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Teach your kids how to split an atom these school holidays

Budding science students and curious mums and dads alike are invited on a free science tour of Australia's only nuclear research reactor these school holidays.

From 3 to 16 July 2010, parents can take their kids on a tour of the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation at Lucas Heights. Visitors get to see one of the world's newest nuclear research reactors, OPAL as well as an array of other great science facilities.

The tours are designed to give scientific novices a better understanding of nuclear science and technology, as well as a rare chance to see scientists at work.

Amongst other things, visitors will find out how the OPAL research reactor produces nuclear medicines and key components in electronics, and how Australian scientists use nuclear techniques to study climate change and the environment.

TOUR DETAILS

Where?

ANSTO is located near Sutherland, 40 minutes from Sydney CBD. Parking onsite is free.

When?

The two and a half hour tours run Monday to Saturday from 3 July 2010 until 16 July 2010 at 9.30am and 12.30pm.

How?

Tours are free to the public and must be pre-booked by calling 02 9717 3111. Visitors are advised to book early to avoid disappointment. Children under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

For more information please contact ANSTO (02) 9717 9208 or 0457 505 438.