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Mayor's message

Cr Kirsten Langford

What a delight to be writing my first message as Mayor of Whitehorse City Council. It is an honour to be trusted with this role by my fellow Councillors.

As the festive seasons wraps up, I hope you can continue spending precious time with family and friends over the summer months before beginning the back to school rush. I know many people in our community will have worked through the Christmas period to keep businesses running, as they do year-round. I encourage you to shop local and support our small businesses. If you're a small business looking for help this year, please reach out to our newly launched Business Permit Support Service.

Council recently endorsed our position on how we will collect garbage, food organics and garden organics (FOGO) and mixed recycling bins from households. This decision follows significant public consultation where more than 5,500 people shared their views on 2 different service options.

Our community told us how much they rely on a weekly garbage collection. We've listened to this feedback and endorsed the continuation of a weekly



garbage and fortnightly FOGO and mixed recycling service. The Victorian Government requires all households to have a FOGO service and a new glass recycling service in place by 1 July 2027.

Along with 33 other councils, Whitehorse Council is objecting to the requirement for a separate glass service and will review our approach in April. Council continues to advocate for the expansion of the Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) to remove the need for a household glass bin. **Read more on page 4.**



Councillor Committee appointments

At a recent Council Meeting, Councillors were appointed to each of our advisory committees and groups for the coming year.

Advisory committees have been reviewed to align with our Integrated Council Plan 2025-2029 and Community Vision 2040. Newly established committees include the Community Safety Crime Prevention Committee and the Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan (MPHWP) Steering Committee.

All our advisory groups and committees meet regularly throughout the year and are made up of community members, Councillors and council officers. Each group aims to support decision making and implementation of plans and procedures of Whitehorse City Council in their relevant field.

To learn more, visit whitehorse.vic.gov.au/advisory-committees





lilysh Retallick



Matt Hetherington

WHITEHORSE AUSTRALIA DAY CONCERT

Get ready for the ultimate summer evening at the annual **Whitehorse Australia Day Concert**, featuring an exceptional line-up of Aussie talent.

Headlining our summer concert is **Rob Mills**, the beloved Australian entertainer who first captured hearts as a finalist on the inaugural season of Australian Idol in 2003. Mills will bring his Bon Jovi inspired set to Whitehorse, promising an electrifying tribute to one of rock's most iconic bands. With a career spanning more than two decades in musical theatre including *Wicked*, *Legally Blonde*, *Jesus Christ Superstar* and *8 Juliet*, Mills' stage presence and powerful vocals will have you up on your feet dancing the night away.

Also taking the stage will be the dynamic **lilysh Retallick** (Australian Idol 2025 runner-up) and award-winning singer **Matt Hetherington**. Each bringing us a diverse and entertaining variety of Aussie favourites.

The event kicks off at 6pm with rides, activities and food vendors, giving families plenty of time to grab some dinner and secure the perfect spot on the lawn. The concert begins at 7pm and finishes in a dazzling fireworks display.

Best of all? Entry is completely **free**, making it the perfect budget-friendly summer holiday outing for the whole family.

Pack your picnic blankets, gather the family, and head down to the Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct for an unforgettable evening of entertainment, family fun and community spirit.

When: Monday 26 January, pre-concert activities start 6pm, concert begins 7pm (fireworks at 9.55pm)

Where: Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct, 379–397 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading

Cost: Free

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Council maintains weekly garbage collection

Following community consultation, Council has made a decision about our ongoing kerbside bin services. We adopted Option 1, which means:

- **Garbage bin:** Your garbage bin will stay as a weekly collection, just as it is now.
- **FOGO bin:** Food organics and garden organics (FOGO) bin service will become mandatory for all households that have council bin services from July 2027. This will be collected fortnightly.
- **Mixed recycling bin:** Mixed recycling bin collection will stay fortnightly.
- **Glass recycling bin:** Council has decided to delay making a decision on any glass recycling service model until April 2026.



The Victorian Government requires all councils to move to a 4-bin waste and recycling service by 1 July 2027. We will continue to advocate to the Victorian Government to reconsider the requirement for a separate glass bin, as we know this is an important issue for many residents.

Learn more: yoursay.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/4bins

Electric vehicles: smarter driving and lower bills

Curious about what it is really like to own an electric vehicle (EV)? Join Bryce Gatton, an expert on electric vehicles and contributor for *The Driven* and *Renew Economy*, for a free interactive session to learn everything you need to know before making the switch.

