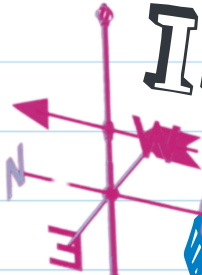


Free & cheap fun  
while school's out



# JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES IN STRATFORD

[Stratford.govt.nz/holidays](http://Stratford.govt.nz/holidays)



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**STRATFORD**  
DISTRICT COUNCIL



# Important information about our school holiday programme

## Make sure you register

You'll need to register for some of our activities. Do it early so you don't miss out. You can register online at [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz), at the Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre, or Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre.

## Is your kiddo 8 years old or under?

Children 8 years and under have to be actively supervised by a caregiver 16 years old or over for all of our activities.

At Wai O Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre, there must be at least 1 adult supervisor to 3 children under the age of 8. If a caregiver is supervising more than one child under the age of 8, all children have to be in the same pool. Full supervision rules are on page 8.

## Opening hours and contact details

### Stratford Library and Visitor Information Centre

Prospero Place, Stratford 4332

Call: 06 765 5403

Email: [library@stratford.govt.nz](mailto:library@stratford.govt.nz)

Facebook: [@StratfordLibraryNZ](https://www.facebook.com/StratfordLibraryNZ)

#### Normal opening hours:

- Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 5pm
- Saturday: 9am - 1pm
- Sunday and Public Holidays: closed

### Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre

53 Portia Street, Stratford 4332

Call: 06 765 6275

Email: [waiorua@stratford.govt.nz](mailto:waiorua@stratford.govt.nz)

[WaiORua.govt.nz](https://www.waiorua.govt.nz)

Facebook: [@WaiORuaStratfordAquaticCentre](https://www.facebook.com/WaiORuaStratfordAquaticCentre)

#### Normal opening hours:

- Monday - Friday: 6am - 6.30pm
- Saturday: 7am - 5pm
- Sunday and Public Holidays: 10am - 5pm
- Our hours can sometimes change due to facility bookings. Give us a call to check availability.



## Get out and about in Stratford

- Experience the latest exhibition at the Percy Thomson Gallery.
- Check out a movie at Stratford's historic TET Kings Theatre.
- Jump on your bikes and head to the Stratford Bike Park. While you're there, have fun on the playground and take a selfie in our Victoria Park photo frame.
- Take a stroll on the Stratford Discovery Trail.
- See what activities are available at Tutaki Youth.
- Visit the Taranaki Pioneer Village.
- Discover the Republic of Whangamomona and try your hand at the mini-putt course!
- Explore Te Popo Gardens.
- Enjoy some outdoor fun at the Hollard Gardens.
- Take a stroll on one of our many walking trails - have you tried the Cardiff Walkway or York Road Loop? Perhaps you've never been to Dawson Falls?!



Need more ideas?  
[Stratford.govt.nz/Discover](https://stratford.govt.nz/Discover)





# On at the Stratford Library and Visitor Centre



## Board Game Bonanza

**Tuesday 9 July**

**10am - 12pm**

Come and make some board games out of recycled materials.

**Cost:** Free

**Ages:** 5 - 12 years, kids under 8 need to have an adult with them

**Register:** At [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz)

**Venue:** Library



## Teddy bear sleepover

**Wednesday 10 July**

**3.30pm - 4.30pm**

Our teddy bear sleepover is back for another year!

Bring your bear to the Library for a story and to craft with you, then leave them to stay the night at the library.

You can pick them up the next day and see what mischief they got up to while the library was closed...

**Cost:** Free

**Ages:** All ages

**Register:** Not needed

**Venue:** Library



## Milk bottle lanterns

**Thursday 11 July**

**10am - 11am**

Make a lantern out of a recycled milk bottle.

**Cost:** Free

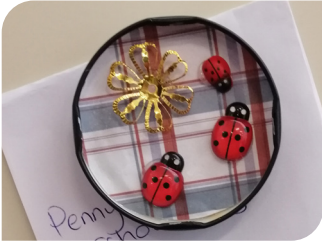
**Ages:** 5 - 12 years, kids under 8 need to have an adult with them

**Register:** At [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz)

**Venue:** Library



# On at the Stratford Library and Visitor Centre



## Make a magnet!

Tuesday 16 July

10am - 11am

Make a decorative magnet using the lid of a jar.

Cost: Free

Ages: 5 - 12 years, kids under 8 need to have an adult with them

Register: At [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz)

Venue: Library



## Cardboard capers

Thursday 18 July

10am - 12pm

Use your imagination and construct incredible creations using cardboard.

Cost: Free

Ages: All ages

Register: Not needed

Venue: Library

## Solve the emoji riddles!

Can you use the emoji clues to work out the titles of these kids books? Answers are on the back page of this booklet...



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# Out & about with Stratford District Youth Council



## SDYC on the Bus - Bowlarama & pizza!

**Thursday 11 July**

**12.30pm - 4.45pm**

We're heading to Bowlarama in New Plymouth for mini golf and laser tag with pizza for lunch.

