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SURVIVE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH ABC'S SUITE OF KIDS PODCASTS

The ABC is excited to offer a suite of new and returning podcasts for kids and families to enjoy together these school holidays.

Reaffirming our commitment to local Australian children's content, the ABC is proud to offer 100+ episodes of on-demand podcasts for children, aged 2-6 and 5-11.

Forget the familiar backseat "Are we there yet?" chorus. The <u>ABC listen</u> and <u>ABC KIDS listen</u> apps showcase podcasts dedicated to entertaining and educating young minds – available anytime, anywhere.

Jump aboard <u>Animal Sound Safari</u> today and take your ears on an around the world adventure.

Join host Lawrence Gunatilaka (ABC ME's *News To Me* and *Project Planet*) as he unpacks weird, wacky and true stories behind how humans and animals have lived together throughout time. Have you ever wondered how dogs become 'man's best friend'? Did you know that roosters make different sounds across the globe? Find out why with *Animal Sound Safari*.

And returning with an all new season is <u>Imagine This</u> – the podcast with big ideas for little ones. Designed especially for pre-schoolers and parents, <u>Imagine This</u> examines the science behind puzzling questions from inquisitive young minds. This season host Brianna Peterson gets stuck into hiccups, bones, spider webs, life on other planets and so much more!

Also back with a brand new season is every kid's favourite ethics podcast, <u>Short & Curly</u>, tackling the curliest questions from schools, homes and playgrounds Australia-wide. With lame jokes and plenty of pantomime, super fun hosts Carl and Molly get to the bottom of doozies like, "Should lollies be banned?" "And what's the point of school uniforms?"

And for a weekly presentation of the latest news stories explained for young children, find *News Time* each Saturday. Featuring real stories from home and abroad with a focus on special events and the natural world, *News Time* invites littlies to engage with the wider world in a safe space, with a lot of fun along the way.

Whether on the road, or in the sky – find the best podcasts and live radio now on the <u>ABC listen</u> app. Or for a dedicated space for pre-schoolers download the <u>ABC KIDS listen</u> app.

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