

# Forbes Children's Centre for Early Childhood Development and Parenting



#### Welcome

Forbes Children's Centre for Early Childhood Development and Parenting is an integrated early years service in which early childhood professionals, other professionals, families and the local community work together to meet the needs of children and families.

Children's Centres support children's development, health, learning and wellbeing. Forbes Children's Centre offers programs and services for families in partnership with a number of organisations and agencies identified through discussions with the community and families.

Forbes Children's Centre provides a caring, inclusive and welcoming environment where children can engage in their learning and families can access a range of services to meet their needs or participate in a variety of programs.

Forbes Children's Centre is Breastfeeding Friendly and is situated on the site of Forbes Primary School.

Forbes Primary School and Children's Centre is diverse, drawing from a range of families who come from linguistic, socio-economic and cultural backgrounds. The community is justly proud of its diversity, it's commitment to meeting the current and future needs of students and to participatory decision-making where staff, students & parents work together to meet goals.



Forbes Children's Centre and Primary School at 80 Thomas Street, South Plympton, SA. 5038 (*Just off Marion Road. Turn at the lights nearest the Forbes Shopping Centre*)

Forbes Children's Centre for Early Childhood Development and Parenting

Phone: 8293 9000 Fax: 8351 0470

#### **Services and Partners:**

**Sessional Preschool** for children, up to 15 hours per week, in the year prior to starting school. Sessions are Monday & Tuesday, or Thursday & Friday 8am – 4pm where vacancies permit

**Long Day Care Child Care** Please contact the Centre for further information about age group vacancies

**SA Health Services** CaFHS Clinic, Health and Wellbeing programs for dads, mums and carers of children.

**Learning Together Communities** supporting children's development through play

Anglicare Supporting the important role of parents

**Foodbank SA** Provides fresh fruit and vegetables to families who need food assistance

**Governing Council** Get involved in the decision making processes of the centre. Ask us how!

Volunteers welcome. Please contact the centre.

<u>Tours:</u> Centre tours are conducted regularly; please see our Tour Schedule for date and time details.

### Public transport to Forbes Children's Centre and Primary School:

**Marion Road:** (from City or Marion Shopping Centre) Take Bus number **M44** and get off at **Stop 15 Marion Rd**. Walk to 80 Thomas Street

**Glenelg or Unley:** Bus number **190** get off at **Stop 15C Raglan Avenue**. Then walk for about 5 minutes to 80 Thomas Street

#### Current services and program timetable:

Please see inside and timetable on back page or visit: <a href="https://www.forbescc.sa.edu.au/">www.forbescc.sa.edu.au/</a> or <a href="https://www.forbes.sa.edu.au/">www.forbes.sa.edu.au/</a>

**Forbes Primary School** 

Phone: 8293 4343 Fax: 8297 0604



## Music Fun for

Singing and dancing fun for infants & young children under the guidance of an experienced facilitator.

Bring your little one (or your grandchild) along for a lovely morning filled with singing, dancing, movement, rhyming and interactive fun!

School Term Wednesdays at 10am (Don't be late – we start on time!). Cost - Free. Bookings Essential **ALL WELCOME** 





## **Learning Together**

At Baby Playgroup we will provide a safe environment with open ended activities that support learning through play. This is an opportunity for babies to learn early socialisation, develop motor skills and start to become familiar with routines We have a focus on developing dispositions for learning such as confidence, curiosity, and communication through exploratory play, reading together and singing together.

When: Thursday Afternoons 1- 2.30pm during school term Cost: Free

Bookings: Essential 8293 9000





### Free CaFHS Clinic

is held at Forbes Children's Centre every Wednesday offering: feeding, settling and child development support, parenting support and information to parents and carers and up-to-date health information for parents and their children aged 0-5 years. Please contact CaFHS to make an appointment at Forbes on 1300 733 606.

You are welcome to contact CaFHS if you need help or advice regarding your baby or child's health, development or wellbeina.

Parent Helpline: 1300 364 100 Please contact CaFHS for more information Appointments 1300 733 606

Parent Helpline: 1300 364 100 website:

www.cyh.com

Are you looking for a group where you can chat with other new mums and dads? Would you like to connect with others who have a baby, our OT, Speechie & other staff about all things "baby"?

