

Term 1 Week 8 - 2025

WEEK 1	JAN 27 – JAN 31	
VVLLKI	MONDAY	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	TUESDAY	TEACHERS RETURN – PUPIL FREE DAY
	WEDNESDAY	GETTING TO KNOW YOU INTERVIEWS – P-6 (Bookings via Compass)
	THURSDAY	GETTING TO KNOW YOU INTERVIEWS – P-6 (Bookings via Compass)
	FRIDAY	1st HALF PREP COMMENCE (10 am) GRADE 1-6 RETURN TO SCHOOL
WEEK 2	FEB 3 – FEB 7	1 HALI THEI COMMENCE (10 am) GRADE 1-0 RETORIN TO SCHOOL
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY - 2 nd HALF PREP COMMENCE (10 am)
	WEDNESDAY	PREP LITERACY ASSESSMENTS COMMENCE (Bookings via Compass)
WEEK 3	FEB 10 – FEB 14	The circuact Assessively Scottine (bookings via compass)
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WEEK 4	FEB 17 – FEB 21	THE EFFERNCE FISSESSIVE ITTS (BOOKINGS VIA COMPASS)
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY
	WEDNESDAY	2025 STUDENT LEADERSHIP GROUP PHOTOS
	WEB11235711	PREP LITERACY ASSESSMENTS (Bookings via Compass)
	FRIDAY	BMPS SWIMMING TRIALS AT BACCHUS MARSH POOL
WEEK 5	FEB 24 – FEB 28	
	WEDNESDAY	PARENT CYBER SAFETY INFORMATION EVENT
		PREP LITERACY ASSESSMENTS (Bookings via Compass)
	THURSDAY - FRIDAY	SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR AT BMPS 8.15-8.45 & 3.00 – 3.45
WEEK 6	MAR 3 – MAR 7	
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY
	TUESDAY	BMPSSA DISTRICT SWIMMING
	FRIDAY	PUPIL FREE DAY
WEEK 7	MAR 10 – MAR 14	
	MONDAY	LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	TUESDAY	WESTERN RANGES SWIMMING AT MELTON WAVES
		PREP PARENT & CARER INFORMATION SESSION CONFIRMED-2.30pm
	WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY	NAPLAN YEAR 3 and 5
WEEK 8	MAR 17 – MAR 21	
	MONDAY	ASSEMBLY
	FRIDAY	HARMONY DAY
WEEK 9	MAR 24 – MAR 28	
	FRIDAY	SENIOR SPORTS DAY
WEEK 10	MAR 31 – APR 4	FINAL WEEK OF TERM
	FRIDAY	LAST DAY OF TERM – Easter Hat Parade – Easter Raffle Draw (RCH
		Fundraiser TBC by our Student Voice team) 2.30 pm dismissal

NAPLAN WEEK

Well done to all of our Year 3 and 5 students and staff during nation-wide NAPLAN Week last week.



Catch – up opportunities will take place on the following times this week.

Monday 9.30am – Writing

Tuesday 9.30am – Reading and 11.30am – Conventions of Language

Thursday 9.30am – Numeracy



IT'S HARMONY WEEK and 'We All Belong'



In 2025 we invite our families to get involved and respond to...

Where in the World is your family from?

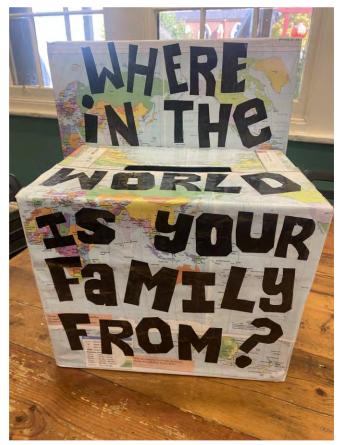
Our students will be physically placing a marker on our world map and having opportunities to speak about their countries of origin across the week.

FAMILY ACTIVITY

 Thank-you for writing a paragraph or two, sharing a fact, or sending us a recipe, favourite cultural game or celebration, that tells us about your background or culture.

We also invite all families to ask questions about other cultures that we will share answers to across the week

 Thank-you for including your name and placing your pieces and questions in the 'Where in the World' box at the office.





PREP PARENT AND CARER INFORMATION SESSION – TUESDAY



Thank you for your understanding in having to postpone our session due to the power outage last Tuesday. We look forward to seeing our Prep Parents and Carers, **Tuesday, March 18 at 2.30 pm for our next information session**.