Bryce will cover charging options at home and on the go, and how to plan longer trips without the worry of 'range anxiety'. You will also discover how EVs can help reduce your household energy costs, especially when paired with solar panels or home batteries.

Find out what to look for when choosing an EV, how to improve your driving efficiency, and just how little maintenance these vehicles need. Whether you're actively shopping or simply



exploring your options, this session will help you make an informed, confident decision.

When: Tuesday 10 February, 6.30pm to 8pm

Where: Vermont South Library

Cost: Free, registrations essential, events.humanitix.com/ev101



Bin collection calendars for 2026 now available

Keep track of your recycling and food organics and garden organics (FOGO) bin collection schedule with our handy 2026 bin collection calendar.

Garbage bins (red or dark green lid) are collected weekly, while recycling (yellow lid) and FOGO (bright green lid) bins are collected fortnightly on alternate schedules, depending on which zone your house is in.

Download your 2026 bin calendar here, whitehorse.vic.gov.au/bin-collection-day

You can enter in your address to find your bin collection day or download a copy of the bin calendar for your area (Zone 1 or Zone 2).

Not sure how to best sort your rubbish?

Search 'what can go in my bin?' on our website for guidance or download the **RecycleMate app** on your phone to get it right every time.



Your guide to a safe and cool summer



Staying safe around water

As the weather warms up, many people will enjoy local pools, beaches and backyard swimming. Water activities are fun, but it's important to stay safe.

- Whenever possible, swim at beaches patrolled by lifesavers and stay between the red and yellow flags.
- The **Beachsafe app** can help you find patrolled beaches, check weather conditions, and see hazard ratings. If a beach is rated 8 or above, it isn't safe for most swimmers.
- You should also download and check the **VicEmergency app** for beach closures or warnings and visit **bom.gov.au** to see if strong winds or sudden changes are expected.
- Wearing bright or neon swimwear makes swimmers easier to see underwater. Children should always be supervised; adults should be in the water and within arm's reach with kids under 5 years old and actively watching those aged 5 to 9. Ensure you are not distracted by phones and technology and always follow lifeguard instructions.
- Walk instead of running near water, avoid diving into shallow areas, and know your limits. Take breaks, stay hydrated and do not swim if you feel tired, unwell or if conditions look unsafe.

Strong swimming skills help keep everyone safe. Visit **aqualink.com.au** and search 'learn to swim' to find swimming lessons at Aqualink Box Hill and Aqualink Nunawading.

Extreme heat

Extreme heat can pose serious health risks to your community, so it is important that you keep yourself and your family safe while also checking on people you know who could be vulnerable.

The risk of bushfires also increases during the drier, hotter summer months, so make sure you also have your own emergency plan prepared.

Download the **VicEmergency app** now to receive critical notifications throughout summer, including extreme heat warnings, fire danger ratings, and total fire ban days. The app provides real-time alerts from fire and emergency authorities, helping you stay informed and act quickly to protect yourself and your loved ones.

Visit our website to learn more about staying safe this summer, **whitehorse.vic.gov.au/extreme-heat**

Stay cool for less

Here are some simple and low-cost tips for a cooler home while saving on your energy bills.

- **Seal any gaps** – Stop hot air getting in your home through gaps.
- **Create a cool room** – Focus on keeping one room cool to save money. Set your air-con to 26°C to reduce energy use.
- **Use the microwave instead of an oven** – Microwaves direct most of their energy into the food. That means you'll stay more comfortable and use less energy while removing cooking heat from your home.

Building dreams together: Indra Preschoolers shape new playground

In April 2025, we asked children from Indra Preschool in Blackburn South what equipment they wanted to see at Edinburgh Patch as part of a community consultation project to upgrade the playground.

The children spoke to council officers about what they liked about the old playground and made suggestions for the new playground including:

- swings
- tunnel slide
- spring rocker

Last month, the same children were invited to be the first visitors to the new and improved playground.



They were excited to see their ideas had come to life and said, “My favourite is the slide”, “I love the swings”, and “I like the spider web because I like to climb all the way to the top!”

We are proud to be a Child Friendly City that values the voices and contributions of children and young people in our community. Thank you to all the children and educators at Indra Preschool for their input in this project!

