

ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Clean Up Australia Day
- Senior Years Ultimate (Frisbee)
- Year 7 Reverse Tonal Drawing
- Year 9 Graphic Design

Pictured: Senior years students competed at the VISTA Zone Ultimate (Frisbee) Carnival



DIARY DATES

Please check the parent calendar via our website for any last minute changes to scheduled events.

24/3	Stage 1 Outdoor Education First Aid Course
24/3	Stage 2 Visual & Creative Arts Excursion - SACE Arts Show
24/3	Open Event Morning 9.15am-10.30am (bookings via website)
25/3	National Simultaneous Storytime 'Family Tree'
26/3	Ignite Testing
29/3	SA School Sports - Yr 7-12 Athletics
30/3	Year 8 Immunisations
31/3	SAPSASA Athletics Carnival
7/4	Alpha Show R-6 'King Arthur'
7/4	Stage 1 Outdoor Education Excursion - Anstey Hill

2022 PUPIL FREE DAYS/ SCHOOL CLOSURE:

Term 2	Friday 10 June (Week 6)
Term 3	Monday 25 July (Week 1)
	Friday 2 September (Week 6)
	Monday 5 September (Week 7) - School Closure Day
Term 4	Thursday 15 December (Week 9)

[Click here](#) to view our online calendar

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Student and Staff Absence

We have been managing well with student and staff absence due to COVID over the past several weeks. Up until last week we have only had a handful of staff away and less than 10 students per day.

Last week was the most challenging so far with the number of staff and students away each day doubling.

I am very proud of our staff, everyone present is picking up extra work for programs to run as close to normal as possible. If absences continue to increase we may need to make modifications and cancel activities and excursions that take staff out of school as we won't be able to have enough staff to cover them. So far so good though.

Also a big acknowledgement to our parents, for working with us and our many communications involved with these matters.

Your support with this, as well as keeping your child home when unwell is both essential and appreciated.

2022 Improvement Plan

Towards the end of last year we developed the new School Improvement Plan 2022-2024. It has a continued literacy, numeracy and high achievement focus.

The three goals are:

- High Band Achievement in Reading
- High Band Achievement in Numeracy
- Increasing the percentage of A and B grades at Year 12

We continue to focus on increasing the percentage of children in the high bands in literacy and numeracy by Year 3 and retaining and supporting more students to reach these levels in the years to follow. In the high school years we are looking for higher levels of achievement in subject grades, especially Year 12.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day was held on Friday 11th March. Congratulations to all involved. Although parents weren't physically present there was some live streaming and a fun day was had by all involved. Thank you to the local Lions Club for providing a great barbecue service that was enjoyed by many. Once again, participation, support, encouragement and a great atmosphere was present.

National Day Against Bullying and Violence, and Harmony Week

Each year we revisit our commitment Against Bullying and Violence, and we recognised the National Day to coincide with Harmony Week. A virtual school assembly was held Monday morning to support these initiatives. Monday was a non-uniform fundraising day and students were invited to wear something orange.

Harassment, bullying and violence in all its forms have no place in The Heights School community. Our school affirms the right of all members of the school community to work, learn and play in a safe and secure environment.

Annual Report

The 2021 Annual Report is near complete. You will be able to obtain a copy from the front office and it will be placed on our school website in the near future.

Open Events

Preparations are in place for our Open Evening and Open Morning. We are looking forward to showcasing our school and talking about the improvements in learning being achieved by our students.



Nigel Gill
Principal

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PRESCHOOL TOUR



The Heights School

- > Educating young minds
- > Serving our community
- > Instilling values and embracing our future

Major redevelopments include two architecturally designed buildings incorporating state of the art furniture and equipment in addition to refurbishment of existing learning spaces. These facilities will provide a modern and contemporary learning environment which will inspire innovation and spark curiosity



a program for gifted and talented children

The Heights School has received in excess of **\$13 Million** over the past three years.

Preschool Tour



You are Invited

Are you looking for the best possible start to your child's education in a play based caring environment?