Now that our students are settling into school life and you have better context, the time is right to discuss learning routines and answer questions specific to all of their needs.

We again hope that this time will work well, just before pick-up.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION AND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS.

Thank you most sincerely to the parents that ensured their nominations or self-nomination were handed to our office by 4pm last Friday March 14.

Our results and 2025 School Council will be communicated as soon as possible.

BMPS SENIOR SPORTS DAY - FRIDAY MARCH 28

<u>Senior Athletics Sports for Grades 3 – 6</u> will be held on Friday 28th March at Masons Lane, beginning promptly at 9:00am and concluding around 2:45pm. Students return to school and are dismissed from school as normal. Any students leaving early need to be signed out at the sports.

At these sports, all children will be involved in a standardised athletics competition, where they earn points individually and for their house. Children are encouraged to wear their **house colours**.

Children will need to bring along their lunch, drink, and hat. We suggest wearing sunscreen as we'll be outside all day. Canteen lunches are available on this day. These will need to be placed in tubs as soon as the morning bell rings. The canteen will deliver tubs to Mason's Lane in time for the lunch break.

- Please note that the 800m events will be held at lunchtime prior to sports day. They are currently scheduled for Monday 24th March, subject to weather and availability of the track.
- 200m trials to qualify for sports day will be on Wednesday 20th March.
- Relay trials on Friday 21st March.

(all dates are subject to weather conditions and may be changed if required).

WESTERN RANGES DIVISION SWIMMING

Last Tuesday, six of our fastest swimmers attending the Division Swimming Carnival at Melton Waves to test their skills against the best from the Macedon Ranges, Melton and Bacchus Marsh areas. It was another hot day, with temperatures around 30 degrees. There was some super-fast swimming, and a number of Division records were broken on the day.

Placing for BMPS were:

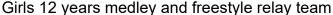
Violet Sekoa – 2nd Freestyle, 2nd Butterfly Leah Morgan – 2nd Breaststroke, 2nd Backstroke Our girls 12 years relay team was 2nd in the medley and freestyle relays. Lots of 2nd places!!

Congratulations to Violet and Leah who progress to the Western Metro Regional Champs in Geelong on Tuesday 1st April.

Super effort by Amaya, Courtney, Nate and Vera to make it this far in 2025.

Dave Champness
PE & Sports Coordinator

BELOW L-R Violet, Leah, Amaya and Courtney:







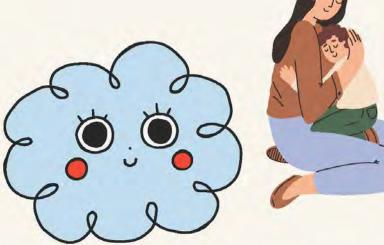
BMPS Workshop



Enjoyed and appreciated by all parents who came along in 2023 and 2024

BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS

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Bringing Up Great Kids (BUGK) is set of activities and tools that are unique and offer you a fresh way to understand and develop your relationship with your children. It focuses on building positive and nurturing relationships, helping you to further understand the needs of your children and apply effective solutions to meet them.

The program is delivered over 4 sessions at BMPS by trained facilitators. Sessions run for 2 hours.

There is no cost involved to attend the program.

Fill in the link below https://forms.gle/FQCjzQZfLCBj1fM46





SCHOOL PHOTOS

We take this opportunity to thank 'Kids In Living Colour' very much for photographing our students over the last few years. In 2025 The School Photographer will take over this huge responsibility and parents and carers can visit the website as per the below flyer and place orders anytime.



We respectfully **acknowledge** that the land on which we teach, learn and play was never ceded and we pay respect to the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people and all elders past, present and those emerging in our school and wider community.

Moorabool Young Writers' Award 2025

Short story writing competition for Moorabool students aged 5 to 18

The theme for this year's Primary School category is 'Write where you are.'

Your story begins, involves or ends right where you are, right here, right now, in this exact place where anything is possible!

- > Entrants in the Prep to 2 category will need to complete a picture prompt involving a map.
- > Entrants in Years 3 to 12 will need to write a Moorabool place/location/landmark into their story (up to 1000 words).

Each child may enter one story and entry is free. All entries must be typed, and will be judged blind, so please no names - just be sure to attach the entry form from your child's classroom teacher.

BMPS students can hand in completed entries to their classroom teacher before Thursday 24th April and I will submit them to Lerderderg Library.

