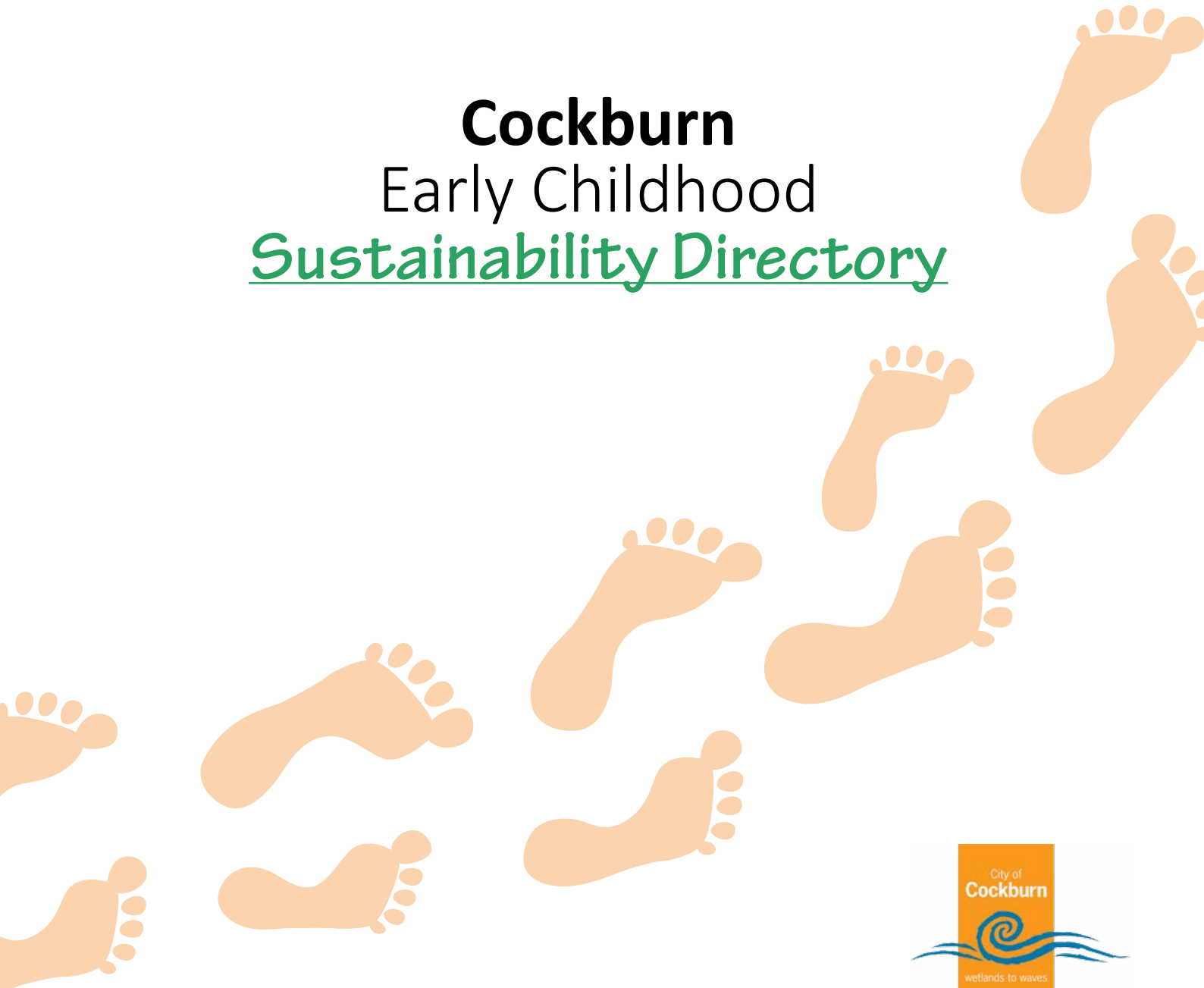


Little Green Steps

Western Australia

Cockburn Early Childhood Sustainability Directory



The Little Green Steps WA Early Childhood Sustainability Directory

This directory has been developed as part of a partnership between Little Green Steps WA and the City of Cockburn to provide early childhood professionals in these regions with information about organisations that can support them to reduce their service's ecological footprint and increase their service's social handprint. This support may be incursions, excursions, professional development, advice, or provision of educational and other resources.

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About Little Green Steps

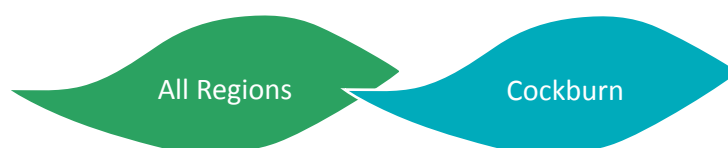
Little Green Steps WA is a not-for-profit program that supports Education for Sustainability (EfS) in early learning centres in Western Australia. This includes childcare centres, preschools, family day care, kindergartens, after school care and long day care services for children aged 0-8 years. To find out more go to the Little Green Steps WA [website](#).

How to use the directory

Select the region from the choices tabs below to then be directed to the Quick Reference Table. Here you can look for an organisation that works in a sustainability area you are interested in (E.g. Water or Aboriginal cultures). You can also check if the organisation is able to work with your type of early childhood service (E.g. child care centre, school or family day care service) and if there is a fee associated with the organisation's services. If the Quick Reference Table suggests that a service is both free and has a charge associated with it, this means that some of their services are free and others attract a charge.

