



# ANNUAL REPORT

January – December 2024



*Joondalup Family Centre wishes to acknowledge and thank the traditional custodians of the land, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation on which we meet, work, and live. We acknowledge the Elders of the past, present and future.*

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## ABOUT US

### ***Our History***

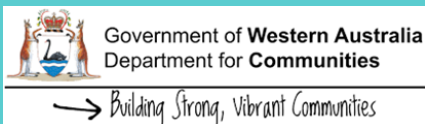
The Joondalup Family Centre Inc is a not-for-profit registered charity community-based organisation established in 1992 to offer a range of programs and services meet the needs of local families, community organisations and groups

Joondalup Family Centre's programs, services and facilities are generously funded by the WA Department of Communities (DOC) Empowering Communities Program.

The organisation also receives ongoing support from our peak bodies, Linkwest, Western Australia Council of Social Service (WACOSS) and Australian Neighbourhood Houses and Centres association (ANHCA).

Joondalup Family Centre is regulated by Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission (ACNC), The Department of Energy, Mines, Industry regulation and Safety (DEMIRS) and The Department of Communities Educational Care and Regulatory Unit (ECRU)

A voluntary Committee comprised of people from the local community provides governance and leadership to Joondalup Family Centre operations.



## ABOUT US

### Our Centre Philosophy

## Our Vision

**Empower. Educate. Thrive.**

To build strong, inclusive relationships and inspire positive change for generations to come.

Where families and individuals are empowered, educated, supported and connected to sustain a thriving community.

## Our Mission

Joondalup Family Centre will connect, inspire and support our community to grow together through the delivery of quality community and education programs that are inclusive and resilient.

## Our Values

**Integrity, Respect, Collaboration, Trust**

At the Joondalup Family Centre, we believe that every individual should be cared for and educated in a positive, nurturing manner.

We work to support families and encourage them to be active participants in our service.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS & EMPLOYEES

**January – December 2024**

### **Committee Members**

Chairperson  
Vice Chairperson  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
General Members

Julie Zajer  
Ivan Vujicic  
Teresa Gastevich  
Lashan Wanigasekera  
Felicia Vlad  
Peter Henry  
Takavengwa Marindo  
Zoe Moore  
Lily Woods  
Allan Connolly

### **Past Committee Members**

General Members

Peter Henry  
Takavengwa Marindo  
Ivan Vujicic  
Lily Woods  
Allan Connolly

### **Employees**

Centre Manager  
Administration and Programs Coordinator  
Pre-Kindy Early Childhood Teacher  
Pre-Kindy Coordinator  
Pre-Kindy Education Assistants

