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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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'Strong Community Connections'

Colyton, Erskine Park, North St Marys, St Clair, Werrington and surrounding areas

As things begin to return to normal Community Junction is still offering a support package to vulnerable families who are Covid positive, isolating due to Covid or experiencing vulnerability due to the pandemic. If we can help please contact TeRina on 9673 6133 / 0415 655 586, and leave a message. Calls are returned within 24 hours. We would like to thank you for your patience and continued support during the restrictions and close downs. We cant wait to see you all back at the centres. This newsletter outlines some of the new and regular programs planned for the rest of Term 1. For a full list of 'What's Happening' at our centres, term calendars can be found on our website www.communityjunction.org.au



CHILDREN SERVICES - PRESCHOOL AND OOSH

Term 1 has began with a focus on building secure attachments with children, families and the community. We are renewing our service philosophy with children and family voices, we have welcomed families back into the service foyer for drop off and pick up procedures, and have engaged with a local fruit and vegetable service to cater for our daily Munch and Move program! We are very excited about the return of educator Michelle who will be working across OOSH and Preschool services for 2022.



OUTREACH CHILDREN SERVICES

Outreach children's services welcomed children and their families for a reconnect group at the end of 2021 for our Learn Play Grow Groups. It was lovely to have so many families attend and join in the games and craft activities. Outreach groups are slowly starting back up in 2022 and we are looking forward to groups recommencing this term and working within the community to support families and their children .



AUTUMNLEAF NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE ST CLAIR

Cnr Autumnleaf Pde & Timesweep Dr St Clair
For more information please contact Naomi 9834 2708
0415 383 884 or naomis@communityjunction.org.au

PARENTS HUB

Parents Hub is a free young parents group that gives participants the chance to socialise with other parents, as well as connect with services of their choice. FREE childcare will be provided by qualified childcare workers, and Parents Hub will be held on Wednesdays 9:30am - 11:00am during the school term

SENIOR MEN'S SOCIAL—SMS

Are you a senior man in the St Clair area looking to connect and socialise with others? SMS is a free group that will give you the opportunity to chat and connect with others over a coffee or game. The group will run on Mondays 10:30am - 11:30am

ESL (English as a Second Language)

A free group that offers one-on-one help with the development of English skills. ESL is bookings only and runs on Mondays and Wednesdays.



LEARNING LOUNGE

Learning lounge is a free homework help program for primary and high school students. Learning Lounge runs on a Tuesday afternoon from 3:00pm - 5:30pm, bookings essential. Laptops and Wi-Fi available if needed.

COLYTON NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

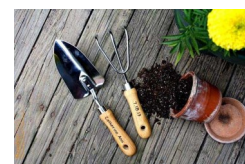
Cnr Jensen and Willoughby St's Colyton
For more information please contact Jane 9188 9065 or
jane@communityjunction.org.au

LEARN PLAY GROW

LPG is for parents and carers of children aged 0 - 5 years. It is a great way to make friends in your local area and keep your young ones active and learning throughout the morning. The group runs Mondays throughout the term from 9:30am - 11:30am. A FREE healthy morning tea is provided for children. Please bring a hat for outdoor play.

'GO GARDENING' ONLINE COURSE

Go Gardening is a free 6 weeks beginner gardening online course where you will learn to plan and start your own vegetable garden or build on your current skills and knowledge with Kate from TAFE NSW. This course will commence Wednesday 6th March 2022 from 10:00am - 12:00pm.



SENIORS LIVING WELL COLYTON

Seniors Living Well Group will be returning Thursday 3rd March 2022 from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Seniors Living Well is a great way to regularly connect with like-minded people to enjoy social activities within the local area. Cost: \$5.00 and Free Transport can be provided in the Colyton, St Clair and Erskine Park area.