To find out more about the organisation you are interested in, click on the organisation name in the Quick Reference Table and you will be taken to a description of the organisation's work and their contact details. You can return to this HOME PAGE or the regions Quick Reference Table by clicking a button on any page.

If you have any questions about the contents of this directory or have suggestions of organisations to include in any future editions, please contact lgs@aaeewa.org.au.



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Angela Rossen – Artist & Biodiversity Educator

Nature is wonderful beyond our wildest dreams. It feeds and shelters us, sustains our souls and fills our hearts with gladness. Children need to grow with nature as their teacher and partner participating in learning play and meaningful thoughtful time in nature as an end in itself.

Angela Rossen works with children to co discover the biodiversity of their own familiar places. Using both Art and Science methodologies Angela creates immersive discovery workshops where children learn the fundamentals of biology through observing and recording in nature. Children collaborate to create whole nature system artworks and grow confidence through ArtPlay discovery. Drawing is an essential tool for learning about nature and central to most workshop sessions. Note workshops and nature ArtPlay sessions can be designed to fit. Fees apply. Watch school workshops programme on <https://vimeo.com/264601501>.

CONTACT

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🌐 www.angelarossen.com

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📠 9337 4183

Amy Wild Adventures

Amy from Amy Wild Adventures conducts mobile reptile shows with an emphasis on fun through engaging presentations, activities and education. For early childhood incursions, Amy would do a 1, 1.5 or 2 hr reptile display and talk with touching, and handling if time. She would bring a range of reptiles, from cute and small to big lizards and snakes; and give a mini talk on each animal; often also providing general snake awareness and safety. Everything is tailored to age, and kept quirky and engaging! As Amy has a strong background in kid's entertainment and photography as well as herpetology (study of reptiles), she offers extra experiences for a small additional fee. See her video adventure on YouTube.

CONTACT

✉ amywildadventures@gmail.com

🌐 <https://reptileeducator.com/>

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Armada Reptile and Wildlife Centre

The Armada Reptile and Wildlife Centre houses a large variety of native reptiles and other Australian wildlife with over 70 species on display, including snakes, lizards, turtles, frogs, fruit bats, kangaroos, dingoes, emus, tawny frogmouths, parrots, bustards and many more. The Centre also provides a mobile education service to schools that may be unable to visit the Centre due to time or supervision restraints. Fees apply.

CONTACT

🏠 308 South Western Highway, Wungong

🌐 www.armadareptilecentre.com.au

✉ armreptilecentre@bigpond.com

📞 9399 6927

Astronomy Education Services

AES is an incursion based service provider in the science of Astronomy providing children with the basics of astronomy; what are stars and planets?; the Sun?; the Moon? and answering questions such as why do the stars shine? These incursions cover all areas of the Perth Metro region.

CONTACT

✉ richard@astro-ed-services.com

🌐 www.astro-ed-services.com

📘 Astronomy Education Services

📞 0417961357 (Richard Tonello)

BEST Programs 4 Kids

BEST Programs 4 Kids are a team of professionals skilled in mental health, well-being and the art of flourishing. BEST run programs to train educators, parents and health professionals in how to get the best outcomes for children and they provide curriculum materials for early childhood and primary schools under the theme of Child Wellbeing. These social and emotional well-being resources are both fun and speak the language of children.

'Little Highway Heroes' Program for 3-6 year olds aims to equip children with skills to navigate the social and emotional highway from a young age.

CONTACT

🌐 <https://bestprograms4kids.com/>

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📞 6102 3850

Bindi Bindi Dreaming

Bindi Bindi Dreaming is an Aboriginal family owned and operated business. The sorts of skills that exist within the enterprise are didge and dance, cultural tour guiding, catering with bush flavours and knowledge of Noongar Country and its people.

Bindi Bindi Dreaming can deliver a range of cultural activities and cultural information to adults and children at schools and child care centres. Activities include artefact viewing, Noongar boundary map (Clan groups), Noongar six seasons, the traditional roles of men and women in Noongar society, Noongar memory games, song and dance, Noongar language for names of animals and plants, Noongar Dreaming stories and connection to country. Fees apply.

CONTACT

 www.bindibindidreaming.com.au

Birdlife WA


BirdLife WA is part of the oldest conservation organisation in Australia with the conservation of our native birds as its main objective. They have a very active Community Education group who give talks, visit schools, run courses and take people on bird walks. A small donation is requested for school visits and talks.

CONTACT

 Peregrine House, 167 Perry Lakes Drive Floreat

 www.birdlife.org.au/wa


 wa@birdlife.org.au


 9383 7749


Josie Boyle, A Wongi Woman, storyteller, singer and children's book author


Josie can share Aboriginal culture to early years through storytelling, reading her picture books, sand art stories, guitar, music and song. Fee applies by negotiation and Josie's Story books can be purchased through [Magabala Books](#), Broome.

CONTACT

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 0432 526 104 Peter Nelson (Son)


Canning River Eco Education Centre (CREEC)

CREEC is focused on increasing awareness and understanding of the Canning River and the Park through environmental excursions for primary and secondary students. Fees apply. CREEC also provides resources for classes on their website, many of which are free.


Environmental education topics include


- native animals, birds and fish
- how to protect the river and species that live in and near it
- Noongar knowledge about the Canning River and wetland areas.

CONTACT

 Cnr Kent Street & Queens Park Road, Wilson

 creec@canning.wa.gov.au


 <https://www.canning.wa.gov.au/places-and-events/places-to-learn/canning-river-eco-education-centre>


 9461 7160

Captain Cleanup


Australia's environmental super hero presents sustainability shows to early childhood and school years in a fun, highly interactive and entertaining 40 min performance complete with stories, songs, movement and games to play. After the show children have a chance to have their picture taken in the back of Captain Cleanup's iconic yellow and black 1976 Holden clean machine. Fees apply.