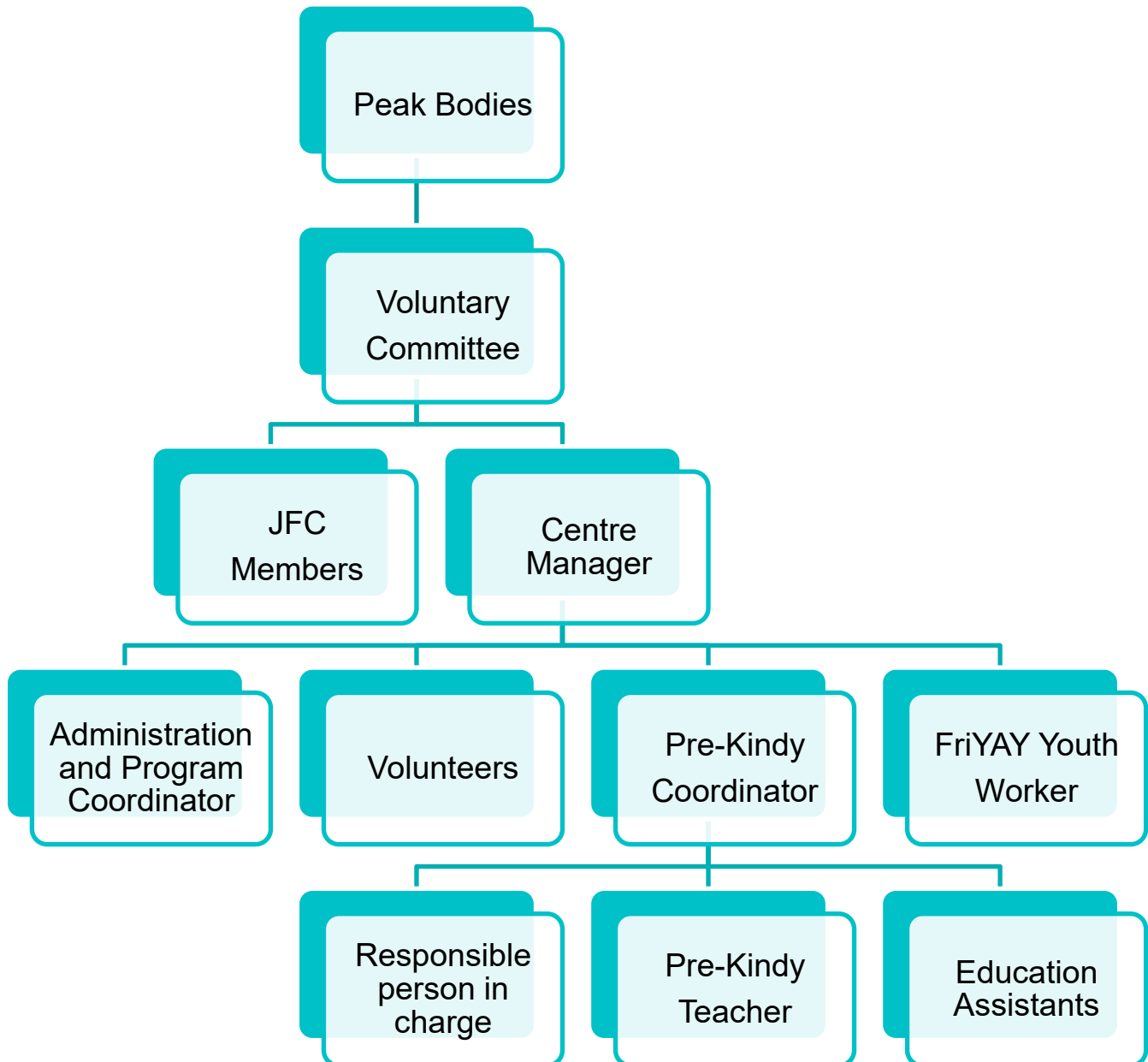
Chloe Scott  
Mel Natoli  
Holly Melling  
Nicola Riley  
Mel Clayton  
Anom Suarini  
Kim Tapper  
Sarah Hough  
Sophie Williams  
Eloise Collins-Nuttall  
Sharon Lambe  
Mel Clayton

FriYAY Youth Worker  
Playgroup Coordinator

### **Past Employees**

Eloise Collins-Nuttall

## ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE



## CENTRE USERS

Joondalup Family Centre is a vibrant busy Neighbourhood Centre offering a variety of programs, venue hire and community groups throughout the year.

Below are some of our regular programs which benefited our local community in 2024:



All Stars for Autism



Playgroups



FriYAY Youth Club

Air Brush Venturi  
Art Buzz  
Tippy Toez  
Art Therapy Connect  
Best Beginnings Playgroup (DCP)  
Child and Adolescent Health Service  
Buddhist Meditation Society  
Chantelle Milner Yoga  
LitCity Church

Alcoholics Anonymous  
Salsa Viva  
Spectrum Therapy  
Autism WA  
Calligraphy Class  
Early Voice Speech Therapy  
Forward in Faith Ministries  
Nurtured Learning  
Mind Buzz



## FINANCES

### COMMITTEE REPORT

#### JOONDALUP FAMILY CENTRE INC For the year ended 31 December 2024

The Committee presents the report on Joondalup Family Centre Inc for the financial period ended 31 December 2024. The following members of the Committee were on the Committee during the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024, and where relevant, it is noted the date which they resigned as a member of the Committee:

