



LIBRARY CORNER

MARANOA LIBRARIES

... more than just books!

When many of us think of libraries, the image of towering shelves filled with books often comes to mind. While books are undoubtedly the heart of any library, Maranoa Regional Council Libraries have evolved into dynamic community hubs offering a multitude of services and resources far beyond the written word.

Maranoa Regional Council Libraries are centres for lifelong learning, catering to people of all ages across our region. From early literacy programs for toddlers to technology workshops for seniors, our libraries provide educational opportunities that promote personal growth and development. We offer free classes in computer skills, language learning, and even job search assistance, ensuring that everyone in Maranoa has access to the tools they need to succeed in the digital age.

In an increasingly digital world, our libraries play a crucial role in bridging the digital divide. We offer free access to computers, the internet, and various digital resources. Patrons can use these services to complete school assignments, apply for jobs, or stay connected with loved ones. Our libraries also offer training sessions on digital literacy, helping individuals navigate the complexities of modern technology safely and effectively.

Maranoa Regional Council Libraries serve as cultural hubs, offering a variety of events and programs that enrich our community. Author talks, book clubs, and art exhibits are just a few examples of the cultural experiences we provide. These events foster a sense of community and create spaces where people can come together to share ideas, experiences, and creativity.

Maranoa Regional Council Libraries are indeed much more than just books. They are vibrant, multifaceted institutions that adapt to the changing needs of our communities. By offering diverse resources and services, our libraries foster learning, innovation, cultural enrichment, and social connection. As we continue to navigate the complexities of the modern world, our libraries remain steadfast in their mission to support and uplift everyone who walks through their doors. So, the next time you visit a Maranoa library, take a moment to explore all the amazing opportunities it has to offer—you might be surprised by what you find.



We hope this article inspires you to take full advantage of the many resources and programs available at Maranoa Regional Council Libraries. Whether you're looking to learn something new, connect with others, or simply find a quiet place to relax, our libraries are here to serve you.

Spotlight on PUBLIC PROGRAMMING



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There are many little ways to enlarge
your child's world. Love of books is
best of all.

Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis



Author Nerelie Teese @ Surat Library



Fiona Flanders reads Mrs Elephant
@ Roma Library



POETRY & PROSE
Workshop



@
ROMA
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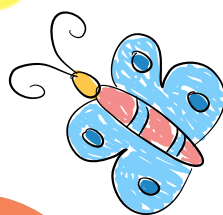


"The Big Freeze" art & craft
@ Mitchell Library

UNDER 8's DAY SURAT



Play
time



first5
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FUN AND GAMES @ Jackson & Surat Libraries



Focaccia

Ingredients

Dough:

1 2/3 cups bread flour
4tsp white Sugar
1 1/4tsp salt
1tsp instant yeast
3/4 cup very warm water
1 1/2tsp extra virgin olive oil
1/2 cup boiled and mashed potato (packed)

For baking:

4tsp extra virgin olive oil
1/2 tsp sea salt flakes

Directions

- 1. Mashed potato:** Peel and cut 1 large potato. Boil until full tender. Drain and mash until smooth and lump free. Set aside to cool before measuring required quantity.
- 2. Dry ingredients:** Place flour, salt, sugar and yeast in a large bowl and mix well.
- 3. Wet ingredients:** Make a well in the centre, then add olive oil and warm water. Mix until you can no longer see flour. Dough should be sticky - too sticky to knead by hand.
- 4. Add potato:** Add mashed potato. Using a folding motion, start mixing it through. Then start smearing it along the walls of the bowl. Once potato is evenly incorporated, shape roughly into a ball in the bowl.
- 5. Rise 1:** Cover bowl with cling wrap, then place in a warm place for 30 minutes. Dough should roughly double in size.
- 6. Rise 2:** Drizzle 2 teaspoons of olive oil around the edges of the dough. Fold the edges of the dough into the centre six times. Shape into bowl and cover with cling wrap. Put bowl in a warm place for 30 minutes. Dough should roughly double in size.
- 7. Prepare pan:** Meanwhile, prepare the pan by pouring in 2 tablespoons of olive oil, then smear it all across the base and along the walls.
- 8. Preheat oven:** Preheat oven to 220C. Allow time to ensure oven has been preheated for at least 15 minutes.
- 9. Rise 3:** Scrape dough into prepared pan. Stretch and pull to fill the base as best you can and get the surface roughly level. Cover pan with cling wrap, then put in a warm place for 40 minutes until dough expands and fills the pan.
- 10. Prepare for baking:** Drizzle the surface with two teaspoons of olive oil, and smear/rub it over lightly with your hands.
- 11. Poke:** Using both hands like claws, push fingers deep into the dough, right to the base of the pan to create dimples. Do this around half a dozen times across dough surface.
- 12. Toppings:** Add toppings of choice. Drizzle the surface with 2 tablespoons of olive oil so it runs into the dimples. Then sprinkle with sea salt flakes.
- 13. Bake:** Bake for 25-30 minutes until the top is deep golden and lightly crisp, while the sides are fried and crusty
- 14. Cool:** Turn out onto a cooling rack. Let it rest for at least 10 minutes before cutting to serve.

