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Pick My Project - The Hype About the Hive

Pick My Project is a community grants initiative of the Victorian State Government which allows members of the community to decide how government funding should be used to support community projects. There is a total of \$30 million available for community projects across Victoria.

Community organisations were invited to submit applications for funding for their community projects. The decision on which projects will be funded is now up to the local community.

Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN, in partnership with Horsham College, has submitted an application for funding for a Community Engagement Shed - 'The Hive'

The project funding will enable a derelict unused school building to be refurbished and turned into a community asset for all members of our community.

To find out more about 'The Hive' go to the Pick My Project Website: <https://pickmyproject.vic.gov.au/rounds/pick-my-project/ideas/the-hive-horsham-community-engagement-shed>

Click to watch the '[How to vote](#)' video.

PICK OUR Community PROJECT



PICK OUR Community PROJECT 'The Hive'

Horsham Community Engagement Shed



We need your vote to turn an old derelict school building into a 'hive' of activity for all members of the community.

Vote for our project on the Pick My Project website: pickmyproject.vic.gov.au.

Voting will open at 9am on Monday 13 August 2018
and will close at 5pm on Monday 17 September 2018.

To vote you will need to:

- Be a Victorian resident
- Be aged 16 and over
- Register for an account on the Pick My Project website
- Have an active email address
- Have a mobile phone number
- Provide a street address and postcode

PICK MY PROJECT

Once you have registered, you can select your voting area by searching for your street address or locality, or dropping a pin on the map. You'll be shown a minimum of 30 projects in your local community from which you'll be able to vote for your three favourite projects.

Young authors launch dual-language books

Students from Nhill Lutheran School have published another series of dual language Karen-English children's books which were launched on Friday 24 August. This series of books follows on from the first series which was published in 2016.

Three of the eight authors of this series of books, also produced a book in the first series.

This publishing project was an initiative of the Nhill Community Action Network which identified a need for children's books for Karen migrant families in Nhill. Students at Nhill Lutheran School have been learning the Karen language as their Language Other Than English (LOTE) subject and took on this project as part of their LOTE studies.

Students were required to illustrate and write their story and translate it into the Karen Language. With the support of their Karen language teacher, eight students completed the project. Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN provided the graphic design services to prepare the manuscripts for professional printing.

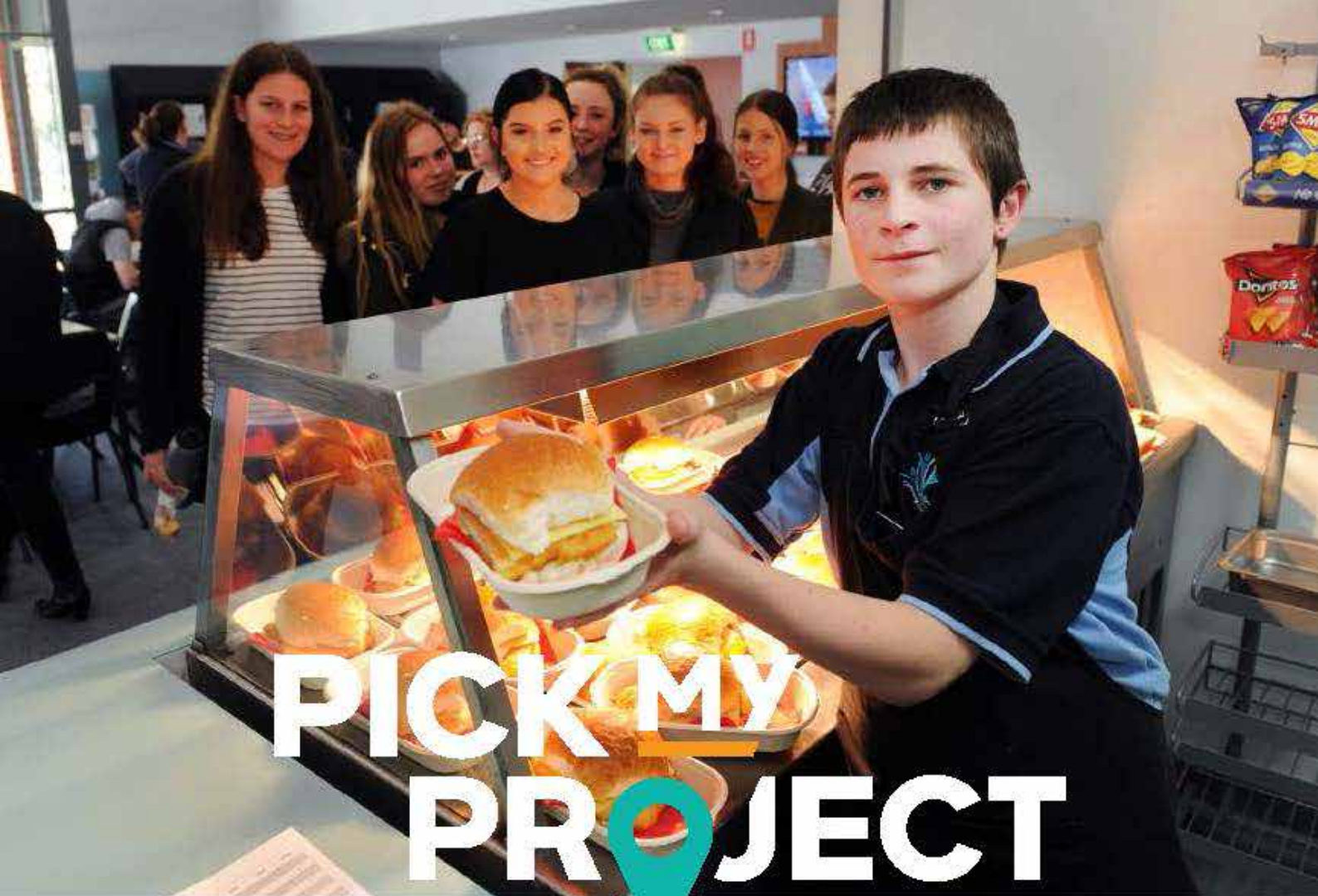
Many of the parents in the Karen migrant community are learning English, and these books, with the text written in English and Karen, enable parents to read with their children. The books have been made available through the Nhill Children's Hub. Karen families who take their children to the Maternal Child and Health Nurse for their 6 month, 12 month, 18 month and 3½ year check ups, will receive a free book as part of the Let's Read program. Members of the public can purchase sets of books from Nhill Lutheran School.



