

WELCOME TO OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

What's Happening at YAY Today This June

June is shaping up to be an exciting month at YAY Today, with plenty to celebrate, explore, and look forward to.

In this edition, we're sharing moments from our community, stories from our participants, updates from our programs, and some exciting activities coming up for winter.

Grab a cuppa, have a read, and see what's been happening at YAY Today, and what's coming next.



Employee of the Month: Brigit

Congratulations to Brigit, our Employee of the Month for June!

Brigit brings warmth, care, and dedication to her role every day.

Her kind and supportive approach helps create a positive experience for the people she works with, and we are grateful for the meaningful contribution she makes to the YAY Today community.



Congrats Brigit from the YAY Today team!

A New Face at YAY Today: Funda

Meet Funda!

She's our Team Lead for Support Coordination and has over 5 years of experience in the disability sector.

Funda is all about helping NDIS participants feel supported, reach their goals, and get the most out of their supports.

She's especially passionate about mental health, early childhood intervention, and creating inclusive spaces where everyone feels respected and valued.



Welcome to the team, Funda!

Good Company and New Adventures

A chat with Gavin about his experience with YAY Today respite.

Tell us about yourself:

Gavin: I consider myself stuck in the 80s! I love collecting toys, playing guitar, and reading books.

What do you enjoy doing with YAY Today?

I enjoy the respite! I like going out, because if it wasn't for YAY Today, I would be stuck in my bedroom. And I enjoy the good company and going out with my support workers.

Can you share a fun or memorable moment you've had with YAY Today?

We went once to the Kryal Castle. The weather was cold and rainy. I like rainy days. I also had a lot of fun while going in a boat in Phillip Island.

Is there something you've enjoyed learning or trying with YAY Today?

I got more confident driving my wheelchair. I realized on my respites that there are many more places to explore, and the world is a very big place.

What are some of your favorite things to do in your free time?

My favorite things are watching cartoons, playing guitar, and reading books.



Half-price Public Transport

Great news for everyone that takes public transportation!

After public transport was free across Victoria in April and May, fares will now be half price from this month until 1 January 2027.

This makes it easier and more affordable to get out and about, attend YAY Today activities, visit favourite places, and explore the community.

Lower transport costs can also help build confidence with travel, enjoy more social outings, stay connected with others, and take part in new experiences with support.



Office renovation

Our builders have been hard at work putting the finishing touches on our refreshed office and class space.

We're excited to share that our Ormond space should reopen the week of June 15, and we can't wait to welcome everyone back.

More details will be shared soon, including the official opening day.



Highlights from May

May brought some exciting changes and fresh experiences at YAY Today. While settling into our temporary Frankston space, everyone continued to make the most of each week with a mix of creative sessions, social activities, and hands-on learning. A highlight was our Espresso Sunrise iced coffee class. It was great to see everyone adapting, joining in, and making the space feel full of YAY Today spirit.



**Interested in joining our classes and activities?
Get in touch to book your spot.**



5 June

World Environment Day

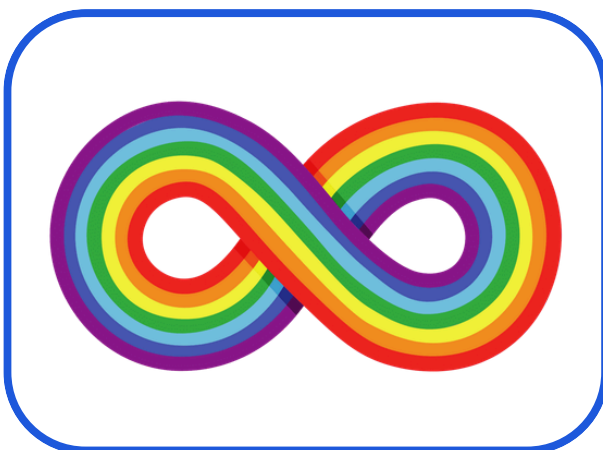
A reminder for everyone to care for our planet by making small, positive choices that help protect nature and create a healthier future.



15–21 June

Men's Health Week

This week encourages men and boys to check in on their physical, mental, and emotional wellbeing, and to start important conversations about health.



18 June

Autistic Pride Day

A day to celebrate neurodiversity, inclusion, and the strengths and experiences of autistic people in our community.



21 June

Winter Solstice

It's the shortest day and longest night of the year. It's a special time to slow down, stay cosy, and enjoy the little things that bring warmth.

Adventure Day at Sovereign Hill on June 8

Join us for a fun adventure day as we step back in time and explore an old town experience together. Discover what life was like during the gold rush, and take part in exciting activities like panning for real gold or a candy making demonstration.



Winter Holiday Program

Our Holiday Program is back, and we can't wait to welcome participants for two weeks of fun, creativity, learning, and connection.

The program is packed with a great mix of activities, including sports, cooking, art, wellness, barista classes, karaoke, creative workshops, and special outings in the community.



Girls Day - 4 July

We're bringing back Girls Day! It's all about relaxing, having fun, and enjoying time together. You can choose your favourite pampering activities, from nails and hair to skincare and makeup, while sharing snacks, laughs, and connecting with friends in a safe and supportive space.



**Contact Einat to book your spot or ask any questions:
0466 986 540 or rostering@yaytoday.com.au**

June Saturday Program

Saturday 6 June – Winter in the Glade

Take in the seasonal atmosphere, explore the live music, and make the most of a fun winter experience.

Saturday 13 June – Day at Botanic Gardens

Enjoy a refreshing day outdoors surrounded by beautiful gardens, open spaces, and peaceful walking paths.

Saturday 20 June – Film & videogames exhibition

Explore the exciting world of movies and videogames through a fun, interactive exhibition. Perfect for anyone who enjoys creativity, pop culture, games, and screen stories.

Saturday 27 June – Movie day

Join us for a relaxed movie day with friends. We will confirm the movie closer to the date, so stay tuned!

Day Program June 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	Cooking Class 10am-1:30pm Art Class 1:30pm-4:30pm	Barista Class 10am-1:30pm Cooking Class 1:30pm-4:30pm	Creative Workshop 10am-1pm Cooking Class 10am-1pm Wellness Class 1pm-4pm	Psychosocial Skills 11am-2pm Yay to Friday 2pm-6pm	Winter in the Glade 5pm-8pm
8 Day trip to Sovereign Hill 8:45am-5:45pm	Cooking Class 10am-1:30pm Art Class 1:30pm-4:30pm	Barista Class 10am-1:30pm Cooking Class 1:30pm-4:30pm	Creative Workshop 10am-1pm Cooking Class 10am-1pm Wellness Class 1pm-4pm	Psychosocial Skills 11am-2pm Yay to Friday 2pm-6pm	Day at Botanic Gardens 10:30am-1:30pm
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29 Sports Day Fun 10am-1pm	Cooking Class 10am-1:30pm Art Class 1:30pm-4:30pm				

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