

# Social Story™

## Mandurah Christmas Carols in the Park





# What is a social story™?

A social story™ uses storytelling to explain new experiences and environment, helpful for people feeling nervous about attending a new place or event.

- Read the social story before visiting the new place or event.
- If reading to someone, help them understand key points.
- After the visit, re-read the social story to celebrate achievements.





I am going to the City of Mandurah Christmas Carols in the Park on Saturday 14 December 2024 from 6pm to 9pm.





The Christmas Carols will be at Hall Park on the Western Foreshore.

This is the green open space next to the Western Foreshore playground area.





There is parking available at the Western Foreshore from Leighton Place and the Mandurah Bridge Car Park.

Both locations have ACROD parking.

Since it will be a busy event with lots of people attending, the parking areas may be busy too.





The Western Foreshore has an all abilities playground, picnic tables, bench seats, BBQs, toilets, and drinking fountains.

I can learn more about the all abilities playground by watching the video in this link: [[Playground video](#)]





There will be lots of people at the Christmas Carols.

If I use a wheelchair, it might be a good idea to ask someone I know to help me move across the grass.

People may move around during the carols, and that's ok.





I can bring my own picnic rug and folding chairs to sit on.





There will be food trucks on the Western Foreshore from 6pm to 9pm.

There will be smells near the food trucks of different food and drinks.





I might prefer to pack a picnic to eat instead of buying food from the food trucks.





There will be free activities for children to enjoy. There might be many children joining in, so it could be quite busy.





There will be people singing on the stage, and speakers will project the sound across Hall Park.

The closer I am to the stage and speakers, the louder the sound will be.





There might be musicians on the stage playing instruments like guitars and drums.

These instruments can be loud, but they will play music for people to enjoy.





I can wear earplugs or noise reduction earmuffs if I want to make the sound softer.





The Western Foreshore is a big area. If I need a break from the busy part of the event, I can go with my trusted adult to a quieter area.

There are cubby pods in the fenced playground that can be a calm and quiet place for me to take a break.





When it gets dark, people might hold battery-operated candles while singing Christmas songs.





Some people might sing along to the songs. I can choose to sing along if I want, but I don't have to. If I prefer, I can just listen and enjoy





After a singer has finished, people usually clap their hands to show they enjoyed the performance.

Some people might make a loud happy noise instead, and that's ok. It helps show the performer that people liked their performance.





The Western Foreshore has toilets, including wheelchair accessible toilets.





I might want to download a communication board about the Western Foreshore and Christmas in Mandurah. I can add this to my own device or print out a copy.

A range of communication boards are available to download from the City of Mandurah's website:

[\[Access and Inclusion Resources\]](#)





I might have fun if I go to  
Mandurah's Christmas Carols in the  
Park.



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