

»» NEWSLETTER ««

# KFC QUARTERLY



Empowering the Karratha Community



## TOP NEWS OF THE QUARTER



### OUR CENTRE, OUR COMMUNITY



Our Centre is dedicated to providing low to no cost support programs and training for the community of Karratha. As a not-for-profit association we pride ourselves on working with the community for the community, and strive to be an inclusive, supportive, safe space for all members of Karratha and the surrounding suburbs. We welcome any suggestions, involvement, feedback and/or partnerships with community members, to better our Centre and services.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Hayley and I have just joined the Karratha Family Centre in the Centre Coordinator / Operations Manager role! I have lived in Karratha for 15 years and am now raising my 3 children in our wonderful city.

Wow, what a huge start to the year we have had. There have been lots of changes this term and many new faces involved with the Centre. We are off to a flying start and I can't wait to connect and grow with our community.

### CENTRE COORDINATOR UPDATE

By Hayley Newton Cearns



# OUR CURRENT PROGRAMS *and services*

## SCHOOL READINESS

Mon/ Tues/ Wed/ Thur : 9am - 1pm  
Structured Drop & Go  
3-4yr olds

Our School Readiness programs have been off to a fantastic start with all children settling in well and connecting with their educators and other children.

We welcomed Miss Barbara to our Karratha Family Centre team, and also welcomed back Miss Danni and Miss Sarah from our readiness program last year. All educators have been impressed by how quickly the children have picked up the routine and jumped in to learning kindy behaviours such as lining up and sitting on the mat for group sessions.

Our new programming structure has been working great this year and has allowed all sessions to incorporate sensory exposure activities, arts and craft, gross and fine motor experiences, as well as literacy and numeracy activities.

We are now taking enrolments for TERM 2 and have vacancies for all 4 days.

Contact us to secure your spot:  
[admin@karrathafamilycentre.com.au](mailto:admin@karrathafamilycentre.com.au)

## ➤➤➤ BABY & ME PLAYGROUP

Mon 9:30-11am ~ Stay & Play

We have welcomed a few new little ones to our baby playgroup and love meeting some brand new mums. Our Baby & Me Playgroup has been off to a slow start this term and we are considering making some changes to the timing and/or day to be able to better cater to families needs around naps etc. Any feedback or suggestions are welcome and can be directed to our admin team.

## ➤➤➤ FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

Fridays 9am -11am ~ Stay & Play

Our Casual Friday Playgroup had a great start to the year and it's been fantastic to see lots of regular and new faces. We are averaging about 15 families per playgroup session and now the weather is starting to cool down, we will be taking full advantage of our fenced in nature play yard.

Hali is our fantastic Playgroup Coordinator and is always busy preparing lots of great sensory play experiences such as; ocean mini worlds using ice, and cereal rainbow smash play! Come along and connect through play with your little ones! For those of you who don't know, we offer term memberships at a discounted rate.



## SCHOOL READINESS GROUPS

Parents and carers: please find your child's private school readiness group and request to join!

Head to our Facebook page and select 'about'

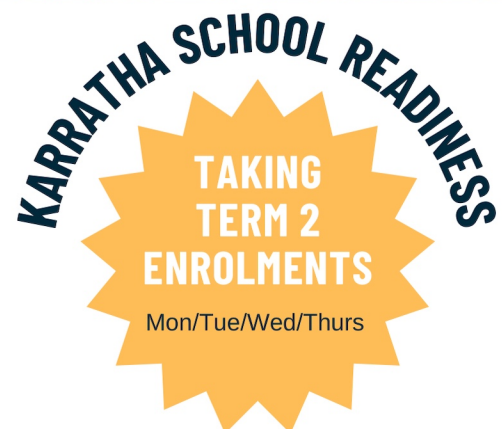
Scroll down to groups and select 'see all'

Find your child's group and select 'join'

## TOY LIBRARY

The Humpty Dumpty Toy Library is continuing to offer a range of toys for loan to the HDTL members. We welcome any new members, just enquire on our socials or pop in to see Bek, our amazing Toy Library manager.