Zoe Wilson (Chairperson) <i>Resigned as Chairperson and elected Vice Chairperson at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Ivan Vujicic (Vice Chairperson) <i>Resigned as Vice Chairperson and Committee member in September 2024</i>	Teresa Gastevich (Secretary) <i>Resigned as Secretary and Committee member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>
Lashan Wanigasekera (Treasurer) <i>Resigned as Treasurer and Committee member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Felicia Vlad (Member) <i>Resigned as Committee member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Peter Henry (Member) <i>Resigned as Committee member in December 2024</i>
Takavengwa Marindo (Member) <i>Resigned as Committee member in June 2024</i>		

The current Committee members are:

Ljupco Taneski (Chairperson) <i>Elected as Chairperson and Member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Zoe Wilson (Vice Chairperson) <i>Elected as Vice Chairperson at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Stefan Damjanovic (Secretary) <i>Elected as Member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025, elected as Secretary at Committee Meeting held on 17/09/2025</i>
Brett Caratti (Treasurer) <i>Elected as Treasurer and Member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Jo Choi (Member) <i>Elected as Member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Heidi Bartley (Member) <i>Elected as Member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>
Hwee Peng Tan (Member) <i>Elected as Member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	Veronica Mills (Member) <i>Elected as Member at the AGM held on 19/03/2025</i>	

During the period, Joondalup Family Centre Inc. applied the accounting policies described in Note 1 to these financial statements.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Joondalup Family Centre Inc. is to provide early learning and development services for children ranging from playgroup to pre-kindy. Also, to provide venue hire facilities for the community and business groups.

#### SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

No significant change in Joondalup Family Centre Inc activities occurred during the year.

#### OPERATING RESULT

The surplus for the year ended 31 December 2024 amounted to \$101,644 (2023: surplus \$30,617).

#### AFTER REPORTING DATE EVENTS

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of the financial report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature that in the opinion of the Committee is likely to substantially affect the operations of Joondalup Family Centre or the results of those operations in future financial years.

#### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Centre will continue to carry on the principal activities noted above. There are no likely developments in the activities in future years which will affect the results and therefore require disclosure.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Signed by:  
  
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**Signed by:** Ljupco Taneski, Current Chairperson  
**Authority:** Signing on behalf of the previous Committee

**Date:** 24/11/2025

## FINANCES

# STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

## JOONDALUP FAMILY CENTRE INC

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	NOTES	2024	2023
<b>Income</b>			
Bank Interest		861	683
Centre Income		59,123	61,225
Clinic Income		6,051	4,106
Funding and Grant Income		287,981	160,260
Fundraising		5,950	8,719
Other Income		14,004	2,030
Playgroup Income		7,441	4,452
Pre-Kindy Income		452,814	418,702
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>834,224</b>	<b>660,177</b>
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>834,224</b>	<b>660,177</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Administration Fees		93,769	85,215
Amortisation Expenses		-	1,814
Audit Fees		2,300	2,150
Cleaning and Maintenance		58,375	39,804
Commission Expense		3,832	3,344
Depreciation Expenses		33,099	34,937
Employment Costs		490,318	425,156
Finance Expenses		665	602
Leave Entitlement Expense		4,783	9,048
Playgroup Expenses		3,054	662
Pre-Kindy Expenses		30,845	19,706
Utilities		7,764	7,121
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>728,804</b>	<b>629,560</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>105,420</b>	<b>30,617</b>
<b>Total Comprehensive Income</b>		<b>105,420</b>	<b>30,617</b>

