

NEWSLETTER

TERM 1, 2026

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

As we reach the end of the year, we want to thank everyone for being part of our community.

Your support through attending our programs, using our services and spending time at the Centre has made 2025 a wonderful year for Iramoo Community Centre. It has been a pleasure seeing people of all ages learn, create, connect and enjoy everything the Centre has to offer. We hope you have loved being here as much as we have loved welcoming you.

Our team is already planning for 2026, and we are excited to explore new programs and services that continue to reflect the needs and interests of our community.

From all of us at Iramoo, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We hope you enjoy time with family and friends and find a chance to rest and recharge over the break.

The Centre will be closed from 22 December and will re-open on Wednesday 14 January. We look forward to seeing everyone again and starting another positive and welcoming year together.

Thank you for your continued support of our team and our volunteers. Your involvement is what makes Iramoo a warm and inclusive place for all.

Renae, Centre Manager



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OPENING HOURS

Iramoo Community Centre will be closed from Monday 22nd December and will re-open on Wednesday 14th January

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to the Manor Lakes Community Fund for awarding Iramoo Community Centre \$1500 to go towards our Community Garden Project.

These funds will go towards setting up the garden so we can grow fruit, veg and herbs to donate to community members doing it tough.







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CHILDREN'S SERVICES & EARLY YEARS PROGRAMS

Iramoo Playgroup

We are now taking enrolments for Term 1, 2026 Playgroup!

Monday & Tuesdays, 9.00am - 11.00am.

\$60 for the first child and \$20 per sibling, per term.

Bookings Essential, phone 8742 3688.

VICSEG Burmese Playgroup

Wednesdays, 10.00am - 12.00pm, each school term.

Enquiries: Karen at VICSEG on 8754 0512.



SPIRITUAL & CULTURAL

Australian Youth Community Centre

Fridays, 1.00pm - 2.00pm.

Enquiries: Nasser on 0425 544 600.

Iglesia Ni Cristo

Mondays, 7.00pm - 10.00pm.

Enquiries: Romeo on 0402 338 411.

LOOKING FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN?

Upcoming School Holidays: Tuesday 7 April - Friday 17 April

Join us at Iramoo Community Centre for an action-packed school holiday program designed especially for kids aged 5–12 years!

Your child will dive into fun-filled activities, hands-on arts and crafts, exciting science experiments, and plenty of creative adventures.

It's the perfect way to learn, play, make friends, and stay entertained these school holidays.

Spaces are limited so book now and let the holiday fun begin!



LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT SPACE FOR YOUR NEXT EVENT OR

FUNCTION?

Iramoo Community Centre offers versatile room hire options ideal for parties, meetings, workshops, and community events. Our welcoming and accessible spaces include:

- Clean on-site toilets
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Safe outdoor play area perfect for kids' events
- Projector and sound equipment available

Whether you're planning a celebration, training session or casual gettogether, we have everything you need to make your event a success.

Contact us today on 9741 1225 or email admin@iramoocc.org.au to check availability.





ACTIVE OPTIONS

Rhapsody School of Ballet

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 4pm - 8.30pm.

For students aged from 4 years.

Adult Ballet, Stretch & Jazz Classes!

Enquiries: Cristelle on 0433 872 263 or email rhapsodyschoolofballet@gmail.com

Tuesday Walkers

Join our friendly walking group each Tuesday for a morning stroll followed by a cuppa & a chat.

Setting off at 9.30am from the Centre.

Enquiries: 8742 3688.

Yoga Moves West

Wednesdays 7.30pm - 8.30pm.

Come and join us as we move, stretch, work, sweat, breathe and be still.

Enquiries: Catherine 0416 009 024

BinGo Moves

Wednesdays from 10am, bookings 8742 3688.

A fun, interactive BinGo game that combines the excitement of Bingo with music and simple movement exercises.



NEED HELP FINDING LOCAL SERVICES?

Meet Mellina - Your Community Connector!

We're pleased to let you know that Mellina, Wyndham City Council's Community Connector, will now be available at Iramoo Community Centre on the first Wednesday of each month.

Mellina is here to help you navigate local services and supports. Whether you're looking for information on health services, family support, housing assistance, social groups, or any other community resource, she can guide you in the right direction and connect you with what's available locally.

This is a free and confidential service open to all community members.

Drop in or make an appointment to chat with Mellina at Iramoo Community Centre – it's a great first step if you're not sure where to start.

For more information or to book a time, contact Iramoo Community Centre at 8742 3688 or email admin@iramoocc.org.au.

Let Mellina help you get connected to the right support – your community is here for you!