Unfortunately we are not offering our jumping castle hire at the moment and we are looking into options to offer this service.



# EVENTS & TRAINING

The Karratha Family Centre aim to provide community events, training and support opportunities wherever possible, and started off the year with a great community Meet & Greet event at our Centre. Throughout term 1, we kick started our year with our regular School Readiness programs and Playgroups. We hosted our first Family Movie Night, and a special Easter Playgroup event. In term 2 we will be incorporating 2 new fun filled Drop & Go afternoon sessions for school age children, a volunteer luncheon for all our special helpers, as well as another couple of movie night experiences. We will be hosting "Child Protection" training as well as Guiding Children's Behaviour courses to upskill our staff and the community.

## UPCOMING....

### >>> FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS



## SUPPORTING PARTNERSHIP

We have recently connected with the Population Health Nurses of WA Country Health Service to support their drop-in vaccine clinics. These clinics will be held in multiple locations across Karratha and specifically at the Karratha Family Centre.

Next clinic at Karratha Family Centre :Wed 15th May 2024  
No booking required

### >>> DATE NIGHT: DROP & GO

Are you in need of a date night??? Drop the kids off with us at the Family Centre for a fun movie night while you have a kid free dinner or get together with friends.

**Saturday 11th May 6pm - 8:30pm, movie and popcorn \$35 per child**



### >>> DROP & GO AFTERNOONS

In **Term 2** The Karratha Family Centre will be offering two Drop & Go flexible sessions catered for primary school age children. These sessions are a great social opportunity for children without the competitive nature of sports or skill based classes. With flexible timing, these sessions allow parents to drop off and pick up at any time between 3-5pm and allow for children to connect and explore common interests.

**CONSTRUCTION TUESDAYS** - Tuesday afternoons for all the little builders out there! Plenty of LEGO, block building, large and small scale construction activities.

**ARTS & CRAFTS THURSDAYS** - Thursday afternoons are for all the creative minds or just for any children who like creating, colouring, folding, painting, and/or drawing!  
Taking registrations NOW!

# OUR INITIATIVE: *Outdoor Rejuvenation Project*

AT THE KARRATHA FAMILY CENTRE WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR WAYS TO UPGRADE OUR ENVIRONMENT, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES. OUR CURRENT FOCUS IS ON REJUVENATING OUR OUTDOOR PLAY SPACE.

## WHATS NEW?

### ►►► SANDPIT REPLENISHMENT

Thanks to Corps Group



Dibsy's Gardening Services



And also to our wonderful centre volunteers



### ►►► COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Thanks to Roebourne Town Work Camp!



### ►►► SHED ORGANISATION

Thanks to our wonderful centre volunteers



## WHAT WE NEED!

We could use the support of local businesses, clubs and/or organisations to further support us with our rejuvenation project

Can you help us with.....

- Signage
- Gardening donations & volunteers
- Funding for new equipment
- Volunteer nature enthusiasts
- Shade sails
- Tree lopping
- Fake turf (supply and/or lay)
- Edging/ sandpit borders
- Building outdoor equipment

As a not-for-profit we work with a very limited budget and greatly appreciate donations, sponsorships and/or resource support where ever possible.

## SPONSORSHIPS & PARTNERSHIPS

We love to connect with other associations or companies to support our community.

We are very open to partnering with organisations or businesses for the betterment of the Karratha community.

If you have an idea, event, or program which you think we may be able to help with, please get in touch.

Alternatively, we also could use the support of local businesses to sponsor the operations of our wonderful programs! As a not-for-profit we work with a very limited budget and greatly appreciate donations, sponsorships and/or resource support wherever possible.

## WHATS NEXT?

### ►►► NATURE CLUB

The Karratha Family Centre is looking to start up a Nature Club. This will be a weekly nature play session for children aged 3-5years and will be based on learning & exploring natural resources and the outdoor environment. Think twigs, leaves and dirt based craft, rock collecting, and insect hunting and exploration.