WHAT'S ON AT THE ROUND

A premiere performing arts centre.
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CIRQUE NOUVELLE
– A NEW
EVOLUTION
OF CIRCUS
SUNDAY 18 JANUARY,
6PM



BLUEY'S BIG PLAY –
THE STAGE SHOW
FRIDAY 30 JANUARY –
SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY
VARIOUS SHOW TIMES



TINA –
A TROPICAL
LOVE STORY
FRIDAY 6 FEBRUARY,
8PM



THE BEATNIX –
THE BEATLES
REBOOTED
SUNDAY 8 FEBRUARY,
5PM

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Shopfront stories – Quest Mont Albert

For more than 21 years, Quest Mont Albert has been a home-away-from-home for corporate and leisure guests, including their pets!

Sustainability is front of mind, with the property recently installing a 100kW commercial solar system on its rooftop, one of the largest privately installed systems in the area for a hotel. The system comprises 170 high-efficiency panels that are forecast to generate more than 456,000 kWh a year!

The hotel also uses eco-friendly bedding made from recycled plastic bottles.

With deep hospitality roots, the team, led by Ruchela, Arthur and Kris, prides itself on



warm, genuine service and all the little details. Supported by unsung housekeeping heroes (and great coffee from local favourite Mister + Miss), Quest Mont Albert loves being part of every guest's journey.



Victorian Government's Disability Self-Help Grants Program now open

Are you a not-for-profit organisation supporting people living with disability, their families and carers? We encourage you to apply for the Victorian Government's Disability Self-Help Grants Program.

Grants of up to **\$7,000** per year (or \$14,000 over two years) are available to help disability self-help groups strengthen peer support, build social connection and improve community wellbeing.

For more information, visit vic.gov.au/disability-self-help-grants-program or scan the QR code below. Applications close **4pm, Tuesday 27 January 2026**.

Enquiries can be directed to disabilityshg@dffh.vic.gov.au or **1300 880 043**.



Redeveloping Mirrabooka Pavilion

We have started work on redeveloping Mirrabooka Pavilion, with works officially starting last month. The project will deliver a modern, accessible facility that enhances local sporting participation and promotes long-term community use. The project, jointly funded by Council in partnership with the State and Federal Governments, is expected to be completed by the end of 2026.



From left to right: Gabriel Ng MP, Drew Sinclair, President, Blackburn South Cricket Club, Dr. Carina Garland MP, Paul Hamer MP, Mayor Cr Kirsten Langford and Stu Baird, Blackburn New Hope Football Club

Kingsley Ward Cr Kirsten Langford Mayor



Happy New Year. Christmas saw wonderful festivities around Kingsley. Hamilton Street Christmas Jazz embodied community spirit with Santa and carols. Thank you to the Mont Albert Village Business and Gardening Groups and council officers for this terrific celebration.

Don't miss *Movies Under the Stars* run by Friends of Mont Albert Reserve and Mont Albert Cricket Club including 'The Castle' on 23 January and 'Ratatouille' on 6 March, 7.30pm at the Reserve.

Mont Albert Shopping Village now has 10 new 3-hour parking spots following requests from traders and community.

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Eley Ward Cr Daniel Griffiths



Your weekly red bin is saved. We rejected a fortnightly collection option, listening to majority community feedback.

Council recently adopted a 15-year masterplan for Wurundjeri Walk, and a new dog off lead area will be considered nearby in response to community requests.

Get fit in 2026. Explore joining Avenue Neighbourhood House's exercise classes, Eley Park Tennis Club, Burwood Brickworks Mall Walkers, or volunteer at Bungalook Plant Nursery.

Meet your councillor on Sat 17th Jan: Peach café at 10am, Burwood Brickworks Woolworths at 1pm.

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Elgar Ward Cr Blair Barker



Local playgrounds are great spaces for children's development and provide a great social space for parents and grandparents to meet and socialise. I am delighted that we've now completed 4 major local park renovations at Elgar Park (next to the miniature railway) Tie St, Springfield Park and Memorial Park 'Crocodile Park'. The 'Crocodiles' from the old playground, which have delighted generations of locals, have been preserved and returned to the park as requested in the community consultation. With all the latest safety adventure features I am sure these new facilities will provide many years of benefits for all ages.

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Walker Ward Cr Ben Stennett



Welcome to Mitcham, Woolworths! After a 6-month gap following the closure of Coles, Woolworths officially opened its doors last month — fantastic news for local residents and small businesses. This major investment, worth millions, has created more than 100 local jobs. On opening day, I spoke with many excited shoppers and business owners who shared their optimism about the future of retail in Britannia Mall and across Mitcham.