Please see the attached flyer for more details or send me an email with any questions:

hayley.bonnici@education.vic.gov.au

Entries open Monday 10th March 2025 Entries close Monday 28th April 2025



Upcoming Events

Classroom Helpers Workshop

Classroom helpers are invaluable at BMPS so we'd love to see you at our upcoming training!

Monday 24th February 9-10am The House (next to Art room)

Please register your interest at the office or email hayley.bonnici@education.vic.gov.au



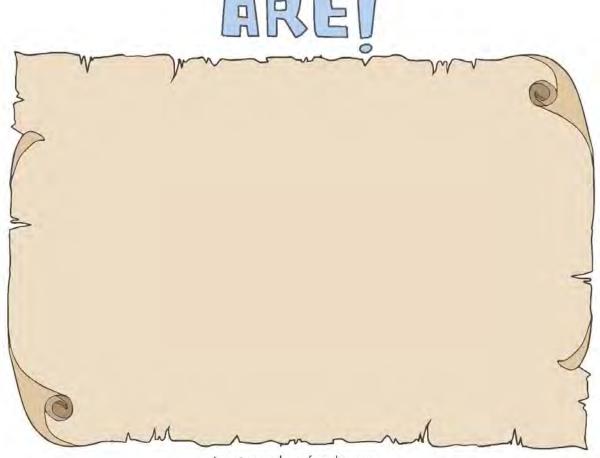
Fun fact:

If a child reads for 10 minutes a day, that adds up to 3,650 minutes of reading over a year.
That's about 60 hours of reading time!

2025 Competition Prompts

Moorabool Young Writers' Awards 2025 Prep to Grade 2 Picture Prompt

WRITE WHERE YOU



Imagine you have found a map.

Draw what is on the map OR write a short story about where your map leads to





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Entries Open: Monday 10 March 2025 at 8.30am Entries close: Monday 28 April 2025 at 5pm

Prep to Grade 2 - Complete the picture prompt - MAP.

Grades 3 to 6 - Short Story up to 1000 words*
Years 7 to 12 - Short Story up to 3000 words*
*Write a Moorabool place/location/landmark into
your story.









ALWAYS REACH OUT

 Thank you to the parents and carers who are reaching out to their child's classroom teacher or any of our staff below if we can assist in any way.

Melinda Williams – Principal Leanne Holt – Business Manager

Wellbeing:

Daniel Morris - Assistant Principal - Wellbeing & Engagement / Disability Inclusion **Liz Stonka** – Leading Teacher – Daily Organisation /Student Medical Health & Wellbeing

Tiff O'Brien - Learning Specialist - Inclusion – Trauma Informed Practice / Art-Therapy

Bec Blokland - Disability Inclusion - Profile Facilitator

Belinda Horne - Wellbeing Educator

Sharon Cartledge - Inclusion Coach working across Darley PS, Pentland PS, & BMC

Literacy and Numeracy:

Bec Conroy - Leading Teacher – Curriculum / Teaching and Learning Hayley Bonnici - Learning Specialist / Literacy Kelly Watson – Numeracy Leader – Learning Specialist Damian Richards Gr 5 & 6 & Janaya Walker Gr 3 & 4 - Numeracy - Learning Specialists

Best wishes for a great Week 8 from the BMPS staff...



WE WANT YOU! JUNIOR NETBALLERS

SEEKING GIRLS TO JOIN THE COBRAS IN 2025.