Please join us for a tour of our Preschool with Coordinator Kate Hallam followed by a conversation about your child's first steps into education with Principal Nigel Gill

Wednesday 13 April 2022 from 9.15am to 10.30am



Bookings are essential. Please book online at <http://theheights.sa.edu.au/tour> or contact Dani Dunne 8263 6244

EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS

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YEAR 8 VACCINATIONS AT SCHOOL

Parents and caregivers are reminded that nurses from the TTG Immunisation Clinic will be attending the school on **Wednesday, 30 March** to provide the following scheduled Year 8 vaccinations to participating students:

- Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (dTpa-BOOSTRIX)
- Humans Papilloma Virus (HPV/Gardasil)

Please remind your students to eat breakfast and to wear a short sleeve uniform t-shirt to assist the nurses.

Please contact the Immunisation Clinic on 8397 7444 if there have been any changes to the details previously provided on your Consent Card.

Kellye Rowe

Treatment Room



CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

On Thursday the 10th March we celebrated Clean Up Australia Day. We had our own version called, Clean Up The Heights Day. Students from primary and secondary years combined for a whole school effort to tidy our outdoor areas. After lunch we started in the southern end of the oval and worked our way through the school. It was also a good opportunity to do a mini audit of the areas that gather the most rubbish. We were able to establish 6 key areas that rubbish ends up. This is mainly due to breezeways, rubbish coming off the surrounding streets and plants catching the rubbish. This will help us target certain areas of the school and ensure there is minimal rubbish.

Overall, it was a great way to reinforce the importance of not dropping the rubbish in the first place. Over the last few weeks our students have been working hard to ensure rubbish is not only going in the bins, but also in the correctly labelled bin. The introduction of our Bin Shift system has helped with educating the students about where our rubbish needs to go. We hope that raising awareness about looking after our environment will continue to help keep our school looking neat and tidy for our community. Thank you so much to our SRC team and other student volunteers for helping on the day. Also, another thank you to our staff Aaron Raschella and Emily Cowgill for volunteering their time. The SRC is looking forward to more special events throughout the year!!!

Daniel Brzezinski, Student Wellbeing Leader



YEAR 12 NEWS

The **Chicken Joint**, located in the Woolworths Complex, Brunel Drive, Modbury Heights is offering two complimentary lunch vouchers to Stage 2 students per week. The two vouchers are awarded based on attendance and positive accomplishments.

Successful recipients so far have included:



Liam:

100% attendance



Haris:

100% attendance



Kyla:

Helping to set up the Year 12 kitchen area in the morning



Olivia, Brayden, Natasha:

Volunteering their lunch and recess time to pick up litter from the yard



Congratulations to all of these students. The awards will continue for the rest of the term and successful recipients will be recognised in future newsletters.

Thank you to Chicken Joint for supporting our students and their generous donations.

Please support the businesses that support our school.

Mr Roubanis, Year 12 Leader



YEAR 12 ACHIEVEMENT

This Year 12 is FLYING!

Earlier this term, Jas Dhingra met with a representative from Hartwig Air Flying School and was offered a training flight. His experience is described in the paragraph below.

Mr Roubanis, Year 12 Leader

"We all want to become something in life. Since my childhood I loved watching aircraft flying in the sky like birds. I knew from an early age that I wanted to be a pilot and to achieve this I started exploring my career pathways and attending several information sessions. I was presented with a chance to take a giant step towards my dream. I was offered my first training flight through Aviation Academy. This was amazing opportunity for me to get a real sense of what it was like being in cockpit and being in control of an aircraft. The flight itself was an unforgettable experience, and I'm overjoyed to have had this chance. Hopefully, there will be many more to come in the near future!"



SENIOR YEARS ULTIMATE (FRISBEE)

On Thursday the 17th March, our senior years students competed against other schools at the VISTA Zone Ultimate (Frisbee) Carnival, held on our home turf. Our 2 teams fought hard all day in the blistering sun against teams with many more subs. Despite this they still had many triumphs, with our Year 11/12 team finishing 4th and our Year 10 team finishing 6th.