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TO EAT
AND
DRINK
WITH
FRIENDS



What's on in July

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AVAILABLE NOW AT ALL MRC LIBRARIES



Nurture your child's love of reading with our First 5 Forever take home pack for 0-2yrs. New pack + new book available each month. (PACKS ARE LIMITED - GET IN QUICK!)

Available to RLQ Library members. Not a member? No worries. Sign up today!

QldLibraries App

The QldLibraries App is now available for all Rural Libraries Queensland and Indigenous Knowledge Centre members, giving you access to your library's collections from anywhere on your phone or tablet.



The app provides the freedom to use the Aurora catalogue wherever there is an internet connection and allows you to:

- Search from 400,000+ items
- See recent additions to the catalogue
- Reserve books, DVDs and more
- Download eBooks, eAudiobooks and emagazines
- Manage your loans & reservations
- Link family members to your account
- Find your nearest library
- Store your library card in the app
- Scan books to see if already in collection
- Access eresources

The app can be downloaded from the Apple or Google Play stores.



Stay up to date with what's happening at your local library. Contact staff at your local library & ask to be added to their email list.



To help engage your little reader this kit includes:

Talk, sing, read and play ideas
Songs for you both to sing along to
Fun activities for you and your little reader to enjoy
(some art/craft supplies included)

So drop in today, borrow a book and pick up your First 5 Forever take home activity pack.

(Adult supervision required)



Activity packs are aimed at little readers aged 3-5yrs

TAKE HOME
ACTIVITY PACK



1-31 July, daily

Drop into your local library, borrow a book and pick up a First 5 Forever take-home activity pack. Packs include talk, sing, read & play ideas; songs and activities for you and your little reader to enjoy (some craft materials included). Kits are aimed at little readers 0-5yrs. To be used under adult supervision.

JULY'S FEATURED BOOK: The Frog Olympics

AVAILABLE NOW AT ALL MRC LIBRARIES

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Rural Libraries Queensland
your local library network



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INJUNE LIBRARY

School Holiday Activities - Cooking Session	Monday, 1	10am - 12am	Join the South West Cooking Program at the Injune Hall for a fun and educational cooking class where young chefs learn to create delicious dishes!
School Holiday Activities - Science	Tuesday, 2	1pm - 2pm	Big Bang Science Workshop - Animal Superheroes - Compare your abilities with animal superpowers through a series of interactive activities and discover which secret animal superpower you possess.
School Holiday Activities - Travel cup design	Thursday, 4	10am	Let your creativity flow and join us to design your own travel mug.
First 5 Forever - NAIDOC	Thursday, 11	10am	Celebrate NAIDOC week with story time and craft activities for the under 5s.
Adult Glue Watercolour Artwork	Thursday, 18	10am	Join us for a creative event where you'll make stunning glue and watercolour artwork! Use glue guns to create patterns, then paint with liquid watercolours. Once dried, peel off the glue to reveal unique designs. Perfect for all skill levels and a great way to have some creative fun!
Afterschool Activities - Olympics Craft	Wednesday, 24	3:30pm	Join us for a craft session in preparation for the Olympics.

