







Williamstown  
Community  
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Centre Inc


# Newsletter December 2020

## Joan Kirner House and Spotswood Community House For Members, Committee, Staff, Volunteers, Students, Parents, Stakeholders, Centre users, Partners, Sponsors and Our Community

### Coming Up...

Now that we are out of lockdown, several programs are planning to restart -

- **Willy Walking Group** every Wednesday from 10.15am to 11.00am at Joan Kirner House. Contact Tahlia for details on 9397 6168.
- **Willy Wargaming** every Friday night fortnightly from 5.00pm to 9.00pm at Joan Kirner House. For more details contact Matthew on 0438 054 740. 
- **Sunrise Yoga** every Thursday morning from 7.00am to 8.00am at Joan Kirner House. For details contact Ron on 0411 723 669.
- **Australian Boating College** (Powerboat and Jet ski licences) at both Joan Kirner House and Spotswood Community House. Call Daniel on 0408 369 664 for more details. Website - [abcboating.com](http://abcboating.com) 
- **Plus Yoga - Yoga For All Bodies** on Saturday mornings at Spotswood Community House. Commencing early 2021. For details contact Nina on 0418 175 744.
- **Zonta Club of Melbourne's West**, once a month at Joan Kirner House on Tuesday evenings, starting early 2021. Call Faye on 0411 607 995 for more details. Website - [www.zontamelbwest.org.au](http://www.zontamelbwest.org.au) 
- **French Club for Kids** on Wednesday afternoons at Joan Kirner House. Starting early February 2021. All prep to grade six children welcome. Call Jim on 0432 719 034 for details.
- **Adam Turnbull Acting** starting early 2021 on a Thursday afternoon at Joan Kirner House. Call Adam on 0419 593 257 for more details. 

**Art Therapy** at Joan Kirner House has also recommenced, and more programs are booked in for early 2021 including **Odyssey House** counselling, **IPC Health**, **Music Lessons**, **Wu Tau Dance**, and others. 

Our updated brochure for the remainder of 2020 is on our website [HERE](#).

Our timetable for the remainder of 2020 is [HERE](#).

## **End of year get together**

All invited! Friday December 18, Midday.

Via Zoom. Log in [HERE](#)



## **Rebuilding Post Pandemic**

As part of our 'Rebuilding Post Pandemic' initiative we are introducing this 'Neighbourhood Connect' project. FREE and all welcome!

### **LET'S GET NEIGHBOURLY!**



#### **Imagine this....**

Every street across the community has a local neighbour group, that helps build relationships, provide support, plan and run fun activities, share resources and help people feel like they belong.

### **Become a Community Connector**

**BE A PART OF THIS EXCITING PROJECT AND YOU CAN HELP BUILD THIS VISION FOR A MORE CONNECTED COMMUNITY.**

Participants will be given **FREE** individual mentoring, plus skill and confidence building group workshops to bring your neighbours together for a fun and relaxed gathering and support to create an ongoing Neighbour Group.

**About you...If you are welcoming, like to organise or lead, enjoy bringing people together and want to be a part of a more connected community - we would love to hear from you!**

A choice of day and evening workshops will be held in February and March at Joan Kirner House, 14 Thompson St, Williamstown.

**LIMITED PLACES!  
REGISTER YOUR INTEREST AT**

Email: [hello@neighbourhoodconnect.org.au](mailto:hello@neighbourhoodconnect.org.au)  
or call Irene 0413 706 233.  
[www.neighbourhoodconnect.org.au](http://www.neighbourhoodconnect.org.au)

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## 2020 Celebration Zoom Dance!

**THE MUST SEE of 2020!** - All the action and funky dance moves on the YouTube video [HERE](#).

Thanks to Jodie Whitehurst and Sally Smith for all their work with this creative online initiative.





## **COVID Safe AI fresco Classes**



## **Willy Walking Group Re Starts!**

Every Wednesday 10.15am to 11.00am.

Call Tahlia at reception for details – 9397 6168.





# HOBSONS BAY COMMUNITY HAS HEART

#hobsonsbayhasheart

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Hobsons Bay  
Libraries

## Hobsons Bay Festive Food and Toy Drive

Wednesday 4 November to Friday 11 December 2020

It is more important than ever to support those in the Hobsons Bay community who are struggling the most.

The Festive Food and Toy Drive is your chance to end 2020 on a positive note by donating non-perishable food (clearly labeled and packed) and new toys to local families needing extra support this festive season.

Donated food will go to local emergency relief providers and donated toys will go to West Welcome Wagon. For more information, visit:

**libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au**

or phone **1300 462 542**.