Unique to Ultimate, the sport is entirely self-refereed at all levels. As both players and officials, our students showed fantastic sportsmanship and respect in all their games. A big congratulations to all.

Stay tuned for the upcoming winter lunchtime Ultimate league.

Sean Davis, Ultimate (Frisbee) Coach



ART TEACHER SUCCESS

Congratulations to Ms Talia Dawson on winning 2nd place for her artwork 'Callistemon Citrinus' at The Gully Arts Show. Ms Dawson is new to The Heights School this year and teaches a range of subjects across Visual Art and Media Art. Keep an eye out for more Arts news from our vibrant Arts Faculty, with more events and shows planned for later in the year.

And don't forget, you too could win a prize just like Ms Dawson. Get busy creating an artwork now for The Heights School's SALA Exhibition 'Colour Your World'. See below for more details.



THE HEIGHTS SCHOOL ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION COMPETITION 2022

COLOUR YOUR WORLD!

Calling all artists! You are invited to create an artwork about something significant in your life; a family pet, a loved one, your favourite place, a fictional character or fantasy landscape. Don't forget to add lots of colour! By submitting your artwork, you will be part of a state-wide art festival involving over 9000 South Australian Living Artists. The exhibition is open to all students, staff and family members.

Important Dates for 2022

Term 3

Week 1	Friday 29th July Entries Due
Week 2	Thursday 4th August Judging
Week 3	Monday 8th August Opening Night
Week 5	Friday 19th August Exhibition closes

If you have any questions about the exhibition please call the school and ask for the art office or leave a message.

Catherine Bourn, Visual Art Teacher



The Heights School Annual Art Exhibition Competition 2022
8th August to 19th August

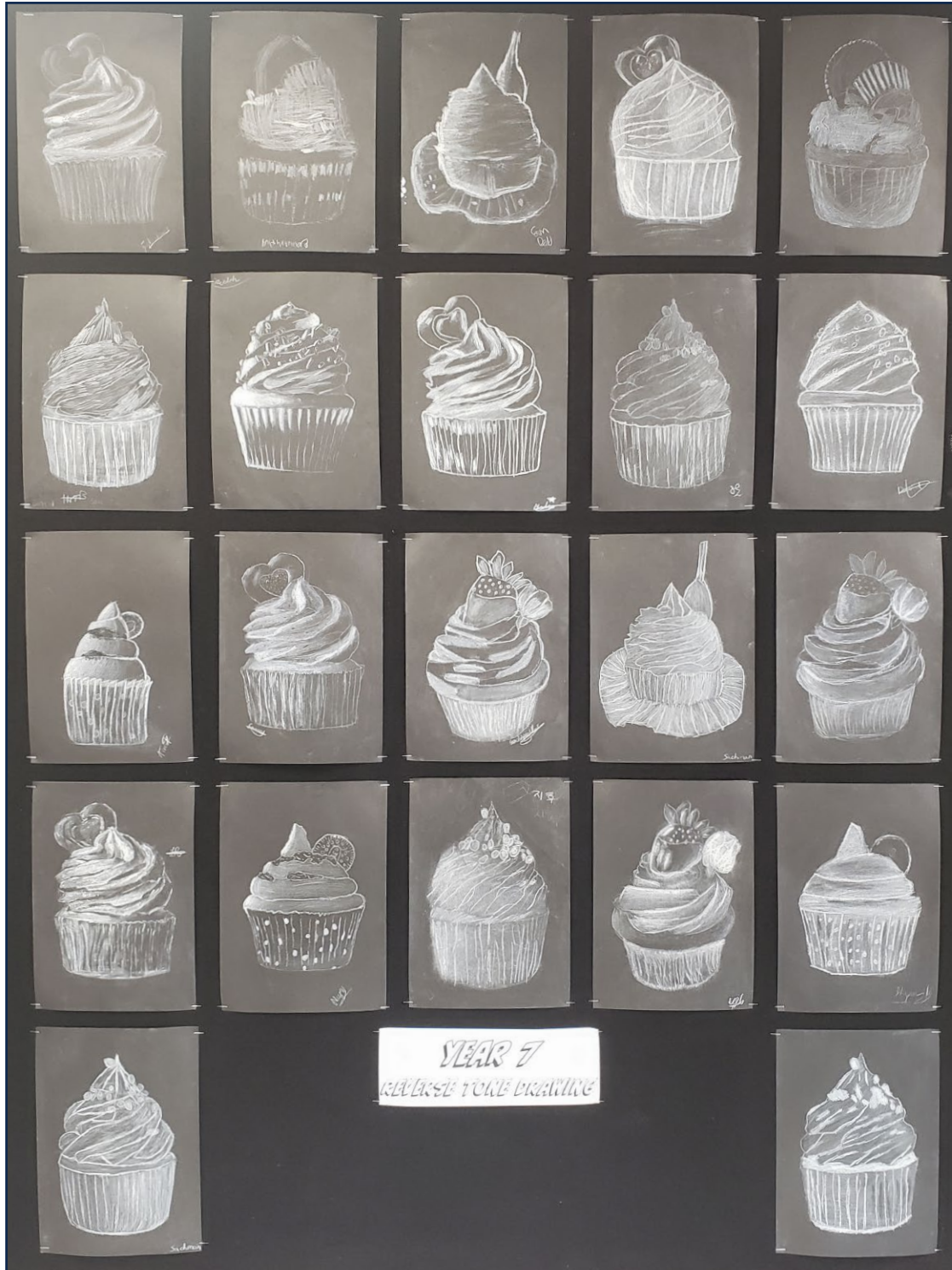
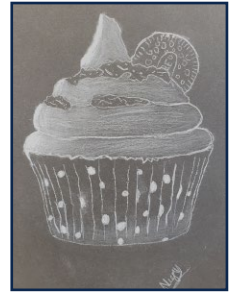
Featured Artwork by Liya Cojuhari, Yr 5