**Cost:** \$5 per person

**Ages:** 12 to 18 years old

**Register:** At [Eventbrite.co.nz](http://Eventbrite.co.nz)

If you're under 18, we'll email you a permission form after you register. This will need to be completed and returned before the event.

**Venue:** Meet at the bus stop outside the Stratford War Memorial Centre



## SDYC at the Movies - Despicable Me 4!

**Sunday 14 July**

**Movie starts at 2pm**

Join Stratford District Youth Council at a FREE screening of Despicable Me 4!

Rated PG, this new movie sees Gru, Lucy and the girls welcome a new member to the Gru family, Gru Jr., who is intent on tormenting his dad. Gru faces a new nemesis.

**Cost:** Free - we've got 130 free seats available, first come, first served

**Ages:** Tamariki and rangatahi from 5 - 16 years of age

**Register:** Not needed

**Venue:** TET Kings Theatre





# Out & about with Stratford District Youth Council

7pm - 10pm, Friday 19 July

Start planning your neon fit. Our dance party will be lit!

SDYC and Zeal Taranaki are holding a free Neon Rave Party for intermediate and high school aged rangatahi. The black lights will be on to make your outfit shine! And there'll be live DJs, prizes for dancing and best dressed, a DJ competition, glow face painting, free ice-creams, barbeque, and much more.

Alcohol and drug free event!

Cost: Free

Ages: Intermediate or high school aged students

Register: Not needed

Venue: Stratford War Memorial Centre

# Neon Rave Party!



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YOUTH COUNCIL





# At Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre



## Pool supervision rules

- 5 years and under must have a caregiver over 16 years of age in the pool within arms reach
- 6-8 years must be actively supervised by a caregiver over 16 years of age.
- There must be a minimum of 1 adult supervisor to 3 children under the age of 8.
- If a caregiver is supervising more than one child under the age of 8, then all children must be in the same pool.

## Pool entry fees

From 1 July 2024

	Casual	10x Concession
Adult	\$6	\$54
Child	\$5	\$45
Senior	\$5	\$45
Spectator	FREE	
Adult supervising child under 8 years old in the water	\$3	
Family Pass (2 adults and 2 children over 8 years OR 1 adult and 3 children)	\$16	



## We'll have a mega inflatable out at these times...

**Mondays during the school holidays**

**11am - 2pm**

Love making a splash?

Visit Wai o Rua during one of our mega inflatable sessions for some extra bouncy fun!

**Cost:** Pool entry

**Ages:** All ages

**Register:** Not needed

**Venue:** Wai o Rua





# At Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre



## 2 x the inflatables for double the fun!

Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays during the holidays

11am - 2pm

TWO mega inflatables will be out for the ultimate in air-filled, splashy fun!

**Cost:** Pool entry

**Ages:** All ages

**Register:** Not needed

**Venue:** Wai o Rua



## Inflatable Race Day

Monday 8 July

11am - 12pm

Get ready for a fun-filled session of laughter, excitement, and (friendly) competition.

Take turns racing on the large inflatable, best times win a prize!

You can enter as an individual, get a team together for the group race, or even compete as a family.

Bit nervous? Our staff will be there to provide guidance, support, and heaps of encouragement!

**Cost:** Pool entry

**Ages:** 8 and over

**Register:** At [Eventbrite.co.nz](http://Eventbrite.co.nz)

**Venue:** Wai o Rua



## Treasure Hunt!

Friday 12 July

11am - 12pm

ARGHH! Ye ready kids?

Come and search for some delicious hidden treasure in and around the pool!

**Cost:** Pool entry

**Ages:** All ages

**Register:** Not needed

**Venue:** Wai o Rua



# At Wai o Rua - Stratford Aquatic Centre

## Build a raft day with PRIZES!

Tuesday 16 July

11am - 1pm

Let's get Building!

Come and join us for a fun and challenging adventure.

We'll put you into teams and using materials like barrels and ropes, you'll work together to design and build your own raft.

Teams will then get to challenge each other in a race with prizes for the fastest team.

**Cost:** Pool entry

**Ages:** 8 years and over

**Register:** At [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz)

**Venue:** Wai o Rua



## Snorkel fun day

Friday 19 July

11am - 12pm

Bring your own snorkel

Learn how to use your snorkel safely and search for underwater surprises!

**Cost:** Pool entry

**Ages:** 8 years and over

**Register:** At [Eventbrite.co.nz](https://www.eventbrite.co.nz)

**Note:** Only 10 spots available, get in quick

**Venue:** Wai o Rua



## Looking for even more awesome events?

Check for updates from:

- Taranaki Pioneer Village
- Tūtaki
- TET Kings Theatre
- Stratford Speedway
- Zeal Taranaki





# Colour in the sleepy axolotl

Fun fact! Did you know that an axolotl can regrow bits of their body if they're hurt? They can even grow back a missing arm, leg, or tail!





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you  
go...**

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✓ **Visit [Stratford.govt.nz/Events](https://Stratford.govt.nz/Events) to find out what's on, or to post your own community events!**

Did you solve the emoji riddles on page 5? 1 - Green Eggs and Ham, 2 - Goodnight Moon, 3 - The Very Hungry Caterpillar