Seven of the eight authors (pictured below) were present for the launch. The Books were officially launched by Cr Debra Nelson from the Hindmarsh Shire. Each author symbolically launched their book by releasing it in the assembly hall, attached to helium balloons. Following the launch, authors were available to sign copies of their books which were purchased on the day.



Pictured from left: Alison Miller, Cory Coop, Zoá Mock, Matthew Reichelt, Starla Colbert, Kendra Clark, Clinton Crisp. (Absent, Natalie Hall)



Community Connection Café

VOTING IS NOW OPEN

This project aims to engage students exiting the secondary school system with a disability along with CALD women with ongoing, long-term employment in their chosen field. We will do this by providing ongoing opportunities to engage with pre-accredited training, accredited training, work experience, along with opportunities for linking participants into employment.

Creating a space where we can engage and create pathways through setting up a social enterprise will allow participants to build skills in hospitality, customer service, barista, Café operations, sculpture, painting and car detailing, whilst building additional skills in micro businesses and social enterprise.

Simply go online and vote by 5pm, Monday 17 September 2018.

pickmyproject.vic.gov.au/rounds/pick-my-project/ideas/community-connection-cafe



If you are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, contact us through the National Relay Service. For more information, www.relayservice.gov.au.



Book Week with ACE Radio

During Book Week, Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN partnered with ACE Radio to bring bed-time stories to life via Facebook.

Each night at 7 pm, a bedtime story read by an ACE Radio presenter was streamed via the Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN Facebook page.

If you missed these, you can view some of them via the links below. The aim of this initiative was to promote the importance of reading and to encourage parents to read to their children.



Piranhas Don't Eat Bananas
<https://youtu.be/ukmUMB3g9fQ>



Arty Farty Marty
<https://youtu.be/kvr7iSxm4c8>



Where is the Green Sheep
<https://youtu.be/33YBlieBtBs>



Do Not Open This Door
<https://youtu.be/Z7L9lRaiQFU>



No One Likes a Fart
<https://youtu.be/sygRqfex1os>



Koala Bare
<https://youtu.be/kV-mMvCeK5c>



Pig the Pug
<https://youtu.be/rHFRpLHCW3I>



Possum Magic
<https://youtu.be/umn4Zpprnoc>

Kids who read, succeed!

Win, Win, Win!

The Reading Buddies Program is a Win, Win Win program!

Find out why: <http://www.llen.com.au/win-win-win/>

If you or someone you know are able to spend one hour a week reading with a child in a local school, please contact us at the LLEN on 03 53810122



Industry Tours

Thank you to businesses who supported Horsham College students by offering industry tours on 23 August. Students were able to visit local businesses and gain an insight into local employment opportunities, what employers look for in an employee and training pathways into a range of local jobs. Thank you to Oscar Furniture, Oscar Building, O'Connors, Morrow Motor Group, Smalldaire, William Adams and Skillinvest for providing these opportunities for our young people.

The aim of the day is to showcase Horsham companies allowing students to see what employment opportunities are presently available and also for when they leave school. Additionally, it provided a chance for employers to explain what personal traits they expect and discuss their employment conditions. Some key points for the day included the ongoing need to continually advance workplace and personal skills as the traditional trades are rapidly changing. For example, a traditional heavy diesel mechanic now will complete two qualifications with William Adams. Over a five year apprenticeship both Diesel mechanic and Auto electronic qualifications are jointly completed.

