday 10.30am-11am

Baby Bounce: Outreach

Build your baby's literacy, confidence and motor skills through songs, rhymes and stories at these quiet sessions. Great for families with younger babies.

Paddy O'Donoghue Centre
18-34 Buckley Street, Noble Park

5 November - 10 December
Wednesdays 2pm-2.30pm

**Toddler Time**

Stories, songs, colouring and rhymes for children aged 2-3 years.

Dandenong Library
Monday 10.30am-11am

Springvale Library
Monday 10.30am-11am

Keysborough Community Hub
Tuesday 10.30am-11am

**Sensitive Storytime (2.5+ years)**

A session for children with sensory sensitivity in a controlled, fun and comfortable environment. This session includes: smaller group size, picture schedules and finish boxes, fidget toys, shortened storytelling, playtime and a flexible approach. Please email libraryprograms@cgd.vic.gov.au to register.

Springvale Library
Tuesday 10.30am-11.30am

Hey you... I'm hiding! Can you find me?

**Hunt for the hidden Big Summer Read mascots**

at Dandenong, Springvale Libraries and Keysborough Community Hub.

Solve the puzzle, discover the secret word and collect your achievement certificate

**Storytime**

Storytelling, songs and craft for children aged 3+ years.

Dandenong Library
Thursday 10.30am-11am

Springvale Library
Thursday 10.30am-11am

**Sports Club at the Hub**

Come along and meet new friends while having some fun trying different sports. A free and fun after school activity. This event is for young people aged 12+.

Springvale Community Hub and Library
6 February - 27 March
Friday 4.30pm-5.30pm

**Family Fun**

Family Fun is an interactive program where primary school aged children and their families can learn to play different board games, create with LEGO®, solve puzzles and more.

Springvale Library
Saturday 3pm-4pm



We're throwing a special party for all Big Summer Read participants and you're invited!

Enjoy a magical live show by Em Chandler (she/her) and find out if you're one of our lucky prize winners. Keep reading until 31 January to be in the running.

Saturday
14 February at 2pm
Springvale Library





THE THINK TANK

Immerse yourself in SCIENCE!

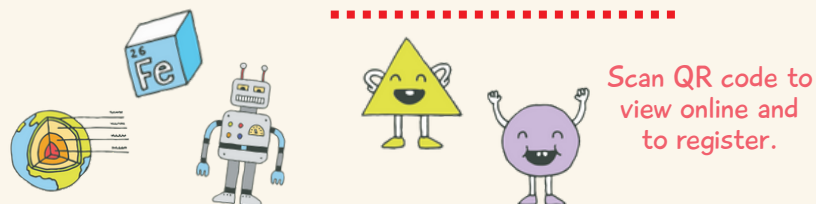
AT GREATER DANDENONG LIBRARIES

A science program for 7-11 year-olds and their carers. Saturdays 3-4pm

Check the website in early January for full details.

21 February - Springvale Library

28 February - Dandenong Library



Scan QR code to view online and to register.




SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

Join us for free activities in the libraries from 12 -23 January.

Events will be listed online and bookings open four weeks in advance. Spots are limited and often book out fast—don't miss out!

Scan QR code for website listings



Justice of the Peace

Justices of the Peace (JPs) are available at Dandenong Library and Springvale Community Hub. The service is free and staffed by volunteers.

No appointments are needed but availability is best confirmed by phoning 1300 630 920 before you visit the library.

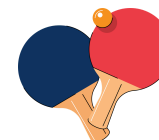


Sporting Equipment for Loan

Library members can borrow free sporting equipment to use at Springvale Community Hub and Keysborough Community Hub.

- **Springvale:** Basketballs, table-tennis sets, mini rockets and foosball.
- **Keysborough:** Basketballs, soccer balls

Conditions apply. Please see staff for details.



Meeting Rooms

Springvale Library has meeting rooms available to use or book in advance. The rooms offer technology for meeting, studying or connecting with people online. Rooms are free to use however conditions apply.



Read and Relax Blog

Looking for something to read over Summer? Our library staff have reviewed their favourite books and DVDs on our Read and Relax Blog. So get some inspiration for your holiday reading, all items available free through our libraries.

Home Library Service

A free library delivery service for eligible residents of the City of Greater Dandenong. Volunteers or staff will visit regularly with a selection of library materials chosen to suit personal interests and requirements.



Scan QR code or visit our website to learn more

Little Libraries

Little Libraries are sets of Library lockers that are used to pick up holds. Use the lockers to pick up holds and return items, 24/7.

Menzies Avenue

41 Menzies Avenue, Dandenong North

Douglas Street

39a Douglas Street, Noble Park

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- Global Newsbank
- Press Reader
- Overdrive

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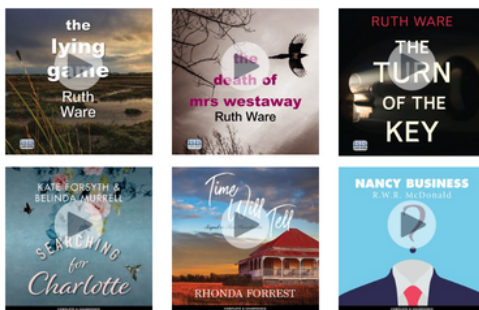
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- ULibrary
- Overdrive and Libby
- LOTE4Kids
- Storybox Library
- Tumble Book Library

Study and Learning

- LinkedIn Learning
- Mango Languages
- Road to IELTS
- Arrivals in English

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to explore all our online resources.

Discover a new way to experience
your favourite books



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eAudiobooks from ULibrary at a time
with your library membership.**

Library of Things



**Borrow from our exciting new
collection:**

- Blood pressure monitors
- Thermal cameras
- Kodak Slide n Scan Digital Scanner
- ...and more cool tools to come.

A quick induction is needed to borrow.
Check our website for the full list and updates.

Ibrahim Ahmed:

Amidst the Absence a Present is Felt

What's missing tells the strongest story.

Walker Street Gallery and Arts Centre

25 October 2025 - 16 January 2026

Wednesday to Saturday 11am - 3pm

greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/absence

The Place to Be Dandenong Town Hall

See the personal history of
Dandenong unfold.

Heritage Hill Museum and Historic Gardens

October 15 2025 - 20 February 2026

Wednesday to Thursday 10am - 2pm

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INSPIRING THEATRE — LASTING MEMORIES

ENCORE

Theatre made easy —
unforgettable shows, warm
company, and a touch of
hospitality at the Drum Theatre.

drum.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/encore



'Tis the Season

Thursday 11 December,
10.30am



B# Big Band Swing!

Thursday 17 February,
10.30am

GAROLS

IN HARMONY SQUARE

Friday 5 December
6pm - 9pm

225 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong

Carols sing along • Free face painting
Family activities

FREE
ENTRY

NEW YEAR'S EVE FIREWORKS IN DANDENONG

Free
Entry

Wednesday 31 December
6pm - 9.30pm
Wilson Oval

Entry from Pultney Street, Dandenong

Fireworks at 9.25pm. No midnight fireworks.
Live Entertainment | Food Trucks
Roving Performers

Lots of
prizes to be
won!

BIG SUMMER READ

Participate in the BIG Summer Read at Greater
Dandenong Libraries 1 December – 31 January.

Join. Borrow. Read. Win!



Public Libraries
Victoria

Readings

Springvale Library
Springvale Community Hub, 5 Hillcrest Grove, Springvale

Dandenong Library
225 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong

Keysborough Community Hub
10 Villiers Road, Keysborough, VIC 3173

1300 630 920

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