It's also great to see **Dark Stallion Café** expanding into the new **Dark Horse Restaurant**, and the **Rotary Op Shop** reopening — more positive signs of a thriving local precinct.

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Wattle Ward Cr Andrew Davenport



I hope you had a wonderful Christmas! Thanks to your feedback, Council will keep the weekly garbage collection when the new waste service starts in 2027. I'll share more soon about adding food and organic waste to our standard service offering to help reduce landfill.

Great news — the Box Hill Chinese New Year Festival returns on 21 February 2026 at Bank Street, Box Hill, from 10am to midnight. If you're heading along, please consider using public transport.

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To read updates from our Councillors online, scan the QR code.

The views expressed are those of individual Councillors and do not necessarily reflect Council policy or the views of Council as a whole. Our Councillors have been elected to serve until October 2028.



Make a difference for our environment in 2026

Gardens for Wildlife is a free program designed to support community members to create inviting and supportive habitat for local wildlife within their gardens.

This program relies on volunteers to help residents build their skills and knowledge to create their own gardens for wildlife.

We are looking for volunteer Garden Guides to support the program in 2026. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer Garden Guide, visit our website, whitehorse.vic.gov.au/gardens-for-wildlife



Council meetings

All meetings are open to the public and are held in the Council Chamber in the Whitehorse Civic Centre. Meetings are also live streamed at webcast.whitehorse.vic.gov.au

There are no meetings scheduled in January. The first Council meeting for 2026 will be held on Monday 2 February at 7pm. Council Meetings will now be held every 3 weeks (previously every 2 weeks).

Next meetings

- Monday 2 February 2026
- Monday 23 February 2026

Search '**Council meetings**' on Council's website for agendas, minutes and more information.



From left to right: Zoe Quinn, Cr Ben Stennett, Anne Payne and Cr Prue Cutts.

Celebrating our community grants recipients and volunteers

Last December, we proudly brought together our amazing volunteers and community grants recipients for a shared celebration honouring the people who strengthen Whitehorse every day.

In the spirit of this year's International Volunteer Day theme, 'Every Contribution Matters', the event highlighted the skills, heart, creativity and community leadership that make our city vibrant and resilient.

Our volunteers enrich Whitehorse through 19 active groups, from Gardens for Wildlife and advisory committees to arts, sustainability and wellbeing programs.

Our community grants recipients turn local ideas into action, with 111 projects funded last year across arts, culture, inclusion, environment, health and more.

Together, their combined efforts reflect the **Whitehorse 2040 Community Vision** and our belief that community is at the heart of everything we do.

To every volunteer and grant recipient: thank you! Your contribution truly matters.

Connect with confidence

Are you considering driving less? Would you like to learn more about other ways to get around?

If so, our free public transport education workshops could be just right for you.

Across four 2-hour sessions, we will provide you with practical information about navigating public transport systems, including taking a group journey by bus and train.

Programs will be held in February and May 2026. The sessions run from 10.30am to 12.30pm. We recommend that you attend at least 3 of the 4 sessions.

Register now for the February program, trybooking.com/DHHOY

For more information about the program, email PositiveAgeing@whitehorse.vic.gov.au or phone **0478 269 367**.



Italian | Italiano

Concerto di Whitehorse per l'Australia Day 2026

Partecipa al nostro concerto gratuito per l'Australia Day presso il Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct, 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading, lunedì 26 gennaio dalle ore 18:00 alle ore 22:00.

Ci saranno musica dal vivo, cibo e bevande in vendita e fuochi d'artificio.

Per maggiori informazioni, visita il sito creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au

Caldo estremo

Le giornate di caldo estremo e temperature elevate possono essere pericolose per alcune persone della nostra comunità.

Quando fa molto caldo, è importante proteggere te stesso e la tua famiglia.

Dovresti anche controllare le persone che conosci e che potrebbero essere vulnerabili.

Scarica l'app **VicEmergency** per informazioni e avvisi sul caldo estremo e altre situazioni di emergenza.

Se non parli inglese, puoi chiamare il Servizio di Traduzione e Interpretariato al numero **131 450** per ottenere informazioni tradotte dal **Servizio Telefonico VicEmergency**.



Servizio di interpretariato gratuito

Chiama il numero 131 450, indica la lingua che parli e chiedi che ti mettano in contatto con il Consiglio Comunale di Whitehorse.