Suitable for dads and mums with babies who want their babies to begin socialising, have some sensory experiences and play but are not yet ready for a busy playgroup.

Venture out, make new friends & share in the wonders & challenges of being a parent!

When: Fridays during the term Time: 1.30pm - 2.30pm

(facilitated by our OT and other centre staff) Cost: Free - Bookings Preferred: 8293 9000 All dads, mums and babies welcome



## **Learning Together** aygroup

#### All Ages

Come and join us for playgroup! Your child will learn through play (and have lots of fun of course!) Playgroup will give your child the opportunity to develop the following skills-literacy, numeracy, social/ emotional, fine and aross motor. It will also help them become familiar with routines & develop dispositions for learning like curiosity, resourcefulness, and confidence.

When: Thursday Mornings 9.30-11am during school term Cost: Free

### Rebuild your core & pelvic floor after

Pregnancy

A Free Workshop to learn how to heal, feel stronger & return to exercise SAFELY

Are you wondering where your abdominal muscles have gone? Wearing pads in case you sneeze? No idea what postpartum exercise looks like after a GP clearance? Lost confidence in your body's weak core? Do you dehydrate yourself on days out so that you're not stressed about finding a toilet?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these, or have other questions about managing postpartum symptoms, join our 'beyond Kegel' interactive, non judgemental workshop!

Little one's is welcome – we'll have a small play area set up with resources to explore Saturday 30th November 10am -11.30am

Cost - Free **Bookings Essential 82939000** Presented by Lara Jezeph - Pre and **Postpartum Corrective Exercise Specialist** ALL WELCOME

#### Are you Looking for Childcare, Preschool or **Parenting Support?**

Would you like to know more about your options, what the differences are, what to look for when choosing the right childcare and when your child is eligible for preschool/kindy and tour through our ACEQUA rated "Exceeding" centre?

We offer regular comprehensive walk around tours explaining our Not-For-Profit Long Day Care Childcare service, Government Preschool (also known as Kindergarten or 'Kindy') and the Centre's Parenting Support Programs and Services (including our onsite services: CaFHS Clinic, Speech Pathology, Occupational Therapy)

#### Information Tours are 45+ mins

Please note - tours through children's learning and sleep areas is restricted to respect children's wellbeing. Tour only view these rooms through glass internal walls unless all children in the room have left for the day (usually after 5.45pm - tight at the end of our 5pm tours)

Join us on one of these dates: Week 2 = Wed 23 Oct 5pm Week 4 = 7 Nov 5pmWeek 6 = Friday 22 Nov 3pm

Week 8 = Monday 2 Dec 11am School Holidays = Tues 17 Dec 12midday Please meet promptly at the centre at the time stated Bookings Essential: 8293 9000

ALL WELCOME

#### My Child and Me Transitions to Childcare, Kindy and School Focus

Connecting, Understanding, Guiding.... Everyday Parentina Course

This FREE 2 part workshop helps you as parents and carers build an understanding of your child and how to support change and transitions for them. Sessions are full of helpful information with a choice of simple, practical strategies that each family can adapt for their own parenting situations.

Topics to support your parenting include: Brain & child development; Understanding behaviour; Parenting styles; and Positive approaches to guiding children's behaviour

Our sessions are based on the latest parenting research & use information from Parenting SA.

Light refreshments and crèche provided

When: Part 1- Tuesday 19 Nov & Part 2 - 26 Nov Time 12pm - 2.30pm Cost: Free plus Free crèche available (limited spaces available please book early) Bookings Essential – 8293 9000 **ALL WELCOME** 

### MyTime

**South Plympton Peer Support Group** 

For Mums, Dads and Carers of children (up to16yrs) with a chronic illness, disability or developmental delay.

Tuesdays during the term 9.30 – 11.30am Morning tea provided Cost - Free Please call for start date Contact: Silvana on 0488 151 789

for more information Free crèche available for children 0-5yrs **Bookings Essential - Cost: Free** 



## Glandore Playgroup

Playgroup is a great way for children to learn about the world, make new friends & develop social skills. Join this inclusive group that allows your 0-5 year olds the opportunity to meet other children & adults & opportunities to connect with others. Includes indoor/ outdoor play, craft, stories & toys, fenced and shaded outside area with sandpit, play equipment and more.