## FINANCES

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

#### JOONDALUP FAMILY CENTRE INC

As at 31 December 2024

	NOTES	31 DEC 2024	31 DEC 2023
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	2	318,043	210,629
Trade and Other Receivables	3	775	2,330
Inventory		167	167
Prepayments		10,286	9,073
<b>Total CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>329,271</b>	<b>222,199</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, Plant and Equipment	4	139,774	125,260
Right of Use Assets		6,588	8,548
<b>Total NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>146,362</b>	<b>133,809</b>
<b>Total ASSETS</b>		<b>475,633</b>	<b>356,007</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	5	18,936	11,125
Employee Related Payables	6	28,490	21,142
Income in Advance		-	3,873
Provision for Employee Entitlements		21,888	17,104
Right of Use Lease Liabilities		1,934	1,864
<b>Total CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>71,248</b>	<b>55,108</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Right of Use Lease Liabilities		4,800	6,734
<b>Total NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>4,800</b>	<b>6,734</b>
<b>Total LIABILITIES</b>		<b>76,047</b>	<b>61,841</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>399,586</b>	<b>294,166</b>
<b>ACCUMULATED FUNDS</b>			
Opening Balance		294,166	263,549
Current Year Earnings		105,420	30,617
<b>Total ACCUMULATED FUNDS</b>		<b>399,586</b>	<b>294,166</b>

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

## JOONDALUP FAMILY CENTRE INC

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	NOTES	2024	2023
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from customers		865,747	679,681
Payments to suppliers and employees		(709,329)	(606,014)
Covid Hardship Grant		-	2,500
Interest Received		861	683
Interest Expense		-	(231)
<b>Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>		<b>157,279</b>	<b>76,619</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of non-current assets		(49,864)	(47,035)
<b>Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities</b>		<b>(49,864)</b>	<b>(47,035)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Payment of leases		-	(1,898)
<b>Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>(1,898)</b>
<b>Other Activities</b>			
Other activities		-	-
<b>Net Cash Flows from Other Activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net Cash Flows</b>		<b>107,414</b>	<b>27,686</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		210,629	182,942
Net change in cash for period		107,414	27,686
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period		318,043	210,629

## CENTRE MANAGER REPORT

Welcome Community Members,

This year has been an exciting and transformative period for the Joondalup Family Centre. We've experienced remarkable growth, increased community involvement, and some incredible successes that have shaped the year. A particular highlight has been the exceptional demand for our programs, especially with our *Pre-Kindy program*, which started with full enrolments and continues to grow. Alongside this, we have secured our *biggest year for grants*, including the *Empowering Community Fund* for the next five years, all of which are ensuring our ability to continue delivering quality services for families in our community. Equally important has been the strong support we've received from local donors, as well as the deepened connections and networking with local organizations that have strengthened our community bonds.



Chloe Scott  
Centre Manager

At the heart of our centre's success is the ongoing involvement of our local community. The connection between our programs and the families we serve has never been stronger. From attending events to volunteering, community members have played an active role in bringing our mission to life. The success of our centre is due to this collective energy and commitment, which continues to grow each year.

Our programs have seen an increase in participation, and we've seen more families accessing services than ever before. The enthusiasm and trust placed in our centre are deeply encouraging, and we are excited to continue to build upon this community-driven momentum.

One of our most exciting developments this year has been the overwhelming success of our Pre-Kindy program. We started the year with full enrolments, and the demand has only continued to grow. This speaks to the community's trust in the quality and value of the programs we offer for young children. Our Pre-Kindy program is designed to provide early childhood education in a nurturing environment, helping children to develop important skills for their academic and social future.

The program's continued growth is a testament to the hard work of our dedicated staff and the positive impact the program has had on children and families in the community. We are thrilled to be able to support more families in providing their children with a strong start in their learning journey.

This year has been a record-breaking year for securing grants, allowing us to expand and enhance our services in ways we had only hoped for. A major highlight is the *Empowering Community Fund*, which will support our work for the next five years. This multi-year funding commitment will enable us to further develop and sustain programs that address the needs of our community, including expanding services for children, families, and at-risk individuals.

In addition to the Empowering Community Fund, we have secured multiple other grants that will support new initiatives and facility improvements, ensuring that we can continue to grow and meet the needs of our community for years to come.

## Key Achievements:

- **Pre-Kindy Growth:** The Pre-Kindy program, which began with full enrolments, has seen increasing interest and growth. We are proud to offer a strong, early education program that supports the development of our youngest learners.
- **Record Grant Success:** We've secured the largest amount of grant funding in our centre's history, including the Empowering Community Fund for the next five years. This will ensure that we can expand and enhance our services for both children and families.
- **Program Expansion:** We've introduced new programs and services, and with the additional funding, we will continue to grow and improve our offerings in areas such as mental health support, family education, and community engagement.
- **Improved Facilities:** Thanks to our grant successes, we've been able to enhance our physical space, improving facilities to better serve the needs of our growing community.

