

Resources for Early Years

Online Programs & Resources

While face to face playgroups may be on hold, you can find a wide range of videos and online resources through our website to encourage your child's love of stories, early language, literacy and numeracy skills through songs, rhyme, and stories. Check out our Early Years Events and Activities pages for some fun with familiar faces from the library.

Online programs and videos include:

- Baby Time
- Rhyme Time
- Story Time
- Songs and Rhymes
- Children's craft activities
- 1000 Books Before School

You can also explore the Early Years eLibrary for a range of free resources to enjoy online, including eBooks, interactive educational games, movie streaming.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/early-years

Sleep & Settling Program

Wyndham's Child Family Health and Well-being Team are now offering a free Sleep and Settling Program during Terms 3 and 4. Learn about how your baby's sleep changes over time and tips and strategies on how to settle your baby, as they grow and change. Sessions are available online and bookings are essential.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/childrens-services/maternal-child-health/sleep-and-settling-program

Phone: MCH Booking line on 9742 8148

Resources for Children

Online Programs for kids

Wyndham Libraries have a range of free online programs, activities and videos for children. Free online programs and activities include:

- Code Club Online (ages 8-12)
- Junior Chess Club Online (ages 8-12)
- Whizz Kids Online (ages 8+)
- Kids Club Online (ages 5+)
- Read with Me at Home (for prep-grade 6)
- Plus regular online competitions such as Design a Bookmark, and Coding Champs

You can find more information about these fun programs and videos, and register to attend through our website

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries

Resources for Young People

Online Youth Programs

Wyndham City's Youth Services suite of regular programs for ages 12 – 25 years is available online! The free programs feature different platforms to provide a safe online space for young people in Wyndham to socialise and have fun together with the support of Youth Services staff. Free online programs include:

- Girls Nights and Guys Nights
- Gamers Den
- Urban Arts
- Kick Back Fridays
- Homework Club
- Variety of training workshops
- Q Group (Supporting the LGBTIQ young people)
- 1825 Program (for ages 18-25)
- One-off online events and school holiday program
- Young mother's group, Baby Bump and Beyond

Registrations are essential. For more info, go to www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/youth-services

Email: youthinwyndham@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Online Resume Help & Finding work

Libraries can assist young people looking for work by connecting them with free student services (such as Studiosity) and local organisations providing career assistance. Young people aged 15-25 years can also book into an online session to get help with crafting a resume, applying for jobs and answering interview questions.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/libraries/youth/finding-work

Youth Services Foodbank

Wyndham City Youth Services Food Bank service is available for young people aged 12-25 and their families who are struggling and need assistance. (For all ages food relief, refer to the Community Connector below)

Arrange a pick-up: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm

Youth Resource Centre, 86 Derrimut Road, Hoppers Crossing.

Phone: Youth Resource Centre on 8734 1355



Resources for Families

Accessing the Library online

Access Wyndham Libraries at home, online 24/7 with e-Books, e-Audiobooks and videos of school texts and recreational reading, access to Encyclopaedia Britannica and online learning platforms. Its free to sign up as a Library e-member and you can do it online at

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries

On Demand Content

You can find a range of content available on demand through the Wyndham City website, including many activities, videos, green living tips, recipes, and things to do on a rainy day – there's a huge range of activities to explore.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/whats-on

Healthy Mind Tips

Youth Services have a range of Healthy Mind videos with practical tips and skills to help you with a little self-care.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/youth-services/services-programs/healthy-mind-mondays

Healthy & Active at Home

On the new Active Wyndham Calendar you'll find free and low-cost physical activity sessions available online and in your local area. Sessions include a variety of sport, fitness and wellbeing activities that are tailored for most fitness levels.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/activewyndhamcalendar

Council Service Updates

To limit the spread and impacts of Covid-19, Council has made a number of changes to the way in which our services are delivered. For the latest information on services, visit our website, send us an email or give us a call. Customer Service is available seven days a week. If you need an interpreter, call TIS National on 13 14 50.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/covid19

Email: COVID-19enquiries@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Phone: Customer Service on 1300 023 411

Support

Children & Family Counselling

Youth Services Counselling for children aged 8-11 and young people aged 12-25 is available by phone and online video. To chat with a counsellor, fill in the online form or give us a call.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/youthcounselling

Email: youthcounselling@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Phone: Youth Resource Centre on 8734 1355

Support for Parents

As your child transitions into their teenage years, support for parents is available through the Tuning Into Teens series provided by Youth Services. The series provides parents with a greater understanding of their young person's emotional experiences while teaching specific skills that can assist in being supportive, empathic and staying connected. You can join a program or read through the information online.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/youth-services/services-programs/tuning-teens

Email: tuningintoteens@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Food Relief & Community Support Networks

You can find list of local emergency relief, foodbanks and material aid services that can provide assistance across all ages on the Wyndham City Support Services page located at:

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/community-support/community-support-services/wyndham-city-support-services

Community Connector

Wyndham City's Community Connector is able to provide support, referrals and information to any community member. Community Connector can help you to access food and material relief, mental health support and counselling, family violence support, and provide support for families during COVID lockdowns.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/communityconnector

Phone: Community Connector on 8734 4514

Email: communityconnector@wyndham.vic.gov.au