JACKSON LIBRARY

Library Cuppa & Chat morning	Wednesday, 17	10am	Come along and enjoy a cuppa and chat downstairs at Jackson Library. Sue will have a few books for you to look at so why not take home a book to read. All welcome!
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MUNGALLALA LIBRARY

Storytelling & Craft Activity	Tuesday, 16	3.00pm	Join us for the story "If I were King" and then make your very own crown!
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ROMA LIBRARY

Library corner e-newsletter	All month	all day	E-gad it's e-mazing! Never miss out on what's on in the Maranoa Libraries with this e-newsletter delivered straight to your e-mailbox.
First 5 Forever Play Library	All month	all day	Come on down to the library and play, sing, talk and read with a variety of hands-on sensory toys designed to tickle the little-ones' imagination (ages 0-5+). You can even borrow something and take it home for a spell!
Lego at the Library	Monday-Saturday School Holidays	9am-5pm M-F, 9am-12pm Sat	Minecraft Lego at the Library - watch out for the Creeper!
School Holidays - Mini World Crafternoon	Monday, 1	2pm-4pm	Get RomaCon ready with this mini-world making crafternoon. Craft includes everything you need to make a scene in a bottle from Pokémon, Minecraft & Mario Bros. Limited to 10 spaces, bookings essential!
School Holidays - STEM Workshop - Madlab	Tuesday, 2	9:30am-10:30am	Learn how to wire your own circuitry with flashing LEDs using a soldering iron, circuit board, diodes and all the bells and whistles! Perfect for beginners, but due to hot elements, ages 8+ Spaces limited to 15, so bookings essential!
School Holidays - papercraft Crafternoon	Tuesday, 2	2pm-4pm	Get RomaCon ready with this paper-craft afternoon. Cut, fold and glue together tiny models of Eevee, Pikachu, and all the eevee-lutions. Gotta catch 'em all!
First 5 Forever Baby Time	Thursday, 4	9:30-11am	Join us in the library with informal self-led sensory play. We'll have some board books, hand-puppets and activities for your child to explore at their own pace. Stay and play for the full hour, or just pop in for a quick visit. Recommended ages 0-1
First 5 Forever Story Time	Thursday, 11	9:30am	Pull up a comfy cushion as we read tales of adventure and fun!
Toddy Move & Groove	Thursday, 18	9:30am-10:30am	Worried your little one is too wiggly to sit through story time? Bring them down to our new move & groove session! Help them develop their gross motor skills on the indoor sensory obstacle course & bop along to some nursery rhymes and Wiggles songs to develop their language skills at the same time!
First 5 Forever Aunty Lyn Storytime	Thursday, 25	9:30am	Pull up a comfy cushion as the dynamic Aunty Lyn regales us with tales of fun and excitement.

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SURAT LIBRARY

Children's Discovery STEM workshop	Wednesday, 3	9.30am to 10.30am	Explore how fossils are made, where they are found and how they got their names! Everyone will create their own fossil cast using our silicon moulds cast from genuine fossils. Ages 5-14.
Create your own bag	Saturday, 6	11am	Join us at the library for a fun and creative "Create Your Own Bag" craft activity! We'll provide bags, fabric markers, and a variety of other craft supplies. Bring your imagination and design a unique, personalized bag that's perfect for carrying books or other treasures. This family-friendly event is perfect for all ages and skill levels. Don't miss out on this crafty adventure!
Teen Glue Watercolour Artwork	Wednesday, 10	3.30pm to 4.30pm	Join us for a creative event where you'll make stunning glue and watercolour artwork! Use glue guns to create patterns, then paint with liquid watercolours. Once dried, peel off the glue to reveal unique designs. Perfect for all skill levels and a great way to have some creative fun! Bookings essential. Ages 10+ (Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult)
Smoko at the Gallery - Playgroup	Thursday, 11	9am to 12pm	Activity for the kids: Arts & Craft, Sensory Play, Outdoor Play, First 5 Forever Reading. The place: start in the library then venture out to Cobbs court after 10am. For more information see our Facebook page or the Surat Library.
Adult Glue Watercolour Artwork	Thursday, 11	10am to 11.30am	Join us for a creative event where you'll make stunning glue and watercolour artwork! Use glue guns to create patterns, then paint with liquid watercolours. Once dried, peel off the glue to reveal unique designs. Perfect for all skill levels and a great way to have some creative fun!
Olympic Bingo & Morning Tea	Thursday, 18	10am	Join us at the library for a thrilling morning of Olympic-themed bingo! Test your luck and knowledge as we celebrate the spirit of the Games with bingo games inspired by iconic Olympic events. Compete with fellow "bingolympians" for the chance to win exciting prizes.
Slam Dunk	Saturday, 20	11am	Join us this Saturday at the library for a fun-filled crafting session! Create your own Wooden Desktop Basketball game and show off your skills. All materials provided. Perfect for kids aged 8-12. Don't miss out on this exciting hands-on activity! Register now to secure your spot.
Surat ECEC visit	Tuesday, 23	10.30am	Story time, songs & rhymes - followed by fun activities.