Greek | Ελληνικά

Συναυλία για την Ημέρα της Αυστραλίας στο Whitehorse 2026

Ελάτε στη δωρεάν Συναυλία μας για την Ημέρα της Αυστραλίας στο Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct, 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading, τη Δευτέρα 26 Ιανουαρίου, από τις 6 μ.μ. έως τις 10 μ.μ.

Θα υπάρχει ζωντανή μουσική, φαγητό και ποτά προς πώληση, καθώς και πυροτεχνήματα.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες επισκεφθείτε τον ιστότοπο creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au

Ακραία ζέστη

Οι μέρες με ακραία ζέστη και υψηλές θερμοκρασίες μπορεί να είναι επικίνδυνη περίοδος για μερικούς ανθρώπους στην κοινότητά μας.

Όταν κάνει ζέστη, είναι σημαντικό να προστατεύετε τον εαυτό σας και την οικογένειά σας.

Θα πρέπει επίσης να ελέγχετε άτομα που γνωρίζετε και τα οποία μπορεί να είναι ευάλωτα.

Κατεβάστε την εφαρμογή **VicEmergency** για πληροφορίες και προειδοποιήσεις σχετικά με την ακραία ζέστη και άλλα περιστατικά.

Αν δεν μιλάτε Αγγλικά, μπορείτε να καλέσετε την Υπηρεσία Μετάφρασης και Διερμηνείας (Translating and Interpreting Service) στο **131 450** για μεταφρασμένες πληροφορίες από την **τηλεφωνική γραμμή VicEmergency**.



Δωρεάν υπηρεσία διερμηνείας

Καλέστε το 131 450, αναφέρετε τη γλώσσα που μιλάτε και ζητήστε να συνδεθείτε με το Δήμο Whitehorse.

Simplified Chinese | 简体中文

2026年 Whitehorse 澳大利亚日音乐会

诚邀您于1月26日（星期一）晚上6时至10时，莅临 Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct, 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading, 出席本年度免费举办的澳大利亚日音乐会。

活动期间将安排现场音乐表演，并提供餐饮售卖服务，同时将在指定时段举行烟花表演。

如需了解更多详情，敬请访问官方网站：creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au。

极端炎热

持续的极端炎热天气可能对社区中的部分人群构成健康风险。

在炎热期间，确保个人及家庭成员的安全尤为重要。

建议主动联系并关注您所认识的脆弱群体。

建议下载 **VicEmergency** 应用程序，以及时获取极端炎热及其他突发事件的相关信息与应急警报。

如您不熟悉英语，可致电 **131 450** 联系口笔译服务处 (Translating and Interpreting Service)，由专人协助接通 **VicEmergency Hotline** (电话热线)，并提供多语言翻译支持。



免费口译服务

请致电 131 450，告知您的语言需求，并要求接通 Whitehorse 市议会。

Vietnamese | Tiếng Việt

Buổi hòa nhạc Ngày Quốc khánh Úc tại Whitehorse năm 2026

Hãy đến tham dự buổi hòa nhạc miễn phí mừng Ngày Quốc khánh Úc của chúng tôi tại Whitehorse Civic Centre Precinct, 399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading vào thứ Hai ngày 26 tháng 1 từ 6 giờ tối đến 10 giờ tối.

Sẽ có nhạc sống, đồ ăn, đồ uống để mua và pháo hoa.

Để biết thêm thông tin, hãy truy cập creativewhitehorse.vic.gov.au

Nắng nóng khắc nghiệt

Những ngày cực nóng và nhiệt độ cao có thể là thời điểm nguy hiểm đối với một số người trong cộng đồng chúng ta.

Việc giữ an toàn cho bản thân và gia đình quý vị là điều quan trọng khi trời nóng.

Quý vị cũng nên thăm chừng những người mà quý vị biết có thể dễ bị tổn thương.

Tải ứng dụng **VicEmergency** để biết thông tin và cảnh báo về tình trạng nắng nóng khắc nghiệt cũng như các sự cố khác.

Nếu quý vị không nói tiếng Anh, quý vị có thể gọi đến Dịch vụ Biên dịch và Phiên dịch theo số **131 450** để biết thông tin được dịch từ **Đường dây nóng VicEmergency**.



Dịch vụ thông dịch miễn phí

Gọi số 131 450, cho biết ngôn ngữ quý vị nói và yêu cầu được kết nối với Hội đồng Thành phố Whitehorse.