### Accepted Goods

**Food:** Non perishable items with expiry dates of 2021 or beyond.

**Toys:** New and unwrapped presents.

### Donation Points

- Any Hobsons Bay Libraries branch
- South Kingsville Community Centre
- Laverton Children's Centre
- Louis Joel Arts & Community Centre
- Latitude Directions for Young People
- Newport Outlets Co-operative Neighbourhood House Ltd & Newport Community Education Centre
- Newport Community Hub

**Due to COVID-19, check with each donation point for drop-off times. Visit [libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au](https://libraries.hobsonsbay.vic.gov.au) for more information.**



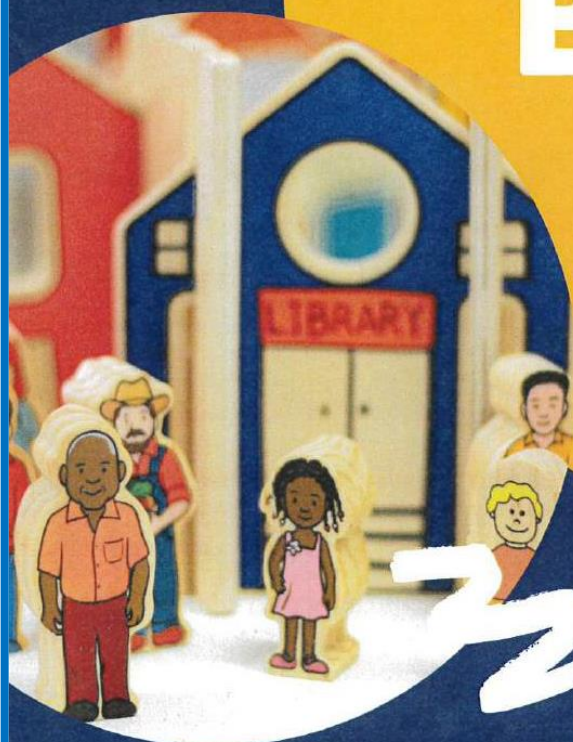


Sign up now and for a limited time your membership will be extended for free!



# BOOK & BROWSE

Book an appointment & then browse toys to borrow from the full collection



**REOPENING SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 14TH**

Newport & Laverton  
By Appointment Only

For full details visit:  
[www.HobsonsBayToyLibrary.org.au/BookandBrowse](http://www.HobsonsBayToyLibrary.org.au/BookandBrowse)



## Term dates and Public Holidays for 2021



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# 2021 WCEC Term Dates and Public Holidays

### Term Dates

Term 1:	Monday 1 February to	Thursday 1 April	(9 Weeks)
Term 2:	Monday 19 April to	Friday 25 June	(10 Weeks)
Term 3:	Monday 12 July to	Friday 17 September	(10 Weeks)
Term 4:	Monday 4 October to	Friday 17 December	(11 Weeks)

### Public Holidays and School Term Breaks

Break	New Year's Day	Friday 1 January
	Australia Day	Tuesday 26 January
Term 1	Labour Day	Monday 8 March
Term 1 Break	Term 1 School Holidays	Fri 2 April to Sun 18 April
	Good Friday	Friday 2 April
	Sat before Easter Sun	Saturday 3 April
	Easter Sunday	Sunday 4 April
	Easter Monday	Monday 5 April
Term 2	ANZAC Day	Sunday 25 April
	Queen's Birthday	Monday 14 June
Term 2 Break	Term 2 School Holidays	Mon 28 June to Fri 9 July
Term 3 Break	Term 3 School Holidays	Mon 20 September to Fri 1 October
	AFL Grand Final Holiday	Friday 24 September (TBC)
Term 4	Melbourne Cup	Tuesday 2 November
Term 4 Break	Term 4 School Holidays	Mon 20 December to Fri 28 January
	Christmas Day	Saturday 25 December
	Boxing Day	Sunday 26 December
	Christmas Day (in lieu)	Monday 27 December
	Boxing Day Holiday (in lieu)	Tuesday 28 December

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## Learn Local Celebration

Thursday December 10 at 10.00am. Register [HERE](#)



## Manager's musings

With restrictions now eased it is great to see many more programs and classes coming back. Teachers and students are also starting to emerge from hibernation. It is great that our Centre now has a new buzz about it.

Of interest is the adaptation of teachers to get online, with mixed mode delivery. Zoom sessions, meetings, classes, and webinars increased from 24 for September, to nearly 60 for November.

**Last day of term four 2020 will be Friday December 18.** Some programs will be running over the Christmas break. We will officially **reopen on Monday February 1, 2021.**

With the Victorian Training Awards, although we were a Finalist, we unfortunately, we did not win.

Congratulations to the winner, the 'Centre for Continuing Education'. See the nominations and presentation session on Facebook [HERE](#).

We are also currently looking for a 'Community Development Coordinator'. Details are [HERE](#).

Many thanks.

Mark.

**Dr Mark Brophy PhD**  
**Manager / CEO**  
**Williamstown Community and Education Centre Inc**