Come and join the
Bacchus Marsh Football & Netball
Club

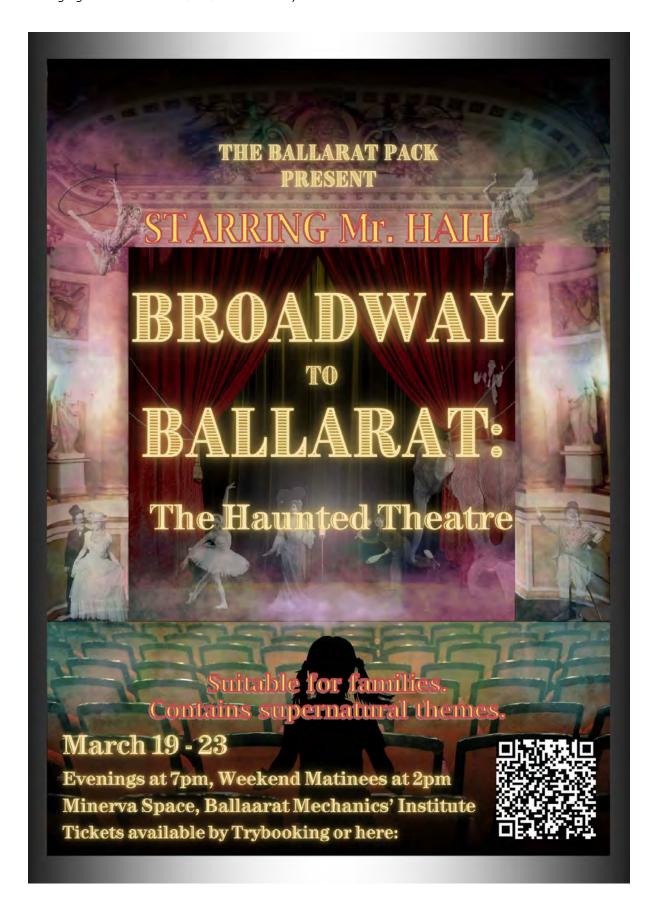
We are seeking players for our Under 11 (girls & boys) team and our 13 teams!

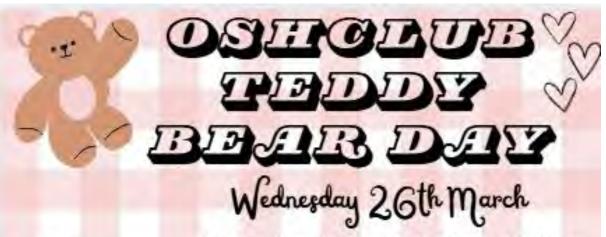
Enquiries or more info contact:

Meaghan Nixon: 0418 140 925

mnixon@bmfnc.com.au







Activities

- teddy bear picnic
- teddy hide and seek
- mask making

Bring your favourite teddy for a day of fun, perfect for new children and easing into the school year at OSHC! This event is all about creating a special moment during the busy start of the school year, welcoming new preps and children of all ages into the service to enjoy fun activities alongside the toy that brings them the most comfort.

Enjoy a teddy bear picnic (afternoon tea), exciting activities, and make new friends. At the end of the day, take home a special "First Day of OSHC" certificate for your fluffy companion to celebrate this milestone



Special Teddy Snacks





Women's Seasonal Mini Retreats 2025



Step into the rhythm of the seasons with our 4-hour Women's Seasonal Mini Retreats! These thoughtfully designed retreats are your chance to nurture your mind, body, and spirit through activities like coaching, journaling, meditation, craft, and more—each retreat refreshed with unique, seasonal touches. Enjoy a welcoming atmosphere with delicious food, drinks, and a curated gift bag to take home. Whether it's spring renewal or autumn reflection, these retreats provide a space to slow down, reconnect with yourself, and celebrate your personal growth with a community of like-minded women.



Special Offer:

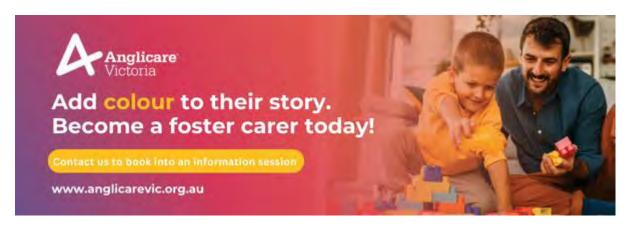
Book all 4 retreats before March and save! Plus a BONUS

 Unleash Your Potential; A year of purposeful planning journal and pen \$388 plus bonus valued at \$45 ONLY \$350, savings of \$83



Payment plans available

Message me at www.inspiringpotentiallife.com to secure your spot. I can't wait to welcome you!



ENROL NOW 2025

OUR SERVICE

To provide children with a holistic environment enriched with opportunities which can freely explore and be guided by their own interests and abilities. Through the delivery of our educational program, we strive to provide children with a strong and balanced foundation to approach all future endeavours with confidence and Resilience.