### ►►► SENSORY GARDENS

Our aim is to build up some sensory gardens within our outdoor play space and grow veggies, fruits, flowers and herbs which enhance sensory exploration, whilst also providing fresh produces for our community.

*In use.....*



# THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY

The Karratha Family Centre could not run without the support of so many wonderful people. From our amazing staff, reliable board members, contributing local businesses, and the many many community volunteers.

## STAFF IN SPOTLIGHT

**Lisa Vincent -  
Program Coordinator**



Thank you to this amazing women! She truly is the superstar that holds all of our events and programs together and an intrigued part of our team. Thank you for EVERYTHING you do for us! Your positive attitude, smiling face, and willingness to get involved is an inspiration and our centre is truly lucky to have you at the helm.

## The Board

As a not-for-profit incorporated association, we are run by a board of wonderful volunteers, who meet on a regular basis to contribute and aid in the governing of the Karratha Family Centre.

**Chairperson: Sarah Roots**

*Chairperson@karrathafamilycentre.com.au*

**Vice Chairperson: Leah Lobato**

*Vicechair@karrathafamilycentre.com.au*

**Acting Treasurer: Kelly Newbold**

*Treasurer@karrathafamilycentre.com.au*

**Secretary: Lexy Roodnat**

*Secretary@karrathafamilycentre.com.au*

## THANKS TO OUR SUPPORTERS

THANK YOU TO BC LOCK & KEY, CORPS GROUP, DIBSY GARDENING SERVICES, KMART, ADEPT CONTRACTING, BLB CREATIVE, AND.....

## MONODELPHOUS



Thank you to Woolworths Karratha for always supporting our Centre and a lot of other community associations in Karratha. We are very lucky to have Woolworths Karratha provide our Centre with weekly fresh fruit for our School Readiness and Playgroup programs. Woolworths have also donated to our Easter playgroup.

Thank you to Monodelphous for our first grant of 2024! They have supported us to replace some damaged cupboards and upgrade our technology!

## WOOLWORTHS KARRATHA



## GRAND CENTRAL TAVERN



Thank you to GRAND CENTRAL TAVERN for giving us the opportunity to host their weekly meat raffle fundraiser! The proceeds will go towards helping run our family movie nights and supporting our Centre.





# KARRATHA FAMILY CENTRE TERM 2 - 2024



The Karratha family centre is a not for profit incorporations dedicated to empowering community members of Karratha to build social connections, learn new skills, contribute to and feel safe in our community.

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
APRIL WEEK 1	15	16 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	17 HD TOY LIBRARY SCHOOL READINESS	18 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	19 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	20	21 HD TOY LIBRARY
WEEK 2	22	23 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	24 HD TOY LIBRARY	25 ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	26 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	27	28
WEEK 3	29 BABY & ME	30 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	1 HD TOY LIBRARY	2 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	3 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	4	5 HD TOY LIBRARY
WEEK 4	6 BABY & ME	7 CRAFT WITH DEB CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	8 HD TOY LIBRARY	9 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	10 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	11 DATE NIGHT DROP & GO	12
WEEK 5	13 BABY & ME	14 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	15 HD TOY LIBRARY	16 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	17 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	18	19 HD TOY LIBRARY
WEEK 6	20 BABY & ME	21 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	22 VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON HD TOY LIBRARY	23 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	24 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	25	26
WEEK 7	27 BABY & ME	28 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	29 HD TOY LIBRARY	30 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	31 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	1	2 HD TOY LIBRARY
WEEK 8	3 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	4 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	5 HD TOY LIBRARY	6 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	7 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	8	9
WEEK 9	10 BABY & ME	11 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	12 HD TOY LIBRARY	13 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	14 HD TOY LIBRARY MOVIE NIGHT PLAYGROUP	15	16 HD TOY LIBRARY
WEEK 10	17 BABY & ME	18 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	19 HD TOY LIBRARY	20 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	21 HD TOY LIBRARY PLAYGROUP	22	23
WEEK 11	24	25 CONSTRUCTION DROP & GO	26 HD TOY LIBRARY	27 ARTS & CRAFT DROP & GO	28 HD TOY LIBRARY	29	30 HD TOY LIBRARY
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# KARRATHA FAMILY CENTRE