CONTACT

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 0416 089 746

Constable Care Child Safety Foundation (CCCSF)

Through puppet theatre and live interactive performances, the Constable Care team of professional actors address a range of personal safety, community safety and citizenship themes to excite, engage, challenge and educate children from two to twelve years of age. Their theatre in education themes have been derived from an expressed community need and developed in consultation with experts in education, child safety and harm prevention. Themes include road safety, cultural understanding, protective behaviours and how to contact police and emergency services. Every performance is supported by a teacher resource pack and evaluation kit. Services are free for primary schools due to government funding. Please contact for a quote if you are from another early childhood service.

Recently launched, the Constable Care Safety School is an exciting outdoor excursion destination, which aims to educate WA school children in road, pedestrian and bike safety. The realistic urban facility is complete with working traffic lights and railway crossings, as well as state-of-the-art augmented reality activities. School excursions are available during term time, and out-of-school care groups are welcome to book during school holidays. Please visit www.ccsafetyschool.org.au to book online.

CONTACT

🏠 48 Sixth Avenue, Maylands.
 🌐 www.cccsf.org.au
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Creative Collaborations and Perth Arts

Perth Arts runs workshops (on behalf of Creative Collaborations) in libraries and schools. Areas include Indigenous storytelling, didgeridoo, art and singing workshops for NAIDOC week and interactive storytelling and drama workshops for Book Week. They are able to work with all early childhood services and are open to negotiating their charges for low-income schools and centres.

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 🌐 www.pertharts.com

Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) is responsible for the sustainable management of the State's aquatic resources. The Community Education team offers a range of fisheries and marine education programs and resources which are WA curriculum linked for students of all ages, K-12. Our programs provide hands-on learning experiences focused around the sustainability of the marine environment. In the early years, activities focus on developing an appreciation of the marine environment. Our Marine Waters website provides free lessons and additional resources specific to Western Australia's unique marine ecosystems for you to use in the classroom. Educators are also supported through a range of professional learning sessions, tailored to specific phases of learning, courses of study or topics.

CONTACT

Address for excursions:
 🏠 39 Northside Drive Hillarys WA 6025
 ✉ education@fish.wa.gov.au
 🌐 <http://marinewaters.fish.wa.gov.au>
 🌐 www.fish.wa.gov.au
 ☎ 9203 0112

Djirrily Dreaming - Nidja Ninnies

Belinda Cox is a Noongar Cultural Presenter, providing interactive activities for early years (0-8) based on the overarching learning outcomes of the National Curriculum. Belinda can also facilitate staff personal development by providing support to navigate cultural sensitivities in order to help create a culturally competent work place. Fees apply.

CONTACT

Bel Cox - Cultural Facilitator/Presenter
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 ☎ 0424 525 356

Earth Friendly Art

Ariane Roemmele can facilitate workshops with all ages using clay and natural resources to make sculptures which are then photographed against a choice of backgrounds. The participants are encouraged to appreciate the intricate forms of native flora, in whatever season year round and to use their imaginations together to make amazing sculptures. Fees apply.

CONTACT

🏠 4a Sussex Street Spearwood 6163
 ✉ roemmele2010@optusnet.com.au
 ☎ earthfriendlyart
 ☎ 0466872202

Eco Faeries

Eco Faeries use entertainment to promote a connection to nature and taking care of the environment. Specialising in early childhood education, the Eco Faeries are inspiring a green generation with educational workshops, shows and interactive performances. The team use stories, songs and dance woven throughout their planned programs, to assist new ideas to grow. A series of videos which accompany live performances can be found on their website.

CONTACT

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🌐 www.ecofaeries.com
☎ 0415 174 119

Educated by Nature

Educated by Nature is a team of passionate nature educators: teachers and playworkers who assist children, parents and teachers develop connections and learn within nature.

They have a specific program for Early Childhood Education called Mud Pies Grove which can visit schools, centres or organisations. A magical space is temporarily created with a variety of nature-based and open-ended activities for children to explore. Children have the opportunity to investigate natural materials with all their senses while educators can take inspiration from these simple ideas and techniques. The Nature Educator leads the group in songs and role models sensory risk-taking and nature connection.

CONTACT

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Environment House

Environment House sells a variety of products to assist your sustainability efforts. They also run a number of workshops for adults and children each year on topics such as growing native plants, reducing waste, composting, frog bogs and insects and keeping chickens.

Their Permaculture garden is ideal for mini groups who are looking for a place to spend a morning interacting in the garden or enjoying a picnic on the deck or lawn. Contact the shop to book a day and time that suits.

CONTACT

🏠 125 King William St, Bayswater
🌐 www.envirohouse.org.au
✉ Shop@envirohouse.org.au
☎ 9271 4488

Family Day Care WA Association

Family Day Care Services is the peak body in WA. This is a member based organisation that works on behalf of its members and the family day care community by providing professional support and promotion of family day care in WA. Membership fee applies.

CONTACT

Secretary
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The Forever Project

The Forever Project specialises in environmental and sustainability education and empowerment. They deliver tailored workshops, events and performances to inspire and empower people to be better able to embrace and adopt sustainability practices. They cover everything from gardening, organic food production, energy efficiency, renewable energy, waste, recycling, revegetation, bushland management, Nature Play, composting and worm farming. Fees apply.