Maddingley Montessori

Stand Tall, Happy & Proud

Kindergarten & Long Day Care

3 & 4 Year OLD FUNDED KINDERGARTEN

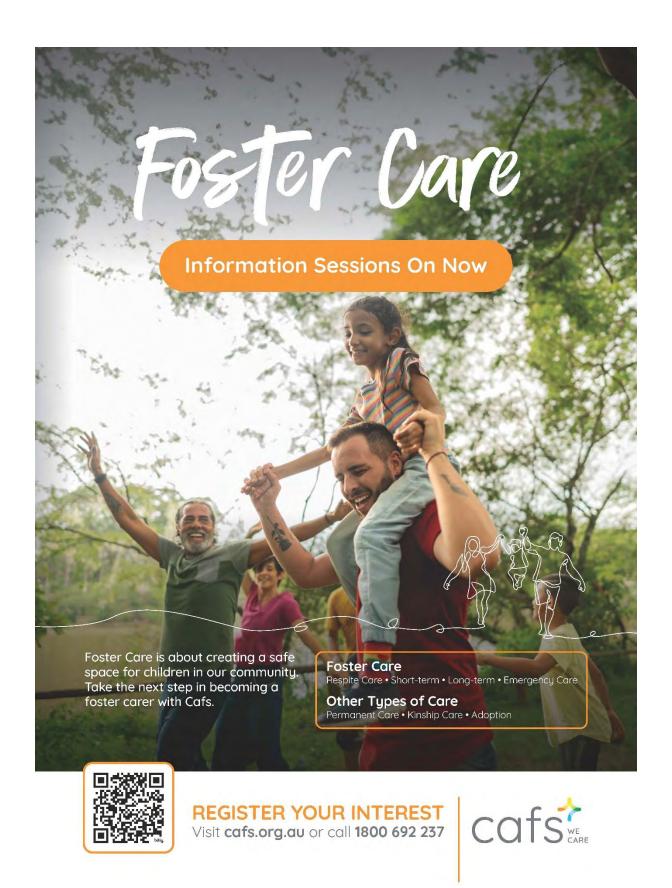
Our program is available five days a week, with flexible session options designed to accommodate your family's schedule. Our Kinder program operates year-round for 50 weeks, ensuring consistent care and learning. We also provide nutritious meals daily, so you can leave the meals to us - giving you one less thing to worry about.

AGE GROUPS

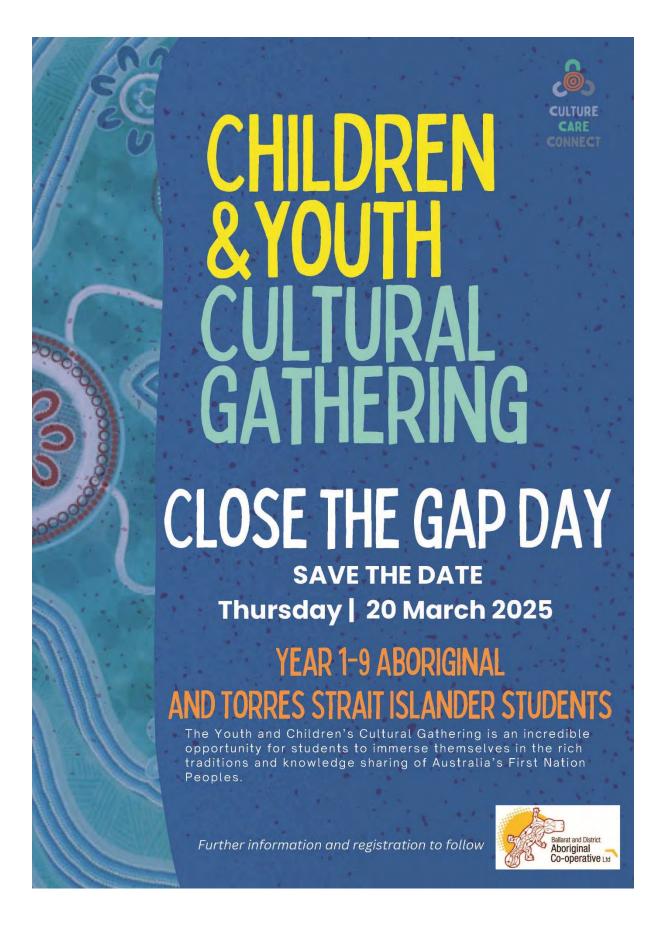
Nest - 12 months to 20 months Burrow - 20 months to 30 months Adventurers - 30 months to 3 yrs Discoverers - 3 to 5 yrs Explorers - 3 to 5 yrs

CONTACT US TO BOOK A TOUR OR FOR MORE INFORMATION

8547 9585 admin@maddingleymontessori.com.au







STUDENTS OR FAMILIES interested in either of the following First Nations Artist opportunities, please feel free to deliver to our main office prior to the closing dates and we will ensure your entries are delivered to 403 Main Road Ballarat.