New environmental incursions for Whitehorse schools and kindergartens

Our brand-new environmental education incursions for primary and secondary schools and 4-year-old kindergartens are now open for 2026 bookings. They are packed with hands-on learning and plenty of “aha!” moments!

From exploring how to reduce litter, to understanding climate change, to discovering the magic of the circular economy, our sessions make big ideas easy and exciting.

Teachers can expect interactive activities, curious questions, and lots of opportunities for kids to become real-life eco-helpers in their classrooms and communities. Plus, all school programs align with the ResourceSmart Schools program modules.

Spots fill quickly, so book early to bring these engaging, action-packed sessions to your school or kinder in 2026, whitehorse.vic.gov.au/incursions



Cr Peter Allan and Mayor Cr Kirsten Langford with students from Box Hill High School.

Young people make big impact at Hackathon

Youth Connexions recently hosted our inaugural youth Hackathon, where teams from local schools provided solutions to youth issues in Whitehorse.

Teams problem-solved, innovated and came up with purpose-driven solutions to challenges such as:

- enhancing social connection and community belonging
- increasing access to services that support the needs of young people
- education, employment and life skills support

Mayor Cr Kirsten Langford presented an award to the winning team from Box Hill High School, which provided a fantastic solution to increase access to services that support the needs of young people.

Youth Connexions would like to thank our local community health organisation HealthAbility, which provided mentoring and support to our teams on the day.

Congratulations Box Hill High School Team 1!

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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.

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Connect with us on social media

Search ‘**Whitehorse City Council**’ or **@whitehorsecitycouncil**



On WeChat, search ‘**Councillors Whitehorse**’

Customer service centres

Whitehorse Civic Centre,
379–399 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading
Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm

Box Hill Town Hall,
1022 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill
Tuesday to Friday, 9am to 1pm

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Summer

School Holiday Program

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Summer is calling! Dive into a season of fun with exciting, affordable activities across Whitehorse. From arts and crafts to outdoor adventures, there's something for everyone!

Visit our website to view the full program and book: whitehorse.vic.gov.au/school-holidays

Make a splash at Aqualink

Enter our Chill Zone for hours of fun and entertainment!

When: See website – times vary between Aqualink locations

Where: Aqualink Box Hill and Nunawading

Age: 5+ years

Cost: Regular pool entry fee

Bookings: Not required



Play like it's the good old days!

Step outside for classic lawn games or head into the Museum for vintage favourites. Pure nostalgic fun.

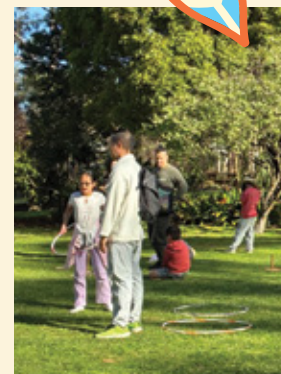
When: Weekends from 3 January – 1 February, 1pm to 4pm

Where: Schwerkolt Cottage

Age: All ages

Cost: Free

Bookings: Not required



Whitehorse Wildlife Explorers

Download the Agents of Discovery app and set out on your very own explorer mission!

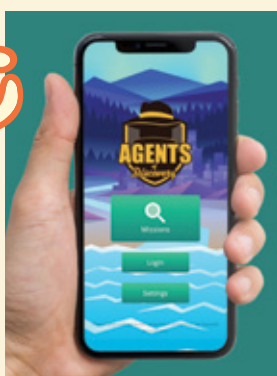
When: Every day

Where: Yarran Dheran, Mitcham

Age: 6-9 years

Cost: Free

Bookings: Not required



All Day Art Day – K-Pop Craze! Make, Move and Groove

A day packed with creativity, movement and fun. Make a clay tiger, craft a light stick and dance to your fave K-Pop hits.

When: Tuesday 13 January, 9.30am to 3.15pm

Where: Box Hill Community Arts Centre

Age: 6-12 years

Cost: \$91

Bookings: Required



Court hire and casual basketball shooting

Love basketball, netball, volleyball or soccer? Grab some friends for a game or to shoot some hoops.

When: Every day, subject to availability

Where: Sportlink, Vermont South

Age: All ages

Cost: See website

Bookings: See website



Summer Fun Day Program – Creative Kids in Action!

A full day of art, cooking, gardening, sports and games. Get creative, active and connected with nature.

When: Thursday 15 January, 9.30am to 3.30pm

Where: Strathdon House and Orchard Precinct

Age: 8-12 years

Cost: \$91

Bookings: Required