When: First Wednesday of each month

Time: 8.30am - 3pm







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SOCIAL & SUPPORT

Morning Melodies for Seniors

3rd Monday of each month, from 10.30am - 11.30am.

\$10 per person, includes a light morning tea.

Bookings essential on 8742 3688

Senior Craft Session

1st Monday of each month, from 10am - 11am.

This is a FREE activity, bookings essential on 8742 3688.

Chronic Pain & Depression Support

Fortnightly on Wednesdays, 10.00am - 12.00pm.

Build friendships and supports. New members welcome.

Enquiries: Contact the centre on 8742 3688.

Wyndham Vale Men's Shed

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 9.00am - 2.00pm.

Located in the Wyndham Vale Reserve carpark.

Enquiries: Greg 0438 962 252.

Werribee Model Aircraft Club

Would you like to have a go at flying planes? Then this group is for you!

Fly remote control planes of all sizes. Everyone is welcome.

Enquiries: www.wmaa.org.au or email info@wmaa.org.au

Combined Probus Club of Wyndham

2nd Tuesday of each month, from 1.00pm.

Probus provides an exciting opportunity to meet retirees in your local community. If you're retired or semi-retired, you can join a Probus Club.

Enquiries: Kaye 0407 551 694.

Join us for a heartwarming morning of music, memories & good company at our

Monning Melodies

FEBRUARY 16

MARCH 16

APRIL 20

MAY 18

JUNE 15

JULY 20 **AUGUST 17**

SEPTEMBER 21

OCTOBER 19

NOVEMBER 16

Jennifer Lee - Olivia Newton John & Friends

Ron Kingston - Acoustic Favourites

Trish Simpson – 60's & 70's Hits

Alicia O'Brien - Rock & Roll is Here to Stay

Elia Cannizzo's Variety Show

Carol Taweel's Variety Show

Lino Ettia - Dancing Thru The Decades

Arnie Grives - The One Man Party

Adam Spicer's Random Variety Show

Paul Hogan's Swing Classics

Whether you're in the mood for a dance, a cuppa, or just a friendly chat, come along and enjoy the feel-good vibes.



10.30AM - 11.30AM



\$10 PER PERSON

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL. PHONE 8742 3688 TO BOOK YOUR **SPOT TODAY!**







ARTS & CRAFTS

Nurturing Minds Through Creativity

Tuesdays, 10.00am - 12.00pm.

Looking to participate in a facilitated art class that offers support, guidance and materials?

Nurturing Minds features a different art and craft activity each week so you can learn new skills, develop existing ones or just have a chat and a laugh with likeminded people.

Cost: \$10 per person, bookings essential on 8742 3688.

Artizzons Art Classes for Children

Saturday mornings for children from 6 years and up.

Classes focus on developing children's artistic skills and creativity.

Enquiries: Cathy Mackay on 0413 527 102 or email artizzon@gmail.com

Iramoo Quilters

4th Saturday of each month, 12.30pm - 4.00pm.

Join us for sharing and friendship.

Enquiries: Iramoo Community Centre on 8742 3688.

SewJo's

Mondays, 10.00am - 2.00pm.

Looking for a group of local friendly inclusive ladies who love to sew, crochet and knit? Bring along your current project, meet new people and enjoy a day of crafting.

Enquiries: Iramoo Community Centre on 8742 3688.

Patchwork at Iramoo

Thursdays, 10.00am - 2.00pm.

Do you want to finish that quilting project you started?

Come in for a cuppa and chat whilst working on a special patchwork or quilting project. Bring your materials with you.

Enquiries: Iramoo Community Centre on 8742 3688

WANT TO VOLUNTEER WITH US?

Make a difference where it matters most - right here in our community.

Iramoo Community Centre is a welcoming, inclusive place where people of all ages come together to learn, connect, and grow. We believe strong communities are built by individuals who care, and that's why volunteers play such an important role in everything we do.

We are currently looking for passionate, reliable community members who would like to contribute their time and skills. Whether you have a few hours a week or can help during special programs, your support can make a real and meaningful difference.

Current Volunteer Opportunities

Administration Support

Help keep the Centre running smoothly by assisting with reception, filing, customer service, and general office tasks. Great for anyone looking to kick-start a career in administration.

Brochure Delivery

Support our outreach efforts by delivering brochures and flyers to local areas. A simple way to help ensure our community knows about the programs, events, and services available to them.

Committee of Management

We are currently seeking an enthusiastic volunteer to join the Committee of Management and help shape its future.

School Holiday Program

Assist with children's activities, supervision, and event support during school holiday programs. Perfect for those who enjoy working with kids and creating fun, engaging experiences. Working with Children's Check essential.