YEAR 7 REVERSE TONAL DRAWING

In Visual Art, 703 have been creating a range of visual artworks surrounding the theme of 'food'. Students have been developing their understandings of line, shape, tone and colour, applying their understanding of the elements of art to create amazing final products. Most recently students have developed 'reverse tonal drawings' using black paper and white pencil. Don't they look great!

Ms Dawson, Visual Art and Media Arts Teacher

Fantastic!



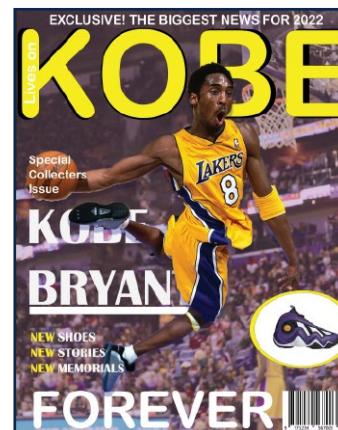
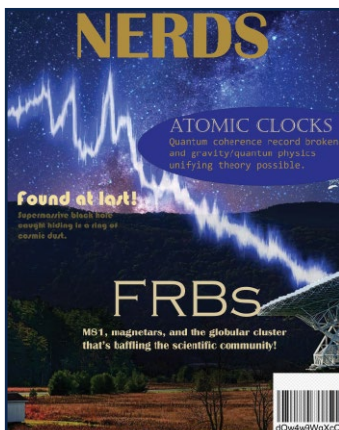
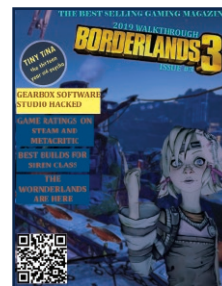
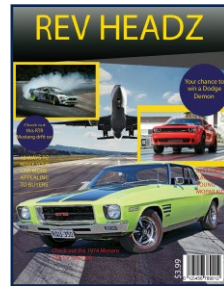
YEAR 9 GRAPHIC DESIGN – MAGAZINE FRONT COVER DESIGNS

In Year 9 Graphic Design, students have been building upon their skills in Photoshop, as well as strengthening their understanding of what make a good overall design. Students have used these combined skills to produce magazine front covers for a magazine of their choice. Well done to the Year 9 Graphic Design students on their amazing final outcomes.