## Looking Ahead:

With the momentum we've gained, we are excited to continue building on the success of our programs and services. The continued growth of the Pre-Kindy program will be a priority, as we look for opportunities to accommodate more families and improve the learning environment for our young children.

We also look forward to using the Empowering Community Fund and other grants to expand our reach and further strengthen the centre's role in supporting families, improving educational opportunities, and fostering community connection.

A special thank you to our incredible team, whose passion and dedication make all of this possible. Your hard work and commitment to the families we serve are truly inspiring. We also want to extend our gratitude to our volunteers, partners, and the community members who continue to support us.

This year has been one of significant growth and success, and we are thrilled to be able to continue serving the families of Joondalup. From the success of the Pre-Kindy program to our record-breaking year for grants, we are well-positioned for the future. Together, we will continue to build a thriving, inclusive, and supportive community where every family has the opportunity to succeed.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to the exciting year ahead.



## 2024 CENTRE OVERVIEW

### Programs/Events

2024 was another incredible year at Joondalup Family Centre, filled with events and programs that brought our community together, fostered connections and provided valuable opportunities for learning and support.

We kicked off the year with a Car Boot Sale & Community Stalls, giving local families a chance to buy, sell and connect in a fun and friendly atmosphere.

Throughout the year, we hosted a variety of events that celebrated culture, awareness and community spirit, including a Harmony Day Class, a NAIDOC Youth Art & Craft Session and special activities for National Pyjama Week and Red Nose Day.

One of our biggest annual events, Neighbourhood House Week, saw us running a Sensory Play Class, alongside essential services such as Kidsafe WA offering free child car restraint checks and SecondBite providing fresh food to those in need. Our Veggie Planting initiative encouraged families to get their hands dirty and learn about sustainable gardening.

We also kept the community entertained with a Community Movie Night, the much-anticipated Halloween Disco and interactive workshops such as the Heartbeat Club First Aid Session and an R U OK? Workshop reinforcing the importance of mental health conversations.

Our Pedal Pals event promoted bike safety and fun, while WA Seniors Week was celebrated with engaging activities for older community members. We ended the year on a high note with Thanks a Volunteer Day, recognizing the incredible individuals who help make our programs possible.

2024 was a year of growth, connection and positive impact, we can't wait to see what 2025 holds for Joondalup Family Centre and our amazing community!



**Mel Natoli**  
Administration &  
Programs Coordinator



## 2024 CENTRE OVERVIEW

### Fundraising

As a Not-for-Profit association fundraising plays a vital role in helping us purchase new resources, improve our centre and continue offering valuable programs to the local community. Every dollar raised goes straight back into supporting our programs and ensuring our centre remains a welcoming space for all.

In 2024 we ran a variety of fundraising events and drives, with amazing support from our community. Our Pre-Kindy families played a big part in these efforts, hosting events such as the Pre-Kindy Colour Run, Mother's Day & Father's Day stalls, a Bake Sale and the ever-popular Pre-Kindy Tea Towels fundraiser.

We also introduced fun and delicious fundraising initiatives like the Domino's Dough Raiser and a Cookie Dough Drive, along with exciting community raffles and Showbag sales.

Because of this fundraising, we have been able to achieve some fantastic upgrades for our centre, including:

- Pre-Kindy Sporting Equipment
- Upgraded Centre's Bulletin Boards
- Replaced Internal Bi-Fold Doors in Activity Room 2

We are now working towards our next goals in 2025:

- Upgrading Outdoor Shade Sails
- Mounted TV for meeting room
- Flag poles
- New garden shed
- Storage cupboard replacement
- Upgrading change tables

A huge thank you goes to our local businesses and generous supporters who donated goods and services to help with our fundraising efforts and of course, we are incredibly grateful to our Joondalup Family Centre members and local community for participating in our events and purchasing fundraising items your support makes a real difference!