When: Friday Mornings 9.30-11am during

the school term

**Where:** Glandore Community Centre, 25 Naldera St, Glandore

Bookings Essential: 7420 6400 Cost: \$4 per family ALL WELCOME

Rainbow Connection

Do you identify with, or want to connect with, the LGBTQIA+ Community? Then come to our Playgroup with your children to meet other parents you identify with!

**Cost: Free** 

Every Monday during school Terms 10.30am – 12.30pm

Contact Katherine through "Pink Parents" on 0438 536 346 or via Facebook Messenger to book into this Dynamic, Fun, Welcoming Playgroup, or for more information.



### Multi-cultural Women and Children Group

Our mums and grandmothers meet
Wednesdays during the school term from
10.45am to 11.45am

to connect with other women while your little one plays!

No English (or just learning)...you're in the right place – we will make you feel welcome and help you practice!

Facilitated by qualified staff & Supported by CaFHS Nurse

Cost: Free - Bookings preferred but not essential – Call 8293 9000 Please bring a fruit snack for your child

All Nationalities Welcome

## Dads moving towards responsibility

This free 24 week program starts with understanding the many forms of abusive behaviour including physical, sexual, emotional, financial & psychological actions or threats & has a focus on practical ways of helping dads choose to be respectful fathers & partners.

Experienced counsellors help dads work on ways to improve relationships with their partner & children & keep them safe.

Presented by Anglicare

Call Phil on 8186 8900 for more info or a confidential chat about your situation.

If your child is a
FUSSY OR PICKY
EATER
Then you need to come to
WHAT'S THE
FUSS ABOUT
FOOD?

For parents of children aged from 6 months to 5 years old who would like to make mealtimes fun.

## 4 interactive sessions for parents of children aged 6 months to 4 years.

Week 1: Parent information session where a free creche is offered so you can learn about helping your child (Bookings Essential – Limited places

– Please book early)

Week 2-4: Parents and children exploring food together!

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Oct, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov Friday 8<sup>TH</sup> Nov & Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 10am – 11.30am

Presented by Huong, our Occupational Therapist and Maria, our Speech Pathologist

Bookings Essential 82939000 (Limited places available in creche – please book early) ALL WELCOME

## FIRST AID

FOR MUMS, DADS
GRANDPARENTS AND
CARERS

3 Hours of practical "what do I do when

This happens"

Would you know what to do if your child needed CPR?; or if your child was choking; had a head injury; was bleeding; burnt themselves; had a convulsion; came into contact with, or swallowed poison; or fractured a bone?

If you answered "No" to any of these then this workshop is for you!!

Saturday 30th November 10am – 1pm Cost: \$30 per person (sorry, no refunds for non-attendance) Bookings Essential: 8293 9000

Presented by a qualified First Aid Trainer

Please note: The Certificate of Attendance is NOT suitable for workplace competency requirements Book in NOW!! All Welcome

## I'm Pregnant.. Now What!?

(Or you're planning to conceive & want to learn about your options)

Join our FREE workshop where we'll guide you (& your support person or partner) through the different models of care available & help you to make the best decision for YOUR unique pregnancy journey.

We've got you covered.

Let us answer all the questions, so you can make informed choices for a safe and joyful pregnancy experience. Learn about choosing health care professionals, screening tests, public/private hospital or home birth options, birth plans & lots more!

Wed 6th Nov 6pm - 7.30pm

<u>Cost – Free</u> Bookings Essential 82939000

Facilitated by Ros McDonough, private midwife, Hello Baby!

Please call 8293 9000 to book or for more information All Welcome

## LEN Meeting Group (Lived Experience Network)

LEN is a group of people of diverse ages, cultures & backgrounds who have experienced significant stress on their families & needed the support of services to keep their families safe & well. This includes people with lived experience of CFSS services or involvement with the Department for Child Protection (DCP).

The Department of Human Services are working on changes to services to support more children to be safe & well living in their families, communities & culture.

