



WHITEHORSE  
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# Playgroups AND Toy Libraries



Supporting Parents,  
Grandparents and Carers

2024

## Playgroups in Whitehorse

A playgroup is a group of parents, grandparents or carers who regularly come together with their pre-school aged children to engage in play and socialise.



### BLACKBURN

#### Blackburn Community Playgroup

The Avenue Uniting Church  
46 Blackburn Rd, Blackburn  
9878 0569

[avenuefamilies@gmail.com](mailto:avenuefamilies@gmail.com)

– Thursday 9.15am

#### One Church Groups

184 Surrey Rd, Blackburn  
8878 2500

[info@one.org.au](mailto:info@one.org.au)

- Mainly Music Playgroup:  
Monday & Wednesday 10am
- Playgroup: Tuesday 10am
- Grandparents: Thursday 10am

#### St Thomas the Apostle Primary School

67 Central Rd, Blackburn  
9878 8268

[office@stblackburn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@stblackburn.catholic.edu.au)

– Wednesday 9am

### BLACKBURN NORTH

Blackburn North  
Neighbourhood House  
109 Koonung Road, Blackburn Nth  
9878 6632

[admin@blackburnnorthnh.org.au](mailto:admin@blackburnnorthnh.org.au)

#### Community Playgroup

– Monday 10am

#### Facilitated Grandparent Playgroup

– Wednesday 9.30am

#### Newhope Baptist Playgroup

3 Springfield Rd, Blackburn Nth  
9890 7999

[families@newhope.net.au](mailto:families@newhope.net.au)

- Mainly Music: Monday, Tuesday  
& Wednesday 10 - 11.30am
- [www.newhope.net.au/  
mainly-music/](http://www.newhope.net.au/mainly-music/)

### BLACKBURN SOUTH

St Edward's Anglican Church  
59 Edinburgh Rd, Blackburn South

[admin@sttoms.org](mailto:admin@sttoms.org)

– Wednesday 10am

### BOX HILL

#### Community Playgroup

Box Hill Baptist Church  
3 Ellingworth Pd, Box Hill  
**Contact Lyn: 0408 820 225**

– Friday 10am

#### Cooue Playgroup

245 Middleborough Road, Box Hill  
Contact Nina Mann: 0425 773 911

[playgroups.east@unihillchurch.  
com.au](mailto:playgroups.east@unihillchurch.com.au)

[www.unihillchurch.com.au](http://www.unihillchurch.com.au)

- Friday 9.30am
- Wednesday 9.30am



#### FaWM Playgroup

Box Hill Salvation Army  
1010 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill  
[boxhillsalvos@salvationarmy.  
org.au](mailto:boxhillsalvos@salvationarmy.org.au)

– 1st and 3rd Thursday 1pm

#### PlayBox Playgroup

Box Hill Institute TAFE  
Building 3, 465 Elgar Rd, Box Hill  
9286 9132

– Wednesday 9.30am  
[www.boxhill.edu.au/services/  
playbox-playgroup/](http://www.boxhill.edu.au/services/playbox-playgroup/)

#### St Peters Playgroup

33 Bank St, Box Hill  
0405 193 122  
[barbara.plumridge@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.plumridge@gmail.com)

– Wednesday 9.30am

Playgroups connect families to their local community and provide the opportunity for children to play in an environment that stimulates their imagination, develops their language and promotes positive social interactions with other children.

## BOX HILL NORTH

### Rainbow Family Playgroup

Kerrimuir Neighbourhood House  
57 Linda Ave, Box Hill North  
[rainbowplaygroupwhitehorse@gmail.com](mailto:rainbowplaygroupwhitehorse@gmail.com)

For families in the  
LGBTIQA+ community  
– Thursday 9:30am



## BURWOOD

### Burwood Structured Facilitated Playgroup

1 Church Street, Burwood  
9808 6292  
[burwoodn@bigpond.net.au](mailto:burwoodn@bigpond.net.au)

– Friday 10am

### St Thomas Playgroup

44 Station St, Burwood  
9808 3250  
[admin@sttoms.org](mailto:admin@sttoms.org)

– Tuesday 10am  
– Thursday 10am  
(Chinese speaking)

## BURWOOD EAST

### Crossway Playgroup

2 Vision Drv, Burwood East  
9886 3700  
[mikayla.kasie@crossway.org.au](mailto:mikayla.kasie@crossway.org.au)

– Thursday 10am

### Sunshine Playgroup

Burwood East  
[audrey.chee@crosswaylifecare.org.au](mailto:audrey.chee@crosswaylifecare.org.au)

Free with morning tea provided  
For families that have experienced  
family violence  
– Wednesday 10am

## Supported Playgroups

Whitehorse City Council facilitates Supported Playgroups from various sites across the municipality, for further information and eligibility requirements email: [supportedplaygroup@whitehorse.vic.gov.au](mailto:supportedplaygroup@whitehorse.vic.gov.au) or phone 0466 487 754