We look forward to another fantastic year of community-driven fundraising in 2025!





## PRE-KINDY

Our Pre-Kindy Program runs Monday – Friday 8am to 4pm 48 weeks a year. For children aged between 2 – 4 years old.

Hi My Name is Holly Melling, and I have had the pleasure of being as the Pre-Kindy Early Childhood Teacher at Joondalup Family Centre since June 2024. I was brought on board to collaborate with our experienced team of educators, develop the Pre-Kindy program, and mentor staff.

We began 2024 with full enrolment, catering to 20 children per day, aged between 2 and 4 years. At the start of the year, the program was overseen by Nicola, as an Early Childhood Teacher was yet to be appointed due to the waiver in place. In June, I officially joined the team, working a five-day fortnight and collaborating with Nicola.

Our Pre-Kindy program has gained an excellent reputation within the local and surrounding communities. In October, we hosted a highly successful Open Day, with an impressive turnout of families eager to enrol their children.

### Program Highlights & Achievements

Throughout the year, it has been truly inspiring to witness our Pre-Kindy children grow, develop new skills, and build confidence. We are incredibly proud of their progress and believe they are well-prepared for their transition to primary school.

As I joined the program, we further enhanced our curriculum by incorporating:

- Literacy & Numeracy Foundations – Engaging, hands-on, play-based learning experiences designed to prepare children for school.
- Inquiry-Based Learning – Encouraging curiosity and exploration in a structured yet flexible environment and introducing floor books to document the children's voices.
- Wellbeing & Social Development – Supporting children in building social skills, self-help abilities, and emotional regulation.
- Aboriginal Perspectives- Incorporating Indigenous culture, traditions, and knowledge into learning experiences, fostering respect, understanding, and connection to Country.

We actively engaged with families throughout the year, valuing their input and feedback to tailor our program to the children's needs and interests.



Holly Melling  
Early Childhood  
Teacher



## Professional Development & Looking Ahead

Our educators remained committed to continuous learning, participating in key professional development sessions, such as:

- Sun Smart Awareness
- Child Protection Training
- Food Safety Certification

## Community Engagement & Excursions

We welcomed a variety of enriching incursions and community experiences, such as:

- Eco Action Minibeasts Incursion – An engaging session where children explored nature and minibeast up close.
- Silver Chain Residents' Visits – Regular interactions fostering intergenerational connections.
- Excursions – Our class visited Aqua, enjoyed a Teddy Bear Picnic at the local park, and explored the surrounding community through guided walks.

Additionally, our team participated in a heart-warming volunteer experience at Ronald McDonald House, assisting in the kitchen to support families in need.

As we step into 2025, we are excited to continue growing our program with our dedicated, passionate team of educators and a new group of Pre-Kindy children. We look forward to strengthening community connections, expanding learning opportunities, and fostering a nurturing environment for our little learners.



## Number of children booked daily Jan - Dec 2024

	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Mon	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Tues	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Wed	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Thurs	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Fri	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20

## PLAYGROUP

Nyat Djena (Little Feet) Playgroup runs weekly on a Wednesday 9am – 10.30am in our Activity Room.

Junior Foodies Playgroup runs weekly on a Friday 9am – 10.30am in our Activity Room.

Hi My names is Mel and I have the privilege of running playgroups and working in the pre-kindy.

Junior foodies playgroup started up in June it was a massive hit and took off very popular within the community. Each week the children have the opportunity to develop s variety of skills, including motor skills, reading comprehension and gain confidence.

The children are introduced to real life tools, which are introduced to them throughout the term from knives, to peelers and graters. They learn to follow step by steps by reading the recipes and how to measure out the ingredient's using a wide variety of tools. It helps them learn about healthy eating and to develop a positive relationship with food. The children feel a sense of accomplishment and pride when they successfully prepare a meal and then get to eat it along with their peers.

