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**Whittington’s Local Neighbourhood House**

**December - Newsletter 2020**

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Hello and welcome back!

In 2020, Bellarine Living and Learning Centre completed a community engagement project to see what programs and activities people would like to see offered at the Centre. In 2021 we will be offering these new courses. (Please refer to page 2)

Please register your interest by emailing [admin@bllc.org.au](mailto:admin@bllc.org.au) or by phoning 5248 1926

All program start dates and times are subject to COVID restrictions and new requirements.

Additionally, if there any other courses and activities you would like us to deliver, please contact us directly, as we would love to hear from you.

We are looking forward to seeing you back in the Centre soon.

What’s On

FOODBANK

Our Food bank program runs every Wednesday from 9am-12pm during school terms. We have a variety of fresh produce and pantry items available. Our wonderful volunteer team are the heart of the program and make sure every person is valued. For those needing urgent food aid, we can assist in food vouchers from our wonderful partners Geelong Food Relief Centre.

When: Wednesdays

Time: 9am-12noon

At: Bellarine Living

and Learning Centre

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FOOD SECURITY

Would you like to learn more about accessing nutritious food & healthy food preparation?

We are passionate about making healthy cooking whilst building our community spirit over a meal.

We will be running cooking sessions and information sessions soon. Please refer to the table on page 4 for further details.

We also work closely with Whittington Primary School to run cooking workshops that allow students to showcase their cooking skills to the community. Contact us directly to see how you can get involved.

Taking Expression of Interests

We are now taking expression of interest

for the following courses

-Zumba classes

-Dance and exercise classes

-Food Handlers Course

-Youth computer games and Xbox sessions

-Car maintenance and home repairs

-Movie Club, discuss your favourite movies

and new releases

-Cooking and nutrition workshops

-Sewing classes

-Sourdough Bread Making

-Gardening and loads more.

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**Sewing**

Sour dough making

**Gardening**

**First Aid Level II HLTAD003**

Learn all the skills you need to provide essential First Aid in real life situations

on Wednesday the 24th of February 2021 from 9am- 3pm

Cost is $130 person and CPR (HLTAID001) update $60.00

Register your interest via admin@bllc.org.au

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| Introduction into Community Services | Are you wanting to work supporting individuals & the Community?  Would you like an overview of the various employment opportunities including Aged Care, Disability Services, Children services and other sectors? If yes than this course is for you. | Commencing term 1 and  we are currently taking expression of interests.  Please email the centre at [admin@bllc.org.au](mailto:admin@bllc.org.au) to express your interest | 6-week course,  one day a week  $50.00  Days and times to be confirmed |
| Introduction into Barista Skills | Are you interested in working in a café? Would you love to learn how to make barista coffee?  Participants will gain skills and experience in working in a cafe and operating a coffee machine. | Commencing term 1 and  we are currently taking expression of interests.  Please email the centre at [admin@bllc.org.au](mailto:admin@bllc.org.au) to express your interest | 5-week course,  one day a week  $100 including all materials  Days and times to be confirmed |
| Introduction into Kitchen Operations | Are you considering in working in the hospitality industry?  This course will give you all the skills to start your career in this sector. | Commencing term 1 and  we are currently taking expression of interests.  Please email the centre at [admin@bllc.org.au](mailto:admin@bllc.org.au) to express your interest | 7-week course,  one day a week  $100 including all materials  Days and times to be confirmed |
| Introduction into Computers | Do you want to improve your computer skills to obtain employment or communicate effectively online? Learn how to use word, excel, send emails and search the web. | Commencing term 1 and  we are currently taking expression of interests.  Please email the centre at [admin@bllc.org.au](mailto:admin@bllc.org.au) to express your interest | Thursdays for six weeks  9.00am-12.00pm  $50.00  Commencing on the 18th of February 2021 |
| My working future-Obtaining work after COVID | Are you looking for work? Are you unsure where your career is heading after COVID? Learn all of the skills to source suitable employment. | Commencing term 1 and  we are currently taking expression of interests.  Please email the centre at [admin@bllc.org.au](mailto:admin@bllc.org.au) to express your interest | 6-week course, one day a week & $50.00  Days and times to be confirmed |

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**Please note: These prices are a term 1 special only. Additionally, all courses and activities are subject to COVID requirements at the time prior to commencing**

Short Courses

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Youth Groups

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| Middle Years Girls Group | A free social group for girls aged 8-12 years old. Activities include games, art/craft, cooking. Food and snacks are provided. Also included is links to community activities and events as they are planned. | Mondays, during the school terms.  3:15pm – 4:45pm | FREE |
| Middle Years Boys Group | A free social group for boys aged 8-12 years old. Activities include games, art/craft, cooking. Food and snacks are provided. Also included is links to community activities and events as they are planned. | Tuesdays, during the school terms.  3:15pm – 4:45pm | FREE |
| Youth Space | A free social group for boys and girls aged 12-25 years old. Activities include games, art/craft, cooking program and a space to hang out with your friends. Food and snacks are provided. Also included is links to community activities, school holidays program and events as they are planned. | Wednesdays, during the school terms  3:15pm – 5pm | FREE |

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| Monday Craft | BYO your own project. Enjoy a cuppa and a chat | Mondays 1-3pm |
| Line Dancing | Come along and dance in a choreographed line, to country music. Build your fitness and dancing skills while meeting new people | Tuesdays 7-9pm Fridays  8.45-9.45am  10am-12noon |
| Walking Group | Come along and improve your health and fitness and meet new people.  The group walks around Whittington on a variety of walking track each week. | Wednesdays 1.30pm |
| FoodConnect | A fun and interactive cooking class for all levels. Share a meal together and meet new people Costs $5 per class | Thursdays 10.30am-12.30pm during term |

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Other Services

* Free internet and computer service- Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am-3pm
* Assistance with resume writing-contact the centre to make a booking
* Orange Sky Laundry – Day and time to be confirmed
* Tax Help- July to October

Current Programs offered in 2021

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