CONTACT

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Gaia Permaculture Pty Ltd

Gaia Permaculture is a permaculture design business with experience in landscape gardening and teaching permaculture inspired gardening to early childhood and primary school children as well as Vocational Education and Training (VET) students.

Their educational experiences are designed to be fun, interactive, exploratory and hands on for children and educators alike and are founded on the Permaculture Ethics of Earth Care, People Care and Fair Share. Workshop topics include environmental regeneration, sustainably growing food in the garden, native bees and bee hotels, wicking bottles, worms and compost, plants and seed balls, soil and water, harvesting and eating, and encouraging land stewardship and nature awareness in children.

CONTACT

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🌐 www.gaia-permaculture.com.au

Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre

Kanyana provides educational native wildlife interactions both onsite at Kanyana and bringing animals to your centre (although it is not possible to visit Family Day Care services as the animals can't be taken to homes). They run school holiday programs and Discovery Tours that may be suitable for your children. Fees apply.

CONTACT

🏠 120 Gilchrist Road, Lesmurdie WA 6076
 🌐 www.kanyanawildlife.org.au
 ✉ info@kanyanawildlife.org.au
 ☎ 9291 3900

Keep Australia Beautiful

Keep Australia Beautiful can provide schools with free:

- Visits to talk about the impact of litter on the environment
- Clean Schools pack upon registration
- Clean-up resources through Adopt-a-Spot and Community Clean-ups
- Games on the website.

Early childhood services can participate in Adopt-a-Spot and also use the games on the website.

CONTACT

🌐 kabc.wa.gov.au
 ✉ cleanschools@kabc.wa.gov.au
 ☎ 6364 6632

Kids Nature Club

Kids Nature Club provides interactive and engaging incursions for early childhood, kindergartens and primary schools. With a focus on the local environment Kids Nature Club are dedicated to connecting Perth kids to their local natural areas. Currently on offer are two incursions: Minibeasts and Sustainability as well as outdoor classroom activities and guided excursions in local bushland areas.

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 ✉ kidsnatureclub@iinet.net.au
 🌐 www.kidsnatureclub.com.au
 ☎ 0404 007 308

Light and Sound Discovery Centre

Sustainable Science Incursions for Kindy kids include hands on light and sound activities and demonstrations. Things they can hear include different ways of producing sound (including amazing singing metal rods), an antique music box, sounds made by rare musical instruments (including Jews harp, nose flute, musical saw, and the theremin), loudness and care of ears (fog horn and use of ear plugs) and demonstration of antique hearing aids. Things they can look at include shadow puppets, moving pictures in a zoetrope and a real mutoscope, beautiful images in a kaleidoscope, 3D pictures in a stereoscope, a periscope and the famous invisible box.

CONTACT

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 Richard Rennie
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Millennium Kids

The 21st century needs problem solvers and innovators ready to meet the challenges of the future. Young people have the creative ideas and innovative thinking needed right now. Millennium Kids Inc is a not-for-profit, environmental youth organisation, that empowers young people with a 'skills for life' approach so they can become leaders and change-agents in their communities today.

Millennium Kids works with all school ages to deliver youth led sustainability initiatives. Programs are tailored to meet the needs of teachers and local communities. Place based learning is our favourite thing – creating outdoor classrooms, building capacity using local community assets. Do you have a river, wetland or bushland near you or want to build a nature play garden with limited resources. Membership and workshop fees apply.

CONTACT

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 Catrina –Luz Aniere
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Mopoke Dreaming - Leonard Thorn

Aboriginal Cultural Presenter, Leonard Thorn delivers hands-on incursions and workshops to early years and school children from ages three and up, on Noongar cultural connections to country, use of the land and its resources. Fees apply.

CONTACT

🏠 33 Quickly Crescent, Hamilton Hill
 ☎ 0459 671 877

Natsync Environmental

Natsync Environmental delivers various environmental educational workshops for community members and schools interested in learning skills for a sustainable way of life. This includes a consultancy service specialising in the design of environmentally sustainable gardens and wildlife habitat native to Western Australia, workshops about building nesting boxes for native animals and nightstays for wildlife spotting. Fees apply.

CONTACT

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Nature Play Solutions

Nature Play Solutions' mission is to help you provide authentic play opportunities and create great, natural play spaces. They offer four distinct service areas. Fees apply.

- Playspaces – Design and Construct
- Messy Mud Day, Loose Parts Play and Cubby Building incursions
- Professional Development
- Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) mentoring

CONTACT

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 🌐 www.natureplaysolutions.com.au
 ✉ play@natureplaysolutions.com.au
 ☎ 9361 1355

Nearer to Nature - N2N

Nearer to Nature provides the community with unique, enjoyable activities that help participants discover marvellous natural areas in and around Perth and the south-west.

- For schools they provide excursions, incursions, professional learning and resources that meet requirements of the Western Australian Curriculum either in the natural environment or in your school.
- During the school holidays, fun, hands-on activities bring kids of all ages up close and personal with wonderful plants and animals in some very special places.

Nearer to Nature's overall aim is to increase the community's environmental awareness, knowledge and skills, including the related heritage of Indigenous and European cultures. Fees apply.

CONTACT

🏠 Perth Hills Discovery Centre, 380 Allen Road, Mundaring
 🌐 www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/get-involved/nearer-to-nature
 ✉ N2N@dbca.wa.gov.au
 ☎ 9295 2244

Noongar Ooak Creations

Noongar Cultural presenter Bianca Willder delivers hands-on workshops on basic Noongar language, knowledge, art, kinship and storytelling for young children. Her resources include recycled and eco friendly items such as story stones, story and word discs, word sticks, books and dolls.