To make sure these changes are right, you're invited to apply to join the LEN group as an Advisor to share your knowledge and experiences once a fortnight on Friday mornings 10am-12pm at Forbes Children's Centre.

See link to LEN info on the DHS website:

https://dhs.sa.gov.au/how-we-help/child-and-family-support-system-cfss/about-cfss/early-intervention-research-directorate/community-

engagement

Contact Paula - LEN Coordinator on <u>0435 366 394</u> for more information & how to become an Advisor. LEN System Advisors are reimbursed \$30 per hour for

their time & contribution.

A free crèche is available for children under school age while you attend the meetings.

### Forbes Children's Centre Term 4 (October to December) 2024 Program

Forbes Children's Centre for Early Childhood Development and Parenting. 80 Thomas Street, South Plympton. SA 5038 Ph 8293 9000

#### Long Day Care & Preschool **LGBTQIA+ RAINBOW** CONNECTION **PLAYGROUP** 10.30am - 12.30pm

**MONDAYS** 

Do you identify with, or want to connect with, the LGBTQIA+ community through a term time weekday playgroup? **Contact Katherine through** "Pink Parents" on Facebook Messenger or on 0438 536 346 to book into this great playgroup or for more information. Cost - Free

#### **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST & SPEECH PATHOLOGIST**

Our OT and Speechie offer parent information groups, 1:1 appointments to chat about queries or child concerns & provide professional referral where needed for children. Please call the centre on 8293 9000 for a confidential chat with Huong (OT) or Maria (Speech Pathologist) or for more information

#### WE'RE ON FACEBOOK & ONLINE!

www.facebook.com/ **ForbesChildrensCentre** 

#### www.forbescc.sa.edu.au

Have you checked out Our Website or Facebook page yet?

Find this program, last-minute program changes, updates. other community parenting courses, support & information as well as lots of helpful parenting hints, tips and links to parenting resources

**TUESDAYS** Long Day Care & Preschool

#### **MY TIME** 9.30am-11.30am

Group for Mums, Dads and Carers of children up to 16vrs with a chronic illness, disability or developmental delay. Morning tea provided. Cost: Free + Free crèche. Contact Silvana on 0488 151 789 for start date **Bookings Essential** 

#### \*\* TRANSITIONS FOCUS \*\* MY CHILD AND ME

**Focus on Transitions to** school, kindy & childcare Part 1: 19 Nov / Part 2: 26 Nov 12.00pm - 2.30pm

Does your child find transitions or change difficult? Discover practical strategies to help their challenges, fears and worries!

Topics include: Brain & child development: Understanding behaviour: Parenting styles: and Positive approaches to guiding children's behaviour

Cost: Free +Free crèche **Bookings Essential: 82939000** 

#### DADS MOVING TOWARDS **RESPONSIBILITY** 6.30-8.30pm

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helping dads choose to be respectful fathers & partners. **Experienced counsellors help** dads work on ways to improve

children & keep them safe. Call Phil on 8186 8900 for more info or a confidential chat.

#### Long Day Care MUSIC FUN FOR EVERYONE

Weekly during school term 10am sharp - 10.30am

**WEDNESDAYS** 

1/2 hour of singing, dancing & movement fun for infants & young children. Cost - Free. **Bookings Essential 8293 9000 ALL WELCOME** 

#### **MULTICULTURAL WOMEN** & CHILDREN GROUP

Weekly during school term 10.45am - 11.45am

Our mums and grandmothers meet to connect with other women while your little one plays! No English (or just learning)?...vou're in the right place - just come along! Facilitated by qualified staff. Supported by CaFHS Nurse

Please bring a piece of fruit for your child to eat! Cost: Free. Bookings preferred: 8293 9000 **ALL NATIONALITIES WELCOME** 

#### **CaFHS CLINIC at FORBES** By Appointment

Free Child & Family Health Service for infants and children 0 to 5 years, with a 0-3yrs focus Call 1300 733 606 to make an appointment Ask for Forbes Appt

#### **EARLY PARENTING GROUP** For new dads and mums Courses start every 4 weeks

Free 4 week CaFHS course for new dads, mums & their baby! Cost: Free -**Bookings Essential:** Call CaFHS on 1300 733 606

#### I'M PREGNANT - NOW WHAT!!!?? Wed 6 Nov 6pm - 7.30pm

An information session for pregnant mums and their support people. Join our FREE workshop where we'll guide you through the different models of care available & help vou to make the best decision for YOUR relationships with their partner & unique journey so you can make informed choices for a safe & joyful pregnancy experience.