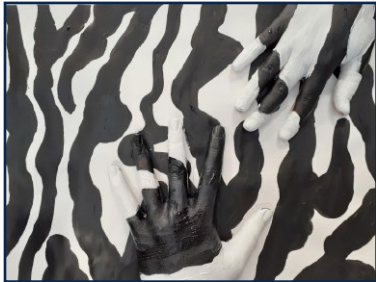
Ms Dawson

Visual Art and Media Art Teacher



YEAR 10 ANIMAL CAMOUFLAGE

Year 10 Visual Art students have been exploring how visual artists use the elements and principles of art to create animal skin textures. The final outcome for this study was to create an animal skin with a camouflaged hand.



Skyla and Natasha



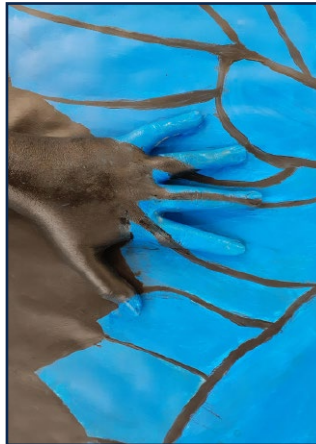
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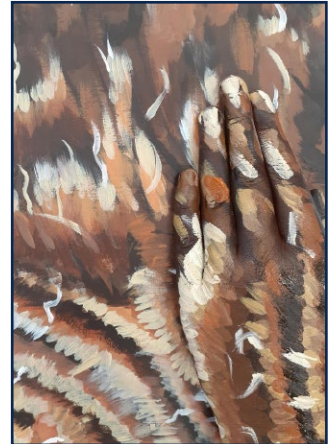
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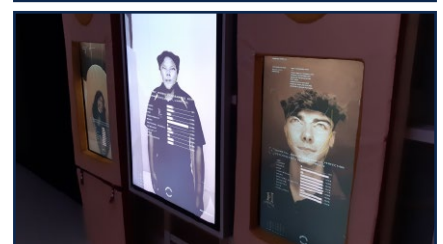
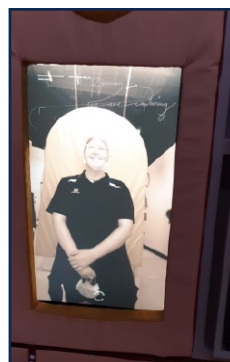
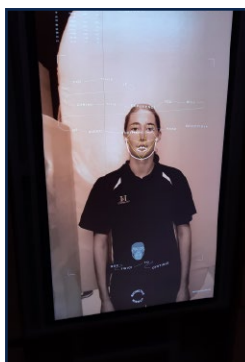
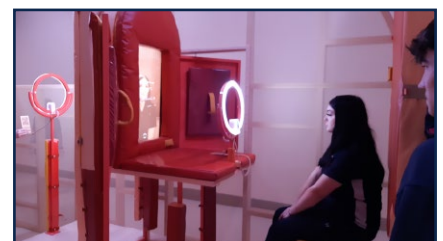
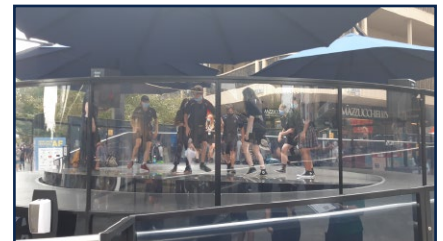
Donna

YEAR 11 CREATIVE ARTS FRINGE EXCURSION

On Wednesday 16th March, Year 11 Creative Arts students ventured into town to see 'Boop', a circus performance in the Adelaide Fringe Festival at 'Gluttony' in Rymill Park. This was the prize that Year 11 student Tryphena Hewett won for her winning design for the Adelaide Fringe Festival Schools Booking Guide front cover design competition last year.