Call us on 8742 3688 to find out more!





NURTURING MINDS Through creativity

We're currently taking bookings for our Term 1, 2026 Nurturing Minds Through Creativity Art Classes!

Join us every Tuesday from 10am for a series of inspiring, hands-on workshops designed to spark creativity and connection. Our Nurturing Minds program invites participants to explore new skills, express themselves through art, and enjoy a warm, welcoming space where imagination thrives and friendships grow.







From 10am \$ \$10 per session

Bookings are essential so please contact us on 8742 3688 to book your spot.

TERM 1 PROGRAM

February 3 - Blossom Acrylic Painting

Immerse yourself in the vibrant world of acrylics as you create a joyful blossom themed canvas.

This session encourages expressive brushstrokes, playful colour exploration, and a calming flow that brings your artwork, and your creativity, to life.



February 10 - Button Flowers

Enjoy a whimsical crafting experience using colourful buttons to design charming flower compositions.

This tactile, hands-on activity sparks imagination and is perfect for slowing down, relaxing, and creating a cheerful keepsake.



February 17 - Watercolour Lillies

Discover the soothing nature of watercolour as you paint soft, graceful lilies.

Guided techniques help you explore gentle washes and delicate details, inviting mindfulness and a deeper appreciation for tranquil beauty.



February 24 - Rock Painting

Transform simple stones into delightful mini artworks. Whether decorative patterns, uplifting words, or tiny characters, this activity offers a grounding, meditative experience that's as enjoyable as it is creative.



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March 3 - Painting Jars

Upcycle glass jars into personalised art pieces using vibrant paints and embellishments.

This session blends creativity with sustainability, leaving you with a beautiful, functional item to brighten any space.



March 10 - Succulent Garden

Create your own miniature succulent garden, combining natural textures, colours, and design elements.

This calming, hands-on experience is perfect for reconnecting with nature and crafting a living artwork to take home.



March 17 - Charcoal Drawing (waterfalls)

Explore the dramatic world of charcoal drawing as you create a serene waterfall scene. Learn techniques for shading, depth, and movement while enjoying the grounding rhythm of working in monochrome.



March 24 - Mosaic Coasters (set of 4)

Design a unique set of four mosaic coasters using colourful tiles and patterns.

This satisfying, puzzle-like artform invites focus and creativity, resulting in functional pieces that reflect your personal style.



March 31 - Watercolour Easter Cards

Craft beautifully gentle watercolour Easter cards using soft washes, festive motifs, and expressive brushwork.

This heartwarming session combines creativity with gift-giving, letting you share handmade joy with others.









UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Raspberry Jam & Surprise Jam Making with Therese

Monday 30th March, 10.30am - 12.30pm.

Join Therese as she teaches you how to make your own delicious Surprise Jam & Raspberry Jam.

In this session, you'll transform fresh, seasonal fruit into beautifully fragrant jars of homemade jam - learning the art of simmering, balancing sweetness, and achieving the perfect set.

It's a sweet, satisfying experience that leaves you with delicious jars and even sweeter memories to take home.

Cost: \$20 per person, bookings essential on 8742 3688

Note: please bring 2x 250ml jars to take your sample jams home with you.



ALLGREEN JOIN OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT

Iramoo Community Centre is excited to welcome Allgreen Garden and Nursery Supplies as our partner for our Community Garden Project in 2026.

Their support will allow us to grow quality produce that we can donate to our community members doing it tough whilst also providing a welcoming environment for people who want to connect, learn and contribute to this great cause.

We look forward to working with their team to make a difference in our community.

'Allgreen Garden and Nursery Supplies loves all things community minded, and is especially proud, to now be the main supporter of Iramoo Community Garden.

Enabling it to grow, not only in a community sense, but supply what is needed to help their garden thrive, so that all who tend to it will be rewarded with amazing fresh produce to share and enjoy themselves.

We are a 3rd generation local family business and believe community gardens create a sense of belonging, form friendships and promote health and well being for all. Please get involved and make a difference not only to yourselves but the community.'

The Team at AllGreen Garden and Nursery Supplies.

130 Old Geelong Rd, Hoppers Crossing Ph. 9749 1688 www.allgreen.com.au



HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

Iramoo Community Centre is seeking local community members to assist in our Community Garden.

There are several meaningful ways you can get involved in this project Some of them include:

- Assisting with planting and maintaining fruit and vegetables
- Watering
- · Harvesting and distributing fruit and vegetables
- Pruning

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST CALL 8742 3688 OR EMAIL ADMIN@IRAMOOCC.COM.AU