## FOREST HILL

### Playtime at St Mark's

St Mark's Anglican Church  
303 Canterbury Road  
Forest Hill  
9878 2848

[playtime@stmarksfh.org](mailto:playtime@stmarksfh.org)

– Wednesday 9:30am

### Story & Play for Preschoolers

Forest Hill Chase Community Space  
Level 2, opposite Australia Post  
[foresthilcommunityspace.com](http://foresthilcommunityspace.com)  
– Monday, Tuesday, Thursday  
& Friday 9.30am

## MITCHAM

### Little Galahs Bush Playgroup

[www.littlegalahs.com](http://www.littlegalahs.com)  
[littlegalahsmitcham@gmail.com](mailto:littlegalahsmitcham@gmail.com)  
– Tuesday 9.30am

### Mitcham Baptist Church Playgroup

8-12 Simla St, Mitcham  
9873 2576  
[admin@mitchambaptist.org.au](mailto:admin@mitchambaptist.org.au)  
– Thursday 9.45am

### Mitcham Community House Facilitated Playgroup

19 Brunswick Rd, Mitcham  
9873 4587  
[info@mitchamcommunityhouse.org](mailto:info@mitchamcommunityhouse.org)  
– Monday and  
Wednesday 9.30am

## NUNAWADING

### Nuna Kids

SDA Church  
169 Central Rd, Nunawading  
Julianne 0401 613 644  
– Thursday 10am (Fortnightly)



## VERMONT

### Dads of Vermont

Leeroy Cafe

37 Centre Road, Vermont

0413 558 152

[thomas.fagernes@dadsgroup.org](mailto:thomas.fagernes@dadsgroup.org)

- Meet alternating Saturday & Sunday (Join us for a free coffee and baby chino)

### Nature Play Playgroup

Various Locations in South Eastern/Eastern Melbourne

[kids.playing.in.nature@gmail.com](mailto:kids.playing.in.nature@gmail.com)

[www.instagram.com/natureplay\\_playgroup/](http://www.instagram.com/natureplay_playgroup/)

- Every 2nd Friday 10am

### St Luke's Playgroup

553 Mitcham Rd, Vermont (entry off Canterbury Rd)

0431 367 523

[playgroup@stlukevermont.org.au](mailto:playgroup@stlukevermont.org.au)

- Fridays 9.30am

## VERMONT SOUTH

### Grandparents Playgroup

(Ages 2-5 years)

Vermont South

Neighbourhood House

1 Karobran Drv, Vermont South

9803 2335

[info@vsnh.org.au](mailto:info@vsnh.org.au)

- Wednesday 10am

### St Andrew's Greek Learning Playgroup

Vermont South

Neighbourhood House

1 Karobran Drv, Vermont South

0412 958 300

[helenlambris@gmail.com](mailto:helenlambris@gmail.com)

- Thursday 9.30am (Function Room)

[www.facebook.com/standrewsgreekplaygroup/](http://www.facebook.com/standrewsgreekplaygroup/)

## Toy Libraries in Whitehorse

Toy libraries are a chance for families to borrow from a wide variety of toys, books and puzzles that support skill development and imagination in children for a small membership fee.

Toy libraries aim to support families and encourage togetherness and quality time spent engaging children in play.

### Box Hill Area Toy Library

#### Box Hill South Family Centre

1228A Riversdale Road, Box Hill South

[www.boxhillareatoylibrary.org.au](http://www.boxhillareatoylibrary.org.au)

[connect@boxhillareatoylibrary.org.au](mailto:connect@boxhillareatoylibrary.org.au)

Follow us on Facebook/Instagram

#### Opening Hours

- Monday 7.30pm–8.30pm
- Saturday 9.30am–10.30am

### Nunawading Toy Library

19 Norma Road, Forest Hill

0449 123 889

[www.nunawadingtoylibrary.org.au](http://www.nunawadingtoylibrary.org.au)

[info@nunawadingtoylibrary.org.au](mailto:info@nunawadingtoylibrary.org.au)

#### Opening Hours

- Monday 10am–12 noon
- Wednesday 6pm–8pm
- Thursday 9.30am–11am
- Saturday 10am–12 noon





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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Whitehorse City Council acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional Owners of the land. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

## CONTACTING COUNCIL

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| Postal address                                    | Whitehorse City Council<br>Locked Bag 2<br>Nunawading 3131   |
| Phone   | 9262 6333  |
| NRS (Service for deaf or hearing impaired people) | 133 677<br>then quote 9262 6333  |
| TIS (Telephone Interpreter Service)               | 131 450. Call and ask to be connected to Whitehorse City Council                                   |
| Email   | <a href="mailto:customer.service@whitehorse.vic.gov.au">customer.service@whitehorse.vic.gov.au</a> |
| Website   | <a href="http://www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au">www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au</a>                           |

The information in this brochure is subject to change.

For further information on any of the playgroups or toy libraries listed please contact them directly.

To update any information in this brochure, please contact: Council's Parent Resource Officer 9262 6175 or [parentresource@whitehorse.vic.gov.au](mailto:parentresource@whitehorse.vic.gov.au)