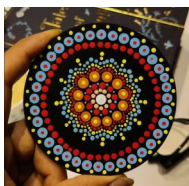
NORTH ST MARYS NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Cnr Debrincat Ave & Oleander Rd Nth St Marys

For more information please contact Kim on 9673 3908 / 0406 528 331 or kim@communityjunction.org.au

MANDELA ART WELL BEING WORKSHOP

Learning to tap into your creativity can benefit your wellbeing by reducing feelings of depression, anxiety, and stress. Meet new people, have a chat, and take time out to come and learn the creative art of Mandala Dot painting. Our workshops will take place on Mondays 10:30am - 12:30pm. Our facilitator Julie will provide the equipment and skills you need to start on your way in completing amazing art work pieces. Bookings are essential.



COMMUNITY MOSAIC

Try your hand at design and mosaic with a community artist. Together you will design and create a vibrant community mosaic. Register your interest now!

ARTHUR NEAVE MEMORIAL HALL WERRINGTON

43 Parkes Rd Werrington

For more information please contact TeRina on 9673 6133, 0415 655 586 or terina@communityjunction.org.au

EMPLOYMENT SKILLS

A TAFE course building interview, resume and employability skills for creating a career or returning back to the workforce. The course will run on Monday from 28th February - 4th April, 9:30am - 11:30am. Bookings are essential.



LEARN PLAY GROW

A play session for parents with children 0-5 on Tuesday during school terms 9:30am - 11:30am.

CLOTHES TO CONQUER

We provide FREE corporate clothing to people experiencing disadvantage who are attending job interviews or court cases. Bookings are essential.

COMMUNITY PANTRY



A food support service providing small amounts of food necessities for community members in need. Support provided upon appointment. Donations accepted, please call before dropping items off.

CRAFT AT HEART

Bring along your craft and have a chat 10:30am - 12:30pm every Thursday during the school term.

FREE SENIORS WEEK EVENT

A Free Seniors Week event will be held at Erskine Park Community Hall on 30th March 10:00am - 1:00pm. Entertainment, activities and morning tea provided. Places are limited. For bookings please call Naomi on 9834 2708, 0415 383 884 or email naomis@communityjunction.org.au



YOUTH SPACES - PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

ST CLAIR YOUTH CENTRE

97A Cook Pde St Clair

For more information please contact Naomi on 9834 2708, 0415 383 884 or email naomis@communityjunction.org.au

St Clair Youth Space is opening again for Term 1. We are very excited to see everyone and have an exciting term planned. We are going to have fun with Food-Hack Mondays and plenty of games and laughter on Wednesdays. Our youth space is open for anyone 12-18 years old on Monday and Wednesdays from 3:00pm - 6:00pm.



NORTH ST MARYS YOUTH SPACE

Cnr Debrincat Ave & Oleander Rd Nth St Marys

We are excited to announce that North St Marys Youth Space will recommence on Wednesday March 2nd 2022. We will be open Wednesdays 3pm-5pm during the school term and will have plenty of fun and exciting activities on offer including sport, art, cooking, and much more.

COLYTON YOUTH SPACE

Cnr Jensen and Willoughby St's Colyton

Colyton Youth Space will be relaunching on Tuesday 1st March. Join us as we kick-off our first program for the year with a wide range of activities for all to get involved in. Colyton Youth Space is located in the neighbourhood centre and operates Tuesday afternoons 3pm to 5pm during the school term

ERSKINE PARK YOUTH SPACE

57 Peppertree Drive Erskine Park

Our Erskine Park Youth Space will reopen on Friday March 4th 2022. We will have a series of awesome activities throughout the term including chocolate making, art workshops, team



challenge days and much more. Erskine Park Youth Space will be open Friday afternoons 3:00pm - 5:00pm during the school term and is located at Erskine Park Community Centre.

For more information regarding Nth St Marys, Colyton and Erskine Park Youth Spaces please contact Brendan on 9673 3908 or brendan@communityjunction.org.au

WERRINGTON YOUTH CENTRE

Cottage St Werrington

For more information please contact Danielle on 9673 6133, 0452 481 646 or email danielle@communityjunction.org.au

We are looking forward to reopening Werrington Youth Space. We will be open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00pm - 6:00pm. Come along and join in on some basketball, volleyball, pool, PS4 and lots more! We are also running a 'Healthy Snacks on the Go' cooking program on Mondays until the end of the term. We look forward to seeing old and new faces!