CONTACT

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One World Centre

The One World Centre is a not-for-profit organisation which provides a range of professional learning services for educators working in family day care, long day care and other early childhood services.

Our workshops are interactive, relevant, and assist educators to implement key aspects of the National Quality Standard and Early Years Learning Framework. Participants will expand their own knowledge of global issues, take away practical strategies to use in their service and explore the One World Centre's collection of globally focused early childhood resources. Library memberships are also available to centres and to individual educators. Fees apply.

CONTACT

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www.oneworldcentre.org.au
coordinator@oneworldcentre.org.au
 9371 9133

Perth NRM

A sustainability organisation with a focus on environment, both within the agriculture sector and as a growing city. Perth NRM offers incursions to educate students (Kindy and OSHC) about the Swan-Canning Rivers through interactive talks and fun activities. Children can experience an appreciation of Water, Biodiversity and Nature and Community Partnership through Perth NRM. Free online resources.

CONTACT

🏠 Level 2/161 Great Eastern Hwy Belmont WA 6104
 ✉ enquiries@perthnrm.com
 ☎ 9374 3333

Perth Zoo

Perth Zoo offers:

- Education Experiences connect students with nature and empower them to take positive action for the environment. Sessions run for 45 mins and cover all the features of various animals and their homes (K-12). Then groups are free to explore the zoo.
- For OSHC and vacation care – check out the activities that run at the zoo each holiday and pupil free days. Catch a Zoo theatre performance, join the Wild Zone or complete a school holiday themed trail. Suitable for K-6 <https://perthzoo.wa.gov.au/whats-happening/program/osh-club-and-vacation-care>
- A-Zoo is a fun, factual, activity program about animals especially designed for children aged two to five years old. Learn about animals through music, movement, storytelling and a visit to the animal. A-Zoo may be suitable for family day care educators.

Fees apply for these programs but online resources are free

CONTACT

🏠 20 Labouchere Road, South Perth
 🌐 <https://perthzoo.wa.gov.au/programs>
 🌐 <https://perthzoo.wa.gov.au/schools>
 ✉ DiscoveryandLearning@perthzoo.wa.gov.au
 ☎ 9474 0365

REmida – Creative Reuse Centre

REmida's Early Years Play Experience and creative reuse workshops have been developed to provide young children with an education program that introduces concepts of sustainability through valuing waste.

Children explore social and emotional development and communication during play based learning experiences and apply team work in construction focussed workshops that can be adapted for the early years. REmida's materials are a sustainable option for educators to introduce into the learning environment and their Professional Development workshops explore ways of using them. Materials have been collected as clean off cuts from local industry and are unique, colourful and playful. Become a member to make use of the materials and receive discounts on workshops. Fees apply.

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 ☎ 9227 5576

Roots and Shoots

Jane Goodall's Roots and Shoots is a global youth-led community action program, comprised of thousands of young people inspired by Dr. Jane Goodall to make the world a better place. Roots and Shoots delivers free in class talks on saving the environment to kindergartens and schools.

CONTACT

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Safe4Kids

Safe4Kids is a Western Australian organisation which specialises in education. The child abuse prevention education programmes delivered by Safe4Kids are specifically designed as a preventative measure to combat child abuse by providing children with clear messages regarding inappropriate behaviours. Safe4Kids sells educational resources, has developed a curriculum which is linked to the EYLF, the National Quality Framework and the Western Australian Curriculum. Safe4Kids delivers training for teachers, early childhood professionals and parents.

CONTACT

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Science Alive

Science Alive presents a range of science and sustainability shows and incursions that use a unique mix of comedy, interaction and science to educate and entertain young students. There are 8 different programs for children from the early years up to Year 3 addressing topics of energy, water, the senses and sound to highlight a few. Fees apply.

CONTACT

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South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare

South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare (SERCUL) offers incursions and excursions based around protecting our waterways. One hour sessions include Algae Busters - Catchment Story, Macro-invertebrates, Building a Frog Habitat and Bush Tucker. Planting at local rehabilitation sites and on centre grounds is available in the winter months. Fees apply for incursions/excursions, depending on your location.

CONTACT

Education and Promotion Manager – Natasha Bowden

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🏠 1 Horley Road Beckenham

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Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation (SAKGF)

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation aims for children to form positive food habits for life. The membership program offers online support, a dedicated support line for program Kitchen Garden classroom centres, over 600 resources including how to get started ,recipes, templates, getting started guide and Early Learning Activity book . Fees apply.

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Switch Your Thinking

Switch your thinking is a local government initiative that inspires sustainable action in Perth, Western Australia. To achieve their objective of reducing local greenhouse gas emissions, they partner with Perth Councils, local businesses and community groups, to help the people of Perth to live and work in a way that meets their needs without jeopardising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Their free projects include:

- Young re-inventor of the year competition, held annually and open to early childhood services
- Workshops, events and information about gardening, reducing waste, energy efficiency and biodiversity
- Switched on Schools, which recognises the sustainability efforts of schools and early childhood services

Rewards for Residents and Businesses – Discounts on products to help cut waste and reduce water and energy consumption for residents and businesses in member councils

CONTACT

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☎ 9397 3209

Transperth Education (Get on Board)

Looking for a low-cost and eco-friendly way of getting to your next excursion? Then Transperth is the answer offering support to plan your excursion and destination via public transport. Each year Transperth helps over 15 000 students and teachers reach their excursion destinations on in-service buses, trains and ferries. For more information visit the Get on Board bookings page and search for 'Excursion Planning' to complete a booking enquiry.