It also helps to prepare meals and have input into trying new foods. It also helps inspire new families traditions and help children develop a healthy life style. Towards the end of the term we put out a sheet to families asking them for feedback and input into our program and what their children would like to make.



Mel Clayton  
Playgroup Coordinator



### Number of Enrolled each session Jan – Dec 2024

	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Wed	10	10	15	15	15	16	16	17	17	17	17
Fri	15	15	15	15	15	20	20	20	20	20	20

## FRIYAY YOUTH CLUB

Our FriYAY Youth Program is aimed at children aged 7–11 and is run by our amazing youth worker, Shaz, every Friday during school terms from 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm.

In 2024, the program continued to provide a safe, engaging, and inclusive space for young people to connect, learn, and have fun. Activities included yoga and mindfulness, art classes, cooking sessions, creative crafts, and life skills workshops.

The club successfully fostered social connections and supported mental wellbeing, giving participants opportunities to build confidence, try new experiences, and develop meaningful friendships. In 2024, the program remained low-cost and accessible, welcoming [insert number if available] young people from the local community.

FriYAY Youth Club has proven to be an invaluable program in promoting human interaction, creativity, and wellbeing among our youth, aligning with the Centre’s vision of empowering families and nurturing a thriving community.



**Shaz Lambe**  
Youth Worker



### Number of Enrolled Youth Jan – Dec 2024

	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Fri	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10



## RECOGNITION

### All Stars for Autism

In 2024, we proudly mark the fifth anniversary of our partnership with All Stars for Autism, a registered Australian charity founded by two dedicated mothers of autistic children. Since 2019, All Stars for Autism has been an integral part of the Joondalup Family Centre, offering a variety of programs that foster fun, positivity and creativity for autistic children and their families.

Their flagship program the All Stars Kids Club, meets every Wednesday from 4–5 PM during the school term. This unique social initiative encourages primary school-aged autistic children and their siblings to explore new activities, develop interests, and form organic friendships through play and team-building exercises. Parents and carers are also invited to stay, providing an opportunity to connect with other families on a similar journey.

Over the past five years, All Stars for Autism has expanded its offerings to include programs such as the All Stars Ten Pin Bowling League, the Telethon Teen Mentoring Program and All Stars Art Connect. These initiatives not only support autistic children but also involve their families, creating an inclusive and loving community.

We are honoured to have All Stars for Autism as a cornerstone of our community at the Joondalup Family Centre. Their commitment to nurturing neurodiversity and fostering organic friendships has enriched countless lives, and we look forward to many more years of collaboration and shared success.

For more information about their programs head to their website <https://www.allstarsforautism.org.au/>



## STRATEGIC PRIORITIES 2020-2025

### Quality Education

### Program Delivery

### Centre Profile

Strategic Aims	Objectives	Key achievements 2024
Quality Education	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Increase class enrolments to meet 20 enrolments per class/program</li> <li>2. Increase to full day of classes at least 2 days per week</li> <li>3. Develop and innovate new programs with input from staff</li> <li>4. Expand service delivery to include vacation care and/or after school programs</li> </ol>	<p><b>Experienced Team Development</b> An essential focus on building a strong team of educators and care professionals led to the development of innovative programs tailored to children's interests and developmental milestones. The team's collaboration in designing educational activities helped create an enriched environment for students, promoting creativity and learning.</p> <p><b>Renovation and Facility Updates</b> Renovating the Pre-Kindy space allowed for a more engaging and safe environment. The addition of modern learning materials and creative play areas enhanced the educational experience, fostering an atmosphere of exploration, discovery, and collaboration among the children.</p>
Community Program Delivery	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Establish Programs Subcommittee to assist with creation and delivery of community programs</li> <li>2. Develop new programs for various areas of community</li> <li>3. Identify and secure new funding opportunities for new programs</li> <li>4. Recruit volunteers to assist with providing/completing programs</li> </ol>	<p><b>Grant Achievements (9 Grants, \$312,608)</b> Through proactive grant writing and networking, the center was awarded nine grants totaling \$312,608. These grants enabled the center to run diverse programs, such as educational workshops, mental health support groups, and family advocacy services, contributing to a broadening of the center's impact in the community.</p> <p><b>Volunteer Recruitment and Engagement</b> The recruitment and training of volunteers created a strong support system for program delivery. Volunteers not only helped with day-to-day tasks</p>

