

# WELCOME TO OUR

## **Monthly Newsletter**

# February Updates & Highlights – Stay Connected!

As we step into a new month, we are excited to share updates, upcoming events, and highlights from our programs. February is all about community, well-being, and new opportunities, with exciting workshops, celebrations, and ways to stay connected.

In this edition, you'll find details on our new programs, staff highlights, special events, and helpful well-being tips. We encourage everyone to get involved and make the most of what's coming up this month!

Happy reading, and we look forward to another great month together!



### **Meet David our New Team Member**

Welcome to the Team, David!

We are excited to welcome **David** as our new **Brand Ambassador & Admin Assistant** at Yay Today.

David has been a participant with us, and his dream was to one day work at Yay Today. We are thrilled to share that his dream has come true, and he has now joined our team to support us in the office.







### **Employee of the Month - Alon**

Alon has been an outstanding support worker, demonstrating dedication, responsibility, and a strong commitment to his clients. He consistently goes above and beyond to ensure they receive the best possible support, always organising and managing tasks efficiently while prioritising their well-being.

**Thank you, Alon,** for your hard work and the positive impact you make every day!







We are excited to introduce Pathway to Wellness, a program designed to promote relaxation, self-awareness, and overall well-being. Through mindfulness, activities like self-exploration, yoga, and participants will have the opportunity to unwind, and connect in a supportive environment.

Thursdays, 1:00 - 4:00 PM



## Valentine's Day Celebration

Join us for a fun cooking and baking class to celebrate Valentine's Day! Whether you're making sweet treats or delicious dishes, it's a great way to enjoy the day, learn new skills, and share the love through food.

Come along for a session full of creativity, laughter, and tasty delights!







### **Unbound Art Award 2025**

## SHOWCASING EMERGING TALENT IN BENDIGO

Shortlisted and selected artworks will be exhibited at Dudley House from 10–23 February 2025.

### Prizes:

- Category Winners: \$650 + the opportunity to exhibit at prominent Bendigo locations, including Omari.
- Highly Commended: \$250 An incredible opportunity for artists to gain recognition and share their work with the community!

### Write Us Feedback

## DO YOU HAVE ANY FEEDBACK TO GIVE US?

Feel free to share your thoughts and suggestions about our services. You can choose to remain anonymous if you prefer; what matters most is hearing from you. Help us enhance our services and better serve our community.



# Random Acts of Kindness Day

## SMALL ACTS, BIG IMPACT - LET'S SPREAD KINDNESS ON 17 FEBRUARY

Kindness has the power to brighten someone's day and create a positive ripple effect community. Random our Kindness Acts of **Day** is great opportunity to spread joy through small, thoughtful gestures.

Whether it's helping a friend, giving a compliment, sharing a smile, or writing a kind note, every act of kindness makes a difference. We encourage all staff and participants to take part—let's celebrate kindness and make our community even more supportive and welcoming.

Together, small actions can have a big impact!











## **Highlights from Our Creative Workshop**

#### CREATIVE WORKSHOP SPOTLIGHT - DESIGNING OUR OWN BOARD GAMES

Our participants let their imagination run wild in our latest Creative Workshop, designing their very own board games! From crafting unique rules to creating "Curses and Blessings" cards, each game was a reflection of their creativity and problemsolving skills.

It was an inspiring session filled with laughter, teamwork, and innovative ideas!







## **Celebrating a Special Birthday**

#### CREATING JOYFUL MOMENTS TOGETHER

We had the pleasure of celebrating one of our client's birthdays at our program! The day was filled with smiles, laughter, and great memories, making it a truly special occasion for everyone.

We love bringing people together to celebrate and create unforgettable moments!





## **Exciting Saturday Programs This February!**

#### FUN, FITNESS & EXPLORATION EVERY WEEKEND

Join us every **Saturday from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM** for a series of exciting and enriching workshops! Each week features a unique activity designed to inspire, engage, and bring people together.

- ◆ 1/2 Water Adventure Day Dive into fun at ARC Narre Warren with swimming, water aerobics, and more!
- 8/2 Hawthorn Tram Museum & Burnley Gardens Explore vintage trams and enjoy a relaxing day in nature.
- 15/2 Outdoor Activities -Refresh your body and mind with light fitness and fun exercises in the park.
- 22/2 Explore Melbourne Discover iconic cultural landmarks like ACMI, the State Library, and Melbourne Central.

Don't miss out - come along for adventure, learning, and great company!