CONTACT

✉ education@transperth.wa.gov.au

🌐 www.getonboard.transperth.wa.gov.au

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The Wetlands Centre, Cockburn

The Wetlands Centre in Bibra Lake is surrounded by a diversity of bushland, wetlands and an amazing array of wildlife. The centre offers engaging and hands-on programs for students to connect and interact with nature. Whole and half day excursions cater for all ages. The Centre's 'Get Wild About Wetlands' holiday programs are designed, but not limited to children aged between 5-12 years . The facility can be hired for staff workshops and professional learning sessions.

Some biodiversity programs on offer include:

- Underwater World of Bibra (insects under the microscope)
- Bird Buffet (beaks and birds of Bibra)
- Hero in a half shelf (hidden world of the Long-necked turtle)
- Wonderful world of worms
- Frog fantasia (Learn about frogs and make frogs at home)
- Planting for Wildlife (tree planting in Bibra)
- Secret Life of Spiders
- Frog night stalk

CONTACT

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Turbans and Trust

'We tie turbans. You trust us with your head. And we trust you with our turban. And a little bit of trust goes a long way. When there is trust, anything is possible!'

Turbans and Trust is a not-for-profit initiative launched in 2013 and based on a need for non-Sikhs to understand more about the turbans that have been appearing increasingly in Australian streets and an opportunity to use the simple but profound act of tying a turban to create a personal connection across difference. A core reason a Sikh wears a turban, is to identify as a person who has made a commitment to do good for others. In these times when misunderstanding and fear dominate our social and political landscape, Turbans and Trust wants this message to be highlighted. It's about changing perceptions and creating trust where there may have been fear so that the turban, whether we choose to wear one or not, can once again be recognised as a beacon of hope for all. If early years would like to have a Turbans and Trust experience, make contact via the website.

CONTACT

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 🌐 www.turbansandtrust.com
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WA Child Safety Services (WACSS)

WA Child Safety Services is Western Australia's specialist provider of child safety education and training including the Protective Behaviours program. We provide Professional Development, Parent Workshops and children's sessions delivered by qualified and experienced trainers. There is a fee for services but WACSS can support community groups through nomination to provide a free workshop.

CONTACT

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WA Birds of Prey Centre

Each school incursion or excursion is tailored to suit the age of the children. They have a range of displays targeting different educational outcomes, and a range of activities to choose from, such as cast dissection or crafts (making birds).

An educational talk combined with a visual display is a stimulating way to teach your children about Birds of Prey within the environment. This presentation not only allows children to see a variety of birds up close, but also helps the children to identify birds of prey, learn about their diet and where they can be found in Australia. It also gives the students an insight on how unique these birds are, what role they play in our environment and how susceptible they are to human activity. Fees apply.

CONTACT

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 ☎ 0438 388 383

Waste Wise Schools

The Waste Wise Schools program targets schools in WA with free educational strategies for reducing waste to landfill by implementing the 3Rs, reduce, reuse, recycle – while developing positive environmental values in students and the whole school community.

CONTACT

🌐 wasteauthority.wa.gov.au/programs/www
 ✉ Wastewise@dwer.wa.gov.au
 ☎ 6364 7000

Waste is My Resource

Robyn Brown, an experienced Waste Educator, can demonstrate and present many aspects of reducing waste through incursions to Early Years Educators in their own environments, with some presentations being appropriate for early years and older children directly.

Topics include: Diverting organic waste through composting or worm farming; Recycling and General Waste Information; Closing the Waste Loop through setting up organic gardens and wicking beds; organic pest control; Reducing plastic; Making beeswax food wraps; swapping single use plastic items for long term alternatives and What to do about Packaging. Fees apply for these Programs and some resources are Free.

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 ☎ 0401 311 817

Water Corporation

The Water Corporation offers free incursions for schools, and many online teaching resources about the water cycle, water conservation and water pollution. Also available to early childhood services are the Waterwise starters kit and free water-themed posters and stickers.

CONTACT

🌐 www.watercorporation.com.au/home/education
 ✉ education@watercorporation.com.au
 ☎ 9420 3988

West Oz Wildlife

West Oz Wildlife aims to teach conservation through fun, educational displays. West Oz Wildlife offers incursions to schools and early childhood services and tailors the incursion to the age of the children. Fees apply.

CONTACT

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Whopper Blocks Modular Children's Play

Whopper Blocks are a springboard for creative play and environmental education and as an Artist in the Schools in South Australia, Jennifer successfully introduced the Blocks to many children's play programs from ages 3–12 years. These CFC Free blocks come in two age-appropriate sizes, with designs and cover combinations representing Earth, Stone, Fire, Air and Water and appropriate for indoor and outdoor use. Presentations are tailored to suit the Activity and Educational focus of the Early years service. Contact Jennifer directly to book a Whopper Blocks event.

CONTACT

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Women's Business Weaving

Aboriginal Artist and cultural educator who runs incursions for all ages; 4 years to adults. Specific areas include weaving and Aboriginal art workshops and Bush walks and Cultural talks.

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Wonderful Worm Waste

Wonderful Worm Waste is a multidisciplinary program that educates children about recycling, and how compost worms are great at helping manage our organic waste. It engages children with hands-on sensory experiences.

The incursion program focuses on early learners, pre-kindy, kindergarten through to grade 7, education support units, school holiday care programs, community events, libraries, Scout groups. The workshops align with the National Quality Standard and Early Years Learning Framework. Topics include: Recycling, How worms play a role in waste management, worm biology, life cycles, sustainability, threatened native species, mini beasts, growing your own food and seed harvesting. All children make their own mini worm farm to take home.

