

2026-27 City of Greater Geelong's Children's Week Grants - recipients

Applicant	Project Title	Project Description	Recommended \$
Anakie and District Community Group	Meet Australia's amazing wildlife up close	Spark curiosity and adventure! Kids can learn, explore, and connect with native animals through a fun, interactive encounter they'll never forget.	655
Bluebird Foundation	Nests of Our Own	A hands-on workshop where children build imaginative nests, exploring belonging, safety, and home using natural materials and playful, creative thinking.	1,000
Born Wild Community Inc.	Wonder and Wild: A Children's Week Celebration	A nature-based Children's Week event from Born Wild Community, inspiring children and families to connect with each other, their community and the natural world.	1,000
Brazilian Association of Greater Geelong Inc.	Roots of Joy: Celebrating Culture, Wellbeing and Children's Rights	A culturally inclusive Children's Week program celebrating Brazilian heritage through yoga, storytelling, capoeira, creative arts and wellbeing activities, strengthening connections, creativity, inclusion and children's rights.	1,000
Covenant College Kindergarte Geelong	Many Cultures, One Community	Many Cultures, One Community: A family celebration fostering belonging, cultural awareness, and inclusion through music, storytelling, art, language, food experiences, and shared community connections.	870
Geelong All-Abilities Sports Club	Geelong Stars Joeys	The Geelong Stars Joeys is a modified sports program for children 4 - 6 years old with disabilities.	600
Geelong Area Multiple Birth Association (GAMBA)	Multiples Science & Soft Play	An event with Happy Kidz science, a soft play equipment hire and a range of toys set-up so kids can play, learn and connect.	1,000

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Geelong Latin American Movement GLAM Incorporated	The Sound of My Land: Bilingual Storytelling, Music and Art Workshop	A free bilingual English-Spanish family workshop celebrating Latin American culture through storytelling, puppets, music, movement, painting and play.	950
Geelong Nepalese Association Inc.	Children Day Nature based activities.	Celebrating Children's Day with engaging nature activities that encourage outdoor exploration, cultural connection, environmental awareness, and family participation in a safe community setting.	400
Geelong Regional Library Corporation	Multicultural Board Games	Come to the library during Children's Week to share and play board games, celebrating the cultures and people that use our library space.	950
Geelong Scottish Dance	Introduction to Highland Dancing	This workshop invites children and their families to kick up their heels and learn basic foundational steps of the Highland Fling, a traditional Scottish Dance.	600
Geelong Tamil Sanggam Inc.	Colours of Culture – Children's Family Fun Day	A free multicultural family event promoting active play, cultural experiences, wellbeing and community connections for children aged 0-12 years and their families.	810
Geelong West Community Garden Group Inc.	Future Eco Gardeners	Children are invited to decorate a pot and plant a native seedling to take home, nurture and learn about supporting local wildlife and ecosystems.	600
Guild St Mary's Cricket Club Inc.	Guild St Mary's Children's Week Cricket Fun Day	Guild St Mary's Cricket Club will host a free Children's Week Cricket Fun Day featuring fun, inclusive cricket activities for children aged 5–12 and families.	848

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KU Children's Services	Welcome to Our Community: Children's Week Open Day at Biyala Community Hub	An inclusive Children's Week Open Day celebrating culture, language, play, and belonging through creative activities, stories, and community connection for local children and families.	705
Nepali Pathashala Geelong	Children's Week: Play, Learn & Connect	Children's Week community event featuring traditional Nepalese games, inclusive play activities, healthy snacks, and participation rewards promoting children's wellbeing, connection, and early childhood development.	530
Ocean Grove Playgroup Association	Ocean Grove Playgroup Association Open Day	An inclusive opportunity to come and try out play group and connect with community and local services.	675
Portarlington Bayside Miniature Railway Inc.	Operation of passenger carrying miniature railway	To operate the Portarlington Bayside Miniature Railway for the enjoyment of children and families as a special event during Children's Week.	1,000
Portarlington Neighbourhood House	"What's Wrong with Frankie?" Book Reading and Sensory Play	An interactive book reading incorporating musical instruments and sensory play, followed by hand/face painting, bubble games and dancing games. Total activity 2 hours.	900
Rosewall Community Centre - Lara Community Centre	Dance Disco and Slime Making Workshops	Dance Disco and Slime Making workshops will provide fun, creativity, confidence, and social connection for children and families in Lara and Corio.	1,000
Seesaw Foundation Inc.	Family Quest	Family Quest is a playful activity where families complete fun challenges that promote teamwork, creativity, communication, physical activity, and connection in an inclusive community setting.	850

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SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc.	Growing Strong Together	SpringDale will deliver inclusive Children's Week activities promoting wellbeing, healthy lifestyles, environmental awareness, safety, positive parenting and children's rights through play, learning and connection.	750
St Luke's Uniting Kindergarten Highton	Building Language and Cultural Connections	Children engage in Aboriginal cultural experiences including art, storytelling, language and Connection to Country, fostering cultural understanding and strengthening connections with Wadawurrung people.	1,000
The Anglican Parish of Holy Trinity Lara with Christ Church Little River	Playgroup Community Farm Day	Playgroup Community Farm Day is a combined playgroup session with family and friends, to learn about the importance of farms are to everyone through play!	550
Vines Road Community Centre Inc.	Children's Week BOPS Music for Kids Event	Building on last year's strong attendance, this free BOPS Music for Kids event offers education, connection, fun and sensory goody bags for early registrants.	300
Waurm Ponds Mechanics Institute & Free Library Inc.	Family get together	With many new young families joining our community, the WMI Committee aims to strengthen engagement, connections, and interaction across our area via family magic event.	800
Total			20,343