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WALLUMBILLA LIBRARY

First 5 Forever Kits	Mon, Wed, Frid 1, 3 & 5	When open	For parents with kids under 5 looking for a craft activity during the school holidays. Can take home to make or in the library.
Friendship Bracelet Kits	Mon, Wed, Frid 1, 3 & 5	When open	Come and make a friendship bracelet for yourself or your friend. Ages 8+. Only 8 kits available. Can take home to make
Weaving Tapestry Hanging Circle	Monday, 1	12.30pm	Come and in and make a Hanging Tapestry Circle. Ages 8+. In library only.
Animal Superheroes	Wednesday, 3	1pm - 2 pm	Compare your abilities with animal superpowers through a series of interactive activities and discover which secret animal superpower you possess

MITCHELL LIBRARY

Animal Superheroes	Thursday, 4	1pm - 2pm	Compare your abilities with animal superpowers through a series of interactive activities and discover which secret animal superpower you possess.
NAIDOC Week	All Week	When open	Share and Celebrate NAIDOC Week Together. Storytime. Learn and share about First Nations by reading and listening to stories. All Welcome!
Summer Olympic Games	26 - 31	When open	Learn about the history of the Olympic Games.



Contact your local library

Maranoa Libraries are providers of a dynamic public library service, offering a welcoming, inclusive and stimulating environment where lifelong learning, self-empowerment and creativity is encouraged, a love of reading is nurtured, and a place where library users can meet their educational, information and recreational needs.

Maranoa Libraries have a working partnership with the State Library of Qld and our collection is accessed from Rural Libraries Queensland. This partnership not only includes an extensive book collection it also encompasses E-Resources which are accessible to all our members.

Membership to access Maranoa Libraries is free! We have adult, children and tourist memberships available. As all our libraries are part of the RLQ network you are able to use your membership at any of our eight locations.

Roma Library

Location: Roma Community Arts Centre, 38-44 Hawthorne Street, Roma

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm
- Saturday 9am - 12pm

Phone: (07) 4624 0301

Email: roma.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Injune Library

Location: Injune Multipurpose Complex, Hutton Street (Carnarvon Hwy), Injune

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- QGAP & Customer Service

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 8.30am - 12pm, 1pm - 5pm.

Phone: (07) 4626 0502

Email: injune.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Surat Library

Location: Cobb & Co Changing Station, 62 Burrowes Street, Surat

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- Centrelink, Medicare and other government programs access

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 9am - 4.30pm
- Saturday 10am - 4pm

Phone: (07) 4626 5136

Email: surat.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Jackson Library

Location: Edward Street, Jackson

- Public Access Computer Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

Wednesday 9am - 3.30pm

Phone: (07) 4627 6386

Email: jackson.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Yuleba Library

Location: Yuleba Customer Service Centre - Stephenson Street, Yuleba

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- Australia Post Office
- Customer Service Centre

Opening hours:

Monday to Friday 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 5pm

Phone: (07) 4629 9000

Email: yuleba.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Mitchell Library

Location: Mitchell Library Gallery Building, Cambridge Street, Mitchell

- Public Access Computer Available
- Free Wi-Fi
- Customer Service

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday 9am - 12pm, 1pm - 5pm
- Saturday 9am - 12pm

Phone: (07) 4624 6955

Email: mitchell.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Mungallala Library

Location: (adjoining the Mungallala Memorial Hall) Redford Street, Mungallala

- Public Access Computer Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

- Tuesday 3pm - 5.30pm
- Saturday 9am - 12pm

Phone: (07) 4623 6178

Email: mungallala.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Wallumbilla Library

Location: School of Arts Memorial Hall, Chadford Street, Wallumbilla

- Public Access Computers Available
- Free Wi-Fi

Opening hours:

- Monday and Wednesday 11.30am - 5pm
- Friday 11am - 5pm

Phone: 0438 374 932

Email: wallumbilla.library@maranoa.qld.gov.au