CONTACT

🌐 www.wonderfulwormwaste.com.au
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Your Move Schools

Your Move supports school communities to get students using bikes, scooters, walking and public transport to get to and from school. We provide free teaching resources, expert travel behaviour change advice and rewards like scooter racks, bike education and access to Connecting Schools funding.

CONTACT

Your Move - Department of Transport
 🏠 140 William Street, Perth WA 6000
 ✉ yourmove@transport.wa.gov.au
 🌐 www.yourmove.org.au/schools

COCKBURN DIRECTORY

Butchers pantry

A low-waste bulk pantry, food, meat and cleaning supplies store. The butchers' pantry will take your orders in bulk, will refill your own containers, and provides meat in your own or biopak containers. Early years services wishing to source supplies are welcome. Fee applies

CONTACT

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78 Coolbellup Ave

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City of Cockburn Aboriginal Community Development

This position provides information and support for culturally appropriate programs, activities and events for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, carers and children living in the City of Cockburn. This position also refers Aboriginal parents/ carers to all the support services (including early years services) and programs that are appropriate. Information resources can be found on the [City of Cockburn website](#) and include The Beeliar Boodja booklet and Derbal Nara website about Nyungar history in the City of Cockburn and The Nyungar Tourist Trail at Port Coogee.

CONTACT

Aboriginal Community Development Officer

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🌐 www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/Community-Support/Aboriginal-and-Torres-Strait-Islander

City of Cockburn Children's Development Services

This position responds to the needs and interests of families with children 12 years and under. Programs include outdoor playgroup sessions; Froggy's Fun on the Green, and annual events such as Teddy Bears Picnic, Froggy's Fun with Fathers. A parent e-news 'Cockburn Kids' is compiled a couple of times per term and this position also supports a Children's Reference Group.

CONTACT

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Joan de Castro, Children's Development Officer

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City of Cockburn Family Day Care Service

City of Cockburn FDC Service supports registered FDC educators with all related aspects for the provision of early childhood education and care. Cockburn FDC utilises practices and actions of sustainability in their playgroup sessions and support services. A fee applies.

CONTACT

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City of Cockburn Libraries

Cockburn Libraries is dedicated to promoting universal literacy through their collections and programs both within the library and within the community. We provide opportunities to tie into our current programming and special activities in the community to promote literacy and the library. Events include: [Pram Jams Sessions](#) (0-2 years) and [Storytime Sessions](#) (2-5 years), 3 to 4 times per week during term time across three branches and family daycares are welcome to book in. Other specialist programs include [Creative Kids](#) (5+) at Coolbellup Library; [Bookstars](#) (5+) at Success Library and [LEGO](#) (5+) at all branches. For multicultural learners, the Library runs [Learning English Through Storytime \(LETS\)](#) and [Stories in Chinese](#) run by Cockburn Chinese Community Association (2-10 years) both at Success Library and bookings are required.

CONTACT

Coolbellup Library

🏠 90 Cordelia Ave, Coolbellup

☎ 9411 3830

Spearwood Library

🏠 9 Coleville Cres, Spearwood

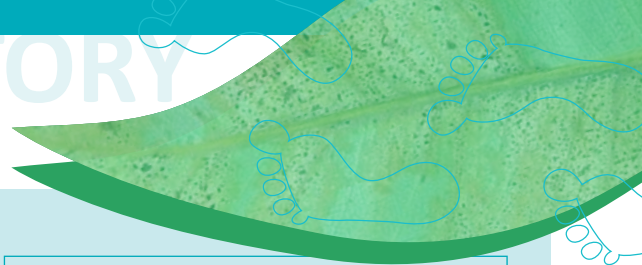
☎ 9411 3800

Success Library

🏠 11 Wentworth Parade, Success

☎ 9411 3840

🌐 library.cockburn.wa.gov.au



City of Cockburn Reuse Shop

Shop based at Henderson Waste Recovery Park, diverting reusable materials from landfill. The Reuse Shop can provide de-gassed fridges to early childhood services for use as worm farms for a small fee and can also provide loose parts play/nature play materials that cannot be sold in the Reuse Shop for free.

CONTACT

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City of Cockburn Waste Services

Waste Services deliver a range of educational programs around the 'reduce, reuse, recycle' theme:

- ❖ Tours to Regional Resource Recovery Centre – ages 6+
- ❖ Tours to Henderson Waste Recovery Park – ages 5+
- ❖ 1 hour incursions and activities including magnet making, paper making, which bin game, waste memory game etc.
- ❖ Assistance with setting up compost bins/worm farms/recycling systems
- ❖ Provision of battery recycling bins.

Free downloadable 'Which Bin' posters online [here](#).

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Cockburn Community Men's Shed

The Cockburn Men's Shed is able to construct items as required by early years and if they are suitable for our skill levels. This could include things such as wooden benches, wooden toys, rocking horses etc and it may include assistance in playgrounds or for fundraising. Small welding jobs may also be done as a partnership but the Men's Shed is not a workshop and items are completed over time. The men's shed is situated in the Cockburn Arc area so generally work for people in this local area. Contact Mike with your ideas to open the discussions.

CONTACT

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Connecting Community 4 Kids

Connecting Community for Kids works collaboratively with Government agencies, service providers such as early years centres and community groups to support and improve the well-being and development of children across Cockburn & Kwinana regions. Their vision is to build strong, safe communities where together with assistance all children can thrive.