> Bookings Essential - 8293 9000 Cost: Free ALL WELCOME

#### **LEARNING TOGETHER ALL AGES PLAYGROUP** 9.30 - 11am

**THURSDAYS** 

Long Day Care & Preschool

Come and join us for this all ages playgroup! Your child will learn through play (and have lots of fun of course!) Cost free.

**Bookings Essential 8293 9000** ALL WELCOME

#### **LEARNING TOGETHER BABY PLAYGROUP** 1pm - 2.30pm

BABY playgroup provides opportunity to learn early socialisation, motor development & open-ended sensory activities for learning through play Bookings Essential 8293 9000

Cost - Free **ALL WELCOME** 

#### **CENTRE TOURS** Call 8293 9000 to book

#### Tours are 45+ mins long.

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Week 8 = Mon 2 Dec 11am School Holidays = Tues 17 Dec 12midday

Cost: Free Bookings Essential - 8293 9000

#### **END OF YEAR CELEBRATION!** Date and venue to be Advised soon!

Details about our annual end of vear celebration for all our families will be out soon! Keep a lookout at Forbes and our Facebook page for details.

#### **PLAYGROUP @ GLANDORE COMMUNITY CENTRE** 9.30 - 11am

**FRIDAYS** 

Long Day Care & Preschool

Come and join us for this partnership playgroup! Sessions include indoor/ outdoor play, craft, story time, songs with a fenced & shaded outside area. large sandpit, play equipment & more.

Cost:\$4 - For more Info: 7420 6400

#### WHAT'S THE FUSS ABOUT FOOD 25 Oct, 1, 8 & 15 Nov 10am - 11.30am

For parents of children who are "fussy or picky eaters" aged 6mths to 4yrs who would like to make mealtimes fun and less stressful. Week 1 - Parent information session with free creche offered for your child. Week 2-4 - Parents and children exploring food together

Cost: Free + Free crèche 30/11 (Limited numbers - please book early) Bookings Essential: 82939000 ALL WELCOME

#### **BABY CONNECTIONS** Weekly during school term 1.30-2.30pm

learn about, wonder & delight in your baby. For dads and mums & carers who want to connect but are not yet ready for playgroup. Facilitated by Forbes OT

Bookings preferred 8293 9000 Cost: Free ALL WELCOME

#### **LEN-Lived Experience Network** Meet Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday 10-12pm

LEN System Advisors meet fortnightly to advise DHS on how to improve the Child and Family Support System. If you have experienced significant family stress, needed support services and want to become an advisor in this meeting -Contact Paula, LEN Coordinator, for more info & how to apply (\$30 per hour time reimbursement) M: 0435 366 394

Free crèche available

#### FIRST AID WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS. **GRANDPARENTS** and CARERS Sat 30 Nov 10am - 1pm

**SATURDAYS** 

3 Hours of practical "what do I do when !This! happens"

Cost: \$30 per person Sorry no crèche available (pre-mobile/non walking babies are welcome to attend with you)

Please see inside flier about attendance certificates or call the centre

**Bookings Essential:** 8293 9000 ALL WELCOME (Sorry, no refunds for non-attendance)

**REBUILD YOUR CORE & PELVIC FLOOR AFTER PREGNANCY** 

Sat 30 Nov 10am - 11.30am

In just 1.5hrs learn how you can get your core muscles back to strong, confident. pain and worry free "sneeze leaking" through simple exercises at home! Babies & toddlers welcome (a play area will be set up in the room) Presented by Lara Jezeph - A Pre & Postpartum Corrective **Exercise Specialist** 

Cost - Free **Bookings Essential** 8293 900

For more information about any program or event listed, or for copies of more detailed individual fliers please see the inside of this program or contact: Merridee Dangerfield, Community Development Coordinator. Phone: 8293 9000 or Mobile: 0400 263 567 Email: merridee.dangerfield@sa.gov.au