

## GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY 2023



Welcome to the Glendore Public School Children's University class of 2023!

We are looking forward to an exciting year of learning where you will be encouraged to connect with new learning opportunities and discover what educational events and experience you can do at home, in your local and regional areas.

You will find all the information you need in the following pages but please see Mrs Queenan if you have any questions. I am available at lunch play time every Thursday in my room (10.45-11.05). This is also a good opportunity to get your passport hours validated.

Happy learning!

# What is Children's University?

Children's University Newcastle is an opportunity for primary school students to learn new skills outside of school, and explore new places in and around their local and regional communities.

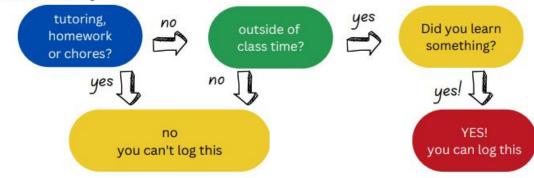
All children that join receive a passport to log all their hours of learning. Children will work towards 30 hours of learning in their first CU year to be invited to a celebratory graduation ceremony held at the University of Newcastle.

There are certificate levels up to 1000 hours so children can keep moving through the different levels.



## What can I put in my Passport?

### Is the activity...









## How many hours can I claim?

Any club /association based activity – sport/musical/ cultural

eg, football, dancing, music lessons, scouts, guides etc School clubs/groups (occurring before, at lunch after school)

eg, coding, choir, band, gardening, Children's Uni Activities

On Campus activities, CU web portal activities, CU Worksheets, Monthly challenges, term & event Community Events & Activities

eg -museums, art galleries, cultural festivals and events, workshops etc

10 hours per activity per year

check the activity (range 30mins - 5 hours) maximum of 2 hours per activity





## How many hours do I need to graduate?

If it is your first year in the program - at least 30 hours to achieve the first certificate level (bronze award), but you can do more if you want.

If 2nd+ year in the program - you need enough hours to move up a certificate level, eg if you earnt a bronze award last year, you need enough hours this year to move up to a silver award.

### All hours carry across to the next year



# What are the certificate levels?

Certificate	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Award	30	65	100
Certificate	130	165	200
Diploma	230	265	300
Degree	330	365	400
Postgraduate Award	430	465	500

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Certificate	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Postgraduate Certificate	530	565	600
Postgraduate Diploma	630	665	700
Postgraduate Masters Degree	730	765	800
Doctorate	830	865	900
Fellowship	930	965	1000



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## Who can stamp my passport?



Passports can be stamped by

- · the Learning Destination,
- the in-school coordinator
- a Children's University Project Officer.

Parents cannot stamp or sign a child's passport





### How do I show learning?

Children's Uni encourages members to explore a wide variety of community based learning experiences, and we are aware that not all of these take place at a Learning Destination or through the school.

Credit for this type of learning can be added to your Passports by providing evidence of learning to the in-school coordinator who will determine the time allowed (max. 2 hrs) based on the evidence provided.

Evidence of learning could be, but not limited to:

- a conversation with your school coordinator about what learning occurred
- a video diary
- a photo collage of the experience
- a written or oral recount
- a piece of art or craft created as part of the experience
- a poster demonstrating the learning
- a presentation
- a worksheet provided at the experience
- a completed CUA Visit Diary







## Where can I find activities?

Web portal - Online activities are uploaded regularly. The portal also contains an a list of CU Newcastle's Learning Destinations.

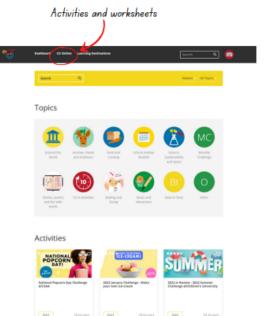
Your in-school coordinator - has a range of worksheets and booklets you can ask for.

Facebook - CU Newcastle and CU Australasia will regularly post activities, monthly challenges, special event activities.



Children's University Australasia (Newcastle)









#### Weekend & School Holidays

There are lots of website that collate weekend and school holiday activities

Here are a few suggestions

- Newy with Kids newywithkids.com.au/
- Lake Mac Family Life lakemacfamilylife.com.au/
- Love Central Coast lovecentralcoast.com/events
- playinginpuddles.com.au/
- · What's on Port Stephens portstephens.org.au/events/
- Cessnock City Council cessnock.nsw.gov.au/Things-to-do/Events
- Singleton Council singleton.nsw.gov.au/Experience/Events/Whats-On
- Mid North Coast visitnsw.com/





## Where can I find support?

- Children's University looks different in every school so if you have any questions relating to the program your first point of contact should always be your in-school coordinator.
- If you do need to, you can contact Children's University Newcastle via email on

### childrensuniversitynewcastle@newcastle.edu.au

 Social Media - CU Newcastle uses facebook to promote Learning destinations. share local activities and events that may interests students/families and general information about the program. Please note that while you can send us a message on facebook- it is not checked daily and may take longer for a response.



#### How can our family find out what is available?

- Children's University website: <a href="https://cuaportal.com">https://cuaportal.com</a>. We are in partnership with over 500 learning destinations across Australia. Destinations are listed on the CU portal.
- Facebook: Children's University Australasia (Newcastle) https://www.facebook.com/ChildrensUniversityNewcastle/
  - \*\*Note\*\* for new GPS CU Students, your portal login will be provided in the next few weeks