CONTACT

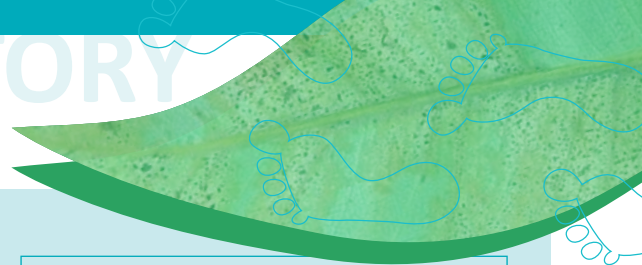
🏠 90 Cordelia Ave, Coolbellup, 6163
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Cooby Cares

Cooby Cares is a volunteer organisation working in Cockburn, Fremantle and Melville that provides food boxes, toiletries, cleaning products, bed linen, towels and baby items to those struggling with social or financial opportunities. This includes single parents, people with disabilities, unemployed and under employed. Feel free to share our services to your early years families and there may be opportunities for early years to partner with this organisation as a community collection project.

CONTACT

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Harvest Lakes Residents Association

HLRA is a Community Group for Residents of the Harvest Lakes subdivision within the suburb of Atwell and have been recipients of Sustainability Grants from the City of Cockburn for work to revegetate local wetlands. While it is not practical for pre-school children to participate in scheduled work within wetlands, they are welcome to be involved in planting in dry areas and participating in our annual celebration of International Mud Day. This is a popular, free event for young children, held in June each year. Local Pre-school groups are welcome to participate and local centres are provided with flyers prior to the event.

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Klean & Green Environmental Presentations

Lee Durrant presents incursions, activities and information sessions for staff and primary school students, to help combat litter and waste reduction. Examples of interactions with younger students include animal care sessions, and waste audits.

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Meerilinga Children and Family Centre

Meerilinga Children and Family Centre is a child centred hub for families to connect with each other and the community. The Children and Family Centre has a variety of services for families to support early childhood development, including Early Learning Programs, Playgroups, Parenting Support and resources, Child Health Services, Speech Therapy, Toy Libraries and community groups.

Meerilinga Training College is a registered RTO and offers the Certificate III and Diploma in Early Education and Care from Meerilinga Cockburn.

Meerilinga Cockburn has a strong commitment to sustainable practices and role model this to our children and families to be mindful of our footprint on the land on which we work and play. Membership fees apply.

CONTACT

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 Centre Director – Navin Bhandari
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Native Arc - Cockburn

Native ARC Inc. is a not for profit wildlife rehabilitation centre in the Beeliar Wetlands. Native ARC offers curriculum integrated incursions and excursions to local schools (K-12) that engage students with issues of sustainable living, connection to land and self and the importance of biodiversity. For over 20 years Native ARC has been providing [education to schools](http://education.to.schools) in the Perth Metro area. Native Arc also supports the Cockatoo Kids Club Holiday Program for 6-17 year olds. Membership gives you one free event each holiday period to meet native wildlife and/or become advocates for conserving habitats.

CONTACT

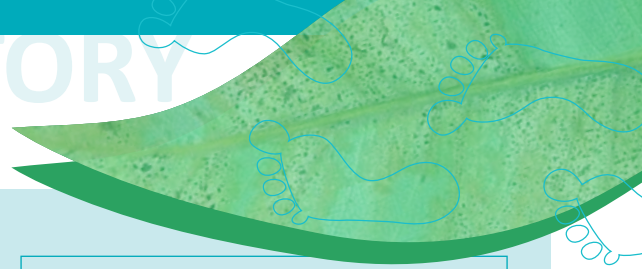
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 ☎️ 9417 7105
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 🌐 www.nativearc.org.au/get-involved/cockatoo-kids-club

South Lake Ottey Family and Neighbourhood Centre

South Lake Ottey Family Centre is a focal point for meeting others. It provides a friendly environment where all people are welcome and feel they belong, reflecting the needs of the community and the individual. The centre runs two playgroups that community members can access as well as Youth Programs working with the local schools. There are also parenting courses on offer and a membership fee of \$5 per year applies.

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 🌐 <https://otteycentre.org/>



Telethon Kids Institute - Ngulluk Koolunga Ngulluk Koort (Our Children, Our Heart) Project

This five-year project (2016 to 2020) is working with the Aboriginal community in Perth, to improve outcomes for Aboriginal children (aged 0 to 6 years) and their families. The focus is on identifying the foundations for raising strong and solid Koolunga – the values, priorities and beliefs around child rearing and the factors considered critical to raising healthy, confident and resilient children. The project is led by Elder Co-Researchers who provide cultural advice and direction to the project team on all aspects of the research including community engagement, data collection and analysis, dissemination and translation processes. The Elder Co-Researchers are accountable to the broader Perth Aboriginal community and have a cultural responsibility to secure a better future for all Aboriginal children.

One of the three priority areas identified through community engagement with the Perth Aboriginal community was early childhood education and care. The Early Childhood Education and Care Elder Sub-group consists of Aunty Oriel Green and Aunty Doris Hill, who help identify key issues and recommendations to provide a culturally appropriate fit with the personal values, perceptions and beliefs of parents and carers of Aboriginal children and the broader Aboriginal community.

Activities could include Elders attending Little Green Steps WA workshops to have a yarn about the Ngulluk Koolunga Ngulluk Koort project and discuss their thoughts and recommendations.

We have created a [resource booklet](#) to help parents and carers give advice in support of the child's cultural needs to education and care services.

CONTACT

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