

Activities at Living Springs

Tree Climb

Challenge yourself by scaling our giant Macrocarpa trees. The trees are equipped with climbing holds and climbers are kept safe with ropes, harnesses and helmets. Beware, the view from the top is breath-taking! *\$12 per person. 20 people max per session.*



Mountainboarding

If you've never heard of mountainboards, think off-road skateboards with foot bindings and a mountain bike brake. With 8" rubber tyres, these boards are suitable to roll over almost any surface, however to begin with we'll get you learning on a gentle sealed roadway. All riders wear full protective gear (helmets, knee pads, elbow pads and wrist guards) and we'll show you how to use the brake to control your speed. As riders grow in ability, we'll open up longer and more challenging routes to ride. *\$10 per person. 24 people max although 12 is ideal. Suits Year 7 and up.*

Archery Tag

Fast becoming a classic at Living Springs, Archery Tag is a similar game to paintball but with bows and foam-tipped arrows. Players are first given some time to practice their archery skills before suiting up with paintball masks and taking to the field to play. Players shoot the foam-tipped arrows at the opposing team and their target in a controlled and closely managed environment. Can also be played indoors if it's wet outside. *\$8-10 per person, dependent on number of sessions. 30 people max per session.*



Adventure Stream

Abseil down rock faces and wade through pools of water as you venture down our stream, which flows through a beautiful bush-clad gully. Groups are led by trained instructors, who encourage and assist participants to grow in self-confidence and mutual support. *\$8 per person. 20 people max per session.*

Boulder wall

Our purpose-built indoor bouldering wall is a great place to challenge yourself, grow in confidence and learn new skills. A session at the bouldering wall includes climbing techniques, fun games and an opportunity for climbers to test their skills and endurance. *\$5 per person. 30 people max per session.*



Archery and air rifles

A camp classic - test your marksmanship and practice your bow skills at our dedicated shooting range, set in a beautiful part of our native bush. Have a go at both activities within the one session. *\$6 per person. 30 people max per session.*



Low Ropes

Test your balance and agility and develop trust in your team members at our low ropes course. The course comprises six elements, each of which can be modified to increase difficulty. *\$5 per person. 30 people max per session.*



Initiatives Course

Roll up your sleeves, put on your thinking cap and rally your team to take on our Initiatives Course. Set in a beautiful stand of Kanuka trees, the course comprises eleven separate challenges, all of which require thinking outside the square, cooperation and trust to succeed. *\$4 per person. 60 people max per session.*

Outdoor Living Skills

New Zealanders have a great love of the outdoors and it is important for young Kiwis to learn basic survival skills. Participants will be given the opportunity to build their own shelters, light a fire using flint and steel, and prioritise the essential items to take when going into the bush. This is a great problem-solving group activity. *\$5 per person. 30 people max per session.*



Orienteering

Explore the wider Living Springs campus with our take on the classic orienteering activity. Learn how to read a map and race your classmates to complete the course. This activity is ideal for both large and small groups. *\$3 per person. 100 people max per session.*

Animal Survival

One of our most popular activities, Animal Survival is like a treasure hunt crossed with a giant game of tag, with carnivores and herbivores thrown in for good measure. In addition, the game illustrates the impact of human occupation and introduced species on our native New Zealand fauna. This activity can be trusted to burn off excess energy and is suitable for groups up to 90. *\$4 per person.*



Bushwalk

Not just a stroll through the bush but a journey of discovery. Learn interesting facts about native birds and trees, and find out how early Maori used the bush as supermarket, pharmacy and hardware store. The bushwalk includes a visit to our famous 800-year-old Kahikatea, one of the oldest trees on Banks Peninsula. The history of the Kahikatea has been immortalised in a childrens' fantasy story, written by our Living Springs historian. *\$4 per person. 30 people max per session.*



Walk-in to camp, from Governors Bay or Summit

Journey through time by learning about the volcanic formation of the Lyttelton Harbour, the successive waves of people who called it home, and the impact they have had on the harbour basin. Guided by one of our knowledgeable local instructors, the walk-in is a great way to start your Living Springs camp experience. Start at Governors Bay to walk around the



foreshore of the harbour and up to camp, or start at the Sign of the Bellbird to walk along the summit and drop down to camp. *\$6 per person. No maximum number.*

DIY Karts

Build your own kart and then race it against another team in this problem-solving, team-building, fun-filled activity. Using PVC pipe, wheels and axles, students construct a kart that can carry one team member. The ultimate aim is to make a simple, well-functioning kart, however there are points for style and cool features. *\$4 per person. This activity would suit a group of approx. 20.*

Tabletop Escape Room

Bringing the concept of an Escape Room to a tabletop level, this activity allows six teams to play simultaneously. Each team will be presented with six bags, each of which contains a selection of themed puzzles to be solved and locks to be unlocked. The winning team is the first one to solve all the puzzles and unlock the final box. This activity celebrates out-of-the-box problem-solving and favours brain over brawn. *\$4 per person. 48 people max per session.*

Bush ecology

Students will receive an introduction into plant identification, with a focus on native New Zealand plants. Through observations, peer-teaching and drawing, students will learn how to identify plants, along with how these plants have been used by both Maori and Europeans. *\$4 per person. 30 people max per session.*

Animal eco-systems

Explore the concept of animal interactions and the impact that non-native species may have on native species. Through discussion, exploration and games, students will develop a deeper understanding of the impact non-natives species have in New Zealand habitats. *\$4 per person. 30 people max per session.*

Farm Park

Cow milking, animal feeding, wagon rides, sheep shearing – it's all happening down on the farm. Our Farm Park is a great place for kids to interact with a variety of farm animals and learn the importance of agriculture to New Zealand's economy. *Price dependant on numbers. 80 max people per session.*