This enables that both employees and employers can maintain and repair new systems. The evolution of automated systems was a real eye opener for students who were surprised by how much automation is within Horsham. Another area for major change soon is the automotive industry. With the development and further introduction of electric cars and possibly hydrogen automation, the internal combustion engine will become less of a priority in training. Computer diagnosis and problem solving are becoming a priority in this sector.

Student reflections included:

*It was good to see what industries are around Horsham.
I got a look behind the counter of some businesses and see what they do.
The ability to meet and ask managers questions was great.
The information we received about jobs was very helpful.
Different types of jobs and technology used was amazing.
Shows what we can do locally.*



Youth Mentor Training Schedule

Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN (WSMLLEN) are pleased to be working to provide our community with free quality training in Youth Mentoring to support the MATES Mentoring Program, Connecting the Service Puzzle crime diversion initiative, and informal mentoring roles within our communities.

Youth mentors provide our young people with positive role models who mentor, assist, target, engage and enhance the skills and life experiences of young people.

Further information or to arrange alternative training please contact:

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BOOKING INFORMATION:

To register, please call WSMLLEN on

(03) 5381 0122 or email mary.bysouth@llen.com.au

INFORMATION SESSIONS – 2018

Information sessions guide potential mentors through the commitment, expectations, mentee profiles, training, benefits and policies.

Information sessions run 'live' on Facebook and are pre-announced. Potential mentors can obtain the necessary information by engaging with the live sessions, visiting www.llen.com.au/mates, or by contacting Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN.

TRAINING – Full Day

Mentors can attend 1 full day training event to complete all 3 key session topics. The full day sessions run from 9:30am – 4:00pm

Dates Tuesday 7th August
 Tuesday 11th September
 Tuesday 9th October

*Alternative full day session times are also offered to group (corporate or community) with more than 4 representatives. Days and dates are negotiable.

TRAINING – Evening Series

Mentors have an afterhours option and can attend 3 consecutive Monday evenings from 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Series 13th Aug / 20th Aug / 27th Aug
 17th Sept / 24th Sept / 1st Oct
 22nd Oct / 29th Oct / 5th Nov



Training for professionals, carers, family &
friends of individuals who have
Self-Destructive Behaviours
in our Community.
Mental Health—Walk the Talk!



**CENTRE for
PARTICIPATION**

ABN: 69 130 594 302

is presenting a 2 day training workshop in partnership with ...

‘An Introduction To Working With Individuals Who Have Self-Destructive Behaviours’

[This is a pre-requisite for the 3 day training ‘Facilitating the SAFE in Oz Consumer Recovery Program’]

Monday & Tuesday

10th & 11th September 2018

CENTRE for PARTICIPATION

39 Urquhart Street
Horsham VIC 3400

\$440.00 [Inclusive of GST]

If you register and pay **at least 30 days BEFORE** the commencement of the workshop you will
qualify for our Early Bird payment of **\$400.00** [incl GST]

Light refreshments will be provided - **BYO Lunch**

Day 1 - 9am for 9.15am prompt start until 4.30pm

Day 2 - 9am prompt start until 4.30pm

There are strictly limited places available for this workshop.

A hard copy of the Registration Form can be accessed at www.safeinoz.com.au

or contact Annie for an electronic version. Upon receipt of your completed
Registration Form a Tax Invoice will be issued for payment and a place secured
in the workshop. **This workshop is accredited for 6 CPE points with ACWA.**



If you require any further information please contact;

Annie - 03 5176 2616

[Office hours Tuesday - Thursday 9am - 4pm EST]

Perdie said ... *“I am a 32 year old person. I say person because I don’t know who I really am. I have the body of a disfigured woman and the mind of a dead soul. Self-harming for me is a physical manifestation of the extreme internal distress and trauma I feel each day of my life. The feelings of guilt, shame and self-hatred for what I allowed to happen in the past. It is my punishment, yet release from this intense inner pain”....*

Further testimonies, poetry, music and art can be accessed at www.safeinoz.com.au
under ‘Sharing the Experience’ - ‘Self-Abuse Finally Ends’ page...

Contributions to News You Can Use

Anyone wishing to contribute news or information about events, is welcome to submit articles for inclusion in the WSMLEEN Newsletter. Articles can be forwarded to info@llen.com.au

WSMLEEN reserves the right not to include items deemed to be incompatible with the purpose of the LLEN.

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Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN is a recognised Gold Skilled Workplace with 100% of our current staff having completed the Youth Mental Health first aid training. We highly recommend YMHA training for everyone who works with young people.

To find out more about being a skilled MHFA workplace, or to apply for recognition for your organisation, go the Mental Health First Aid website:

<https://mhfa.com.au/cms/mental-health-first-aid-skilled-workplace-initiative>

The Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN Newsletter is sent electronically to over 300 people across the region.