THE NEXT GENERATION

YOUTH NAIDOC POSTER COMPETITION

AGES - 5 - 17

Please come up with your own design that represents this years NAIDOC Theme.
Closing date Thursday 15th of May.

Artworks to be delivered to 403

Main Rd Golden point









Stories for well-being/ mental health - Bring your own picnic rug for your family/people - Hear a story and after choose from materials craft or play to make/explore anything you like together. Connect, be you and curiosity.

Alfredton Must Adult supervision at all times 15th feb, 1st march and 15 march 8.30-9.30 am





Phone for more details -0459777046

\$25 per family





Calisthenics is a unique combination of dancing, singing, gymnastics and technical skills for children to adults.

Calisthenics develops strong, confident performers through teamwork in a fun and friendly club environment, where families connect and performers develop skills and friendships that last a lifetime.





Tots & Tinies (3 - 7 Years)

Saturday 9 – 11am

Sub Juniors (8 - 10 Years) Wednesday 4.30 - 7pm

Juniors (11 - 13 Years) Monday 4.30 - 7.30pm

Intermediates (14 - 17 Years) Tuesday 5.30 - 8.30pm Seniors (18 Years+)

Thursday 6.30 - 9.30pm

Masters (26 Years+)

Wednesday 7 - 9.30pm

CaliFit (26 Years+)
A recreational program that
promotes movement and
socialising in a supportive,
inclusive space.

Monday 10.30am - 12pm

Contact Us

admin@pentlandcalisthenics.com.au www.pentlandcalisthenics.com.au CLASSES START 1ST FEBRUARY AT OUR MADDINGLEY STUDIO

* For new participants



Aussie Hoops Program

This program is a fantastic introduction to basketball for young children and a great way for them to build skills and confidence in a fun environment.

The program is aimed at new participants aged 5 to 9. Follow the link below to register your child:

https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/org/bacchus-marsh-basketball-association/6663f749/register

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Discover Your Inner Hero;

Building Confidence and Resilience

Unlock your child's potential with 'Discover Your Inner Hero," a specialised life coaching and hypnosis service for kids aged 8-12. Our tailored packages empower children on a transformative journey of self-discovery, fostering confidence, resilience and essential life skills. personalised coaching, we help understand their strengths, overcome challenges, and achieve meaningful goals.

Our supportive approach addresses issues such as;

- Anxiety
- Build resilience and confidence
- Improved self-talk
- Understand emotions Effective learning
- strategies





Empowering Young Minds;

Navigating Life with Courage

Embark on a transformative journey with 'Empowering Young Minds,' a specialised life coaching and hypnosis service for adolescents aged 12-18. Our tailored packages guide teens through a supportive process of self-discovery, instilling courage to navigate life's complexities. We focus on uncovering their strengths, overcoming challenges and acquiring essential life skills to achieve meaningful goals.

Our supportive approach addresses issues such as;

- Anxiety
- Build resilience and confidence
- Improved self-talk
- Improve social skills
- Understand emotions
- Effective learning strategies
- Navigating career paths and
- planning And much more



Empower Her Monthly Women's Circle

Are you ready to dive into a space of support, understanding and connection? Join us for our upcoming Women's Circle where we come together to share, empower and uplift one another.



Where: Daley Neighbourhood House

Date: Friday 26th July

Friday 30th Aug

Friday 27th Sept

Time: 7 pm- 8.30 pm \$20 PP, per session





Other Services:

- · Women's Coaching
- Hypnosis
- · Relationships Coaching
- · Parents Coaching
- Kids Coaching
- DISC Profiling
- · Leadership Coaching
- High Performing Teams



Therapy Dog Service

To find out more contact us by visiting our website.

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- Understanding themselves and others
- · Improve Social Skills
- · Improve Learning
- · Build resilience and confidence
- · Improved self-talk
- · Understand emotions
- · Effective learning strategies
- Anxiety
- · And much more



Through Hypnosis;

- · Bed Wetting
- Weight Loss
- Sugar
- Thumb Sucking
- Conduct at Home
- Conduct at School
- Improving Grades
- Improving Reading
- Surviving a DivorceSchool Illness
- Stop Stuttering
- Stop Nightmares
- · Move Quicker
- Stress
- · Stop Lying
- · Stop Stealing
- Test Anxiety
- Don't start smoking/vaping
- Sleeping Habits
- Hyperactivity



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