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Going candy crazy at Taupō District Libraries

Do you think you can find a golden ticket? Just like Charlie Bucket in Roald Dahl's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, local children will be trying hard to find one in Taupō District Libraries these school holidays.

It is going to be a sugar-fuelled, candy-crazy, chocolate spectacular these holidays at the libraries with the theme of "Winter Wonka" - a *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*-inspired holiday programme. Five digital golden tickets have been scattered within Taupō, Turangi and Mangakino libraries for enthusiastic young readers to discover. The catch is, the tickets will only be revealed when a children's book containing one is issued during the holiday period. Five lucky golden ticket recipients will go into a draw to win the grand *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* prize.

The golden ticket competition is one of many running during the school holidays. Children can win themselves sweet treats from Sweet As candy store located in Starlight Arcade, which is sponsoring the school holiday programme.

Another competition sure to prove popular is the "Sweet As" lolly jar competition. For this competition, children may guess how many lollies are contained inside a huge jar on display at the Taupō Library counter. Every time a child checks out a book during the school holiday period or attends an activity at the Taupō Library or Museum, they get a chance to enter.

On the final Friday of the holidays, children can get creative with a lolly-making competition, which will be judged by a member of the Sweet As staff. All prizes on offer for the school holiday programme will be displayed in the Sweet As store window. Register children for this at Taupō Library.

At the museum, children can test their knowledge with Mike Teevee's Museum Quiz, make unique hot chocolate, go on a gobstopper hunt and dress up for the Wonka-Vision Photo Booth.

Full timetables for the school holiday programmes can be downloaded from www.taupo.govt.nz.

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