We also participated in the Adelaide Festival display of 'Groundswell' in Rundle Mall – a large, raised platform that rotated, tilted, and pulsed underneath your feet. Our last stop was a tour of 'MOD' in the West End where we saw examples of science, art and technological responses to the concept of 'invisibility'. Students interacted with the displays turning themselves into digital characters and viewed displays about climate change, digital tracking and exploring into the depths of earth.

Mrs Sztekel
Creative Arts Teacher



COMMUNITY NOTICES



FATHER & SON NIGHT

A SPECIAL NIGHT OUT FOR DAD'S OR MALE SIGNIFICANT OTHER AND THEIR SONS
RECEPTION TO YEAR 6
SATURDAY 2ND APRIL
6:30-8:30

RSVP TO ANN HUGHES
BY 25TH MARCH
ahughes@clovercrest.com.au
83979400
Please specify any dietary requirements when booking

**\$5 PER PERSON
SUPPER INCLUDED**

THE NIGHT WILL INCLUDE:
-INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE
-POSSIBLE MARSHMALLOW TOASTING
-PLAYSTATION
-CRAFT/GAMES
-AN ENCOURAGING MESSAGE & LOADS MORE
PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE AT THE INFORMATION DESK OR VIA EFT
BSB: 704 922 / ACC NO: 100014521
REFERENCE NUMB: SURNAME + FS
2 Famechon Cres Modbury North



JOIN THE FUN! GET INVOLVED NOW

DEMONS
Hope Valley FC
Date - 7/5 - 25/6
Time - 9:00 - 10:00am
Saturday Morning
Contact - 0411 611 219
Michael Johnson

TEA TREE GULLY
Tea Tree Gully FC
Date - 7/5 - 9/7
Time - 9:00 - 10:00am
Saturday Morning
Contact - 0419 037 065
Craig Stirna


MODBURY FC
Modbury FC
Date - 7/5 - 9/7
Time - 9:00 - 10:00am
Saturday Morning
Contact - 0417 845 730
Paul Lemmer

head to
www.play.afl/auskick
register

Everyone receives a pack filled with goodies, including a footy, coty cards, AFL club membership + SANFL club activity booklet

play.afl/auskick

NAB AFL Auskick is FREE with the use of the ORSR Sports Voucher or \$100 without.
1) Enter your 11-digit voucher code (postcode number + child's ref number) in the comment box at the payment screen
2) Select apply and the price of your order will reset to \$0



Engaging Adolescents

3-week program
Thursday 17/3, 24/3 & 31/3

Research shows that there are many benefits to positive parent/child relationships

Parents will learn:

- to understand adolescent development
- how to set reasonable expectations
- how to assist teenagers to manage their emotions
- how to build a stronger relationship
- how to encourage healthy habits (such as technology use and sleep)
- skills for navigating tough conversations.

FREE 3-week program for parents providing easy & practical skills to engage with their teenagers

6.00pm to 8.00pm

Tea Tree Gully Library
Community Learning Centre*
571 Montague Rd

RSVP
Thy Do
0473 880 960
thy.do@ucwb.org.au

UCWB
UnitingCare Wesley Bowden

*Plenty of free parking available

Pooraka Farm Community Centre

BASIC COMPUTING AND TECHNOLOGY

Would you like to learn in a relaxed and supportive environment?

Do you feel that you need to improve your confidence in using your computer skills, technology skills and understanding of Microsoft Office?

Our program will help prepare you for further study and work.

When: Starting Wednesday 4 May 2022 (10 weeks)
Time: Wednesday's 12:00pm-2:00pm
Where: Pooraka Farm Community Centre, 126 Henderson Rd, Pooraka

FREE TRAINING

The program will include:

- Using Microsoft Word
- Using Microsoft Excel
- Setting up a Google Drive
- Email and Sending Attachments

One on one mentoring is available to participants if required.
(Crèche will be available please discuss when enrolling)

LEARNING NEVER ENDS

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