## 2024 Weekly Schedule

### MONDAY

#### SCHOOL READINESS

3-4 year olds  
9am- 1pm  
Drop & Go Termly program  
\$50 per day  
Structured Play-based learning

#### BABY & ME

Sensory Playgroup for 0-12mths  
9:30-11am  
Casual session or termly registration  
Meeting room · Tea & coffee  
\$10 per family

### TUESDAY

#### SCHOOL READINESS

3-4 year olds  
9am- 1pm  
Drop & Go Termly program  
\$50 per day  
Structured Play-based learning

#### AFTER SCHOOL DROP & GO

Construction Tuesdays  
3pm - 5pm flexible drop off/pick up  
5 - 10 year olds  
\$20 per child, per session  
casual or termly bookings

### WEDNESDAY

#### SCHOOL READINESS

3-4 year olds  
9am- 1pm  
Drop & Go Termly program  
\$50 per day  
Structured Play-based learning

#### HD TOY LIBRARY

Membership required  
9am - 10:30am

### THURSDAY

#### SCHOOL READINESS

3-4 year olds  
9am- 1pm  
Drop & Go Termly program  
\$50 per day  
Structured play-based learning

#### AFTER SCHOOL DROP & GO

Arts & Crafts Thursdays  
3pm - 5pm flexible drop off/pick up  
5 - 10 year olds  
\$20 per child / per session  
Casual or Termly bookings

### FRIDAY

#### PLAYGROUP

9am-11am  
Everyone welcome  
Casual session & Termly registration  
\$10 per family  
Fruit, tea & coffee provided

#### HD TOY LIBRARY

Membership required  
9am - 10:30am

### SAT

Available for  
venue hire

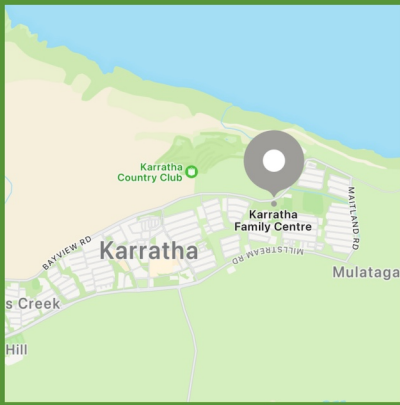
### SUN

Available for venue hire

#### HD TOY LIBRARY

Membership required  
Every second sunday





## OUR ADDRESS:

**880 BAYVIEW RD  
BULGARRA  
6714**

We are located behind Karratha Primary school, and before Bulgarra Oval. We have our own large car park just off Bayview road.



# JOIN US

The Karratha Family Centre aim to provide community events, training and support opportunities wherever possible for the wider community of Karratha.

We DO NOT run a membership program and instead we pride ourselves on our inclusivity and welcome EVERYONE to our events and programs. With no annual, monthly or membership fees of any kind, we welcome all community members to be a part of our family and simply encourage your participation within our Centre. Please spread the word amongst your family and friends to help us grow our association. Email us your enquiries, contribution opportunities, or to join our mailing list.

## >>> EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### Relief Program Assistant Staff :

We are currently looking for casual staff members who have flexible availability to step in to our current programs when needed at short notice. This may include assisting in our School Readiness program, After School programs, and/or Playgroup Coordination. Working with Children Check and Police Clearance are necessary, previous child related work is desirable.

Give us a call or send through your resume : [admin@karrathafamilycentre.com.au](mailto:admin@karrathafamilycentre.com.au)

## >>> VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

### General Board Member:

We are always looking for more general board members who may be willing to contribute to the decision making of our Centre.

### Treasurer:

Our Directors of the Board are seeking a committed Treasurer who has a keen interest in finances and budgeting to help support our Centre.



## GET IN TOUCH ...

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**IN PERSON:** Office open Monday-Thursday 8:30-2pm