		but also brought new perspectives and energy to the centre's initiatives. This helped to expand the range of services offered while fostering a sense of community involvement.
<b>Centre Profile</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Establish Marketing subcommittee including interested members of Committee and staff</i></li> <li>2. <i>Develop new Marketing Plan and implement</i></li> <li>3. <i>Review effectiveness of Marketing Plan and update accordingly</i></li> <li>4. <i>Develop further Membership categories and recruit new Members</i></li> </ol>	<p><b>Rebranding: Logo and Signage Update</b> To modernize and make the centre's identity more appealing, the logo was redesigned to reflect the values and mission of the organization. Along with new signage, this branding update helped position the centre as a dynamic and approachable community hub.</p> <p><b>Uniform Implementation for Staff</b> The introduction of uniforms for staff provided a professional, unified look, promoting a sense of pride and identity within the team. It also created a more approachable atmosphere for families and community members visiting the centre.</p> <p><b>Cash Flow Management and Revenue Growth</b> Focused financial planning ensured strong cash flow management and operational sustainability. The centre's income revenue increased each year, allowing for reinvestment into key areas such as program expansion, staff development, and facility improvements</p>

## EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

Joondalup Family Centre was successful in receiving support through the Empowering Communities Program (ECP) from WA Department of Communities. The funding was extended five years on the 1 July 2024. The funding provides us to continue and to provide programs and initiatives, so our community is connected, belong, are valued and contribute to our centre.

### The Vision of Empowering Communities Program is:

Communities are connected and inclusive places where people feel they belong, are valued and contribute.

### The Aims of Empowering Communities Program are:

- Empower Local People
- Strengthen Social Connections
- Foster Collaboration

Outcome 1	Outcome 2	Outcome 3	Outcome 4	Outcome 5
People have social connections in their community	People participate in their local communities	People are learning new skills and knowledge	People contribute to their communities	People feel safe in their communities





## EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

### Financial Empowerment for Woman

In 2024 Joondalup Family Centre in partnership with the Spiers Centre Heathridge proudly launched the Financial Empowerment for Women workshop series.

This eight-week program provided women in our community with essential financial knowledge and skills, covering topics such as budgeting, reducing living costs, superannuation, debt management, and protecting against financial abuse and scams. By offering free lunch, creche services, this ensured accessibility and encouraged participation.

We are proud of the positive impact this program has had equipping participants with financial literacy skills that empower them to make informed decisions and contribute meaningfully to their families and community.

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People have social connections in their community		People are learning new skills and knowledge		People feel safe in their communities

### Car Boot Sale

In February 2024, Joondalup Family Centre hosted a vibrant Car Boot Sale & Community Stalls event, bringing together local families, small businesses and community members for a morning of fun, connection, and fundraising.

With an array of craft stalls, a sausage sizzle, a Pre-Kindy bake sale, free kids' activities, raffles and the opportunity to explore our centre, the event created a welcoming space for people to engage with one another while supporting local initiatives.

The event not only fostered social connections but also contributed to the sustainability of our community programs.



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People have social connections with their community	People participate in their local communities		People contribute to their communities	People feel safe in their communities

## EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

### WA Bike Month – Pedal Pals

Joondalup Family Centre proudly hosted Pedal Pals, a free community event celebrating WA Bike Month with the support of the Department of Transport (DOT) and RAC. The event brought together families and cycling enthusiasts for an exciting afternoon of group rides, bike decorating, safety checks and interactive activities designed to promote bike safety, creativity and a love for cycling.

Pedal Pals not only encouraged active lifestyles but also strengthened community connections, as participants of all ages joined in to ride, learn, and have fun together. The event was a fantastic success, highlighting the importance of safe and sustainable transport while creating lasting memories for everyone involved.



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## SUPPORT

### Memberships With:



### Supported by:



Emily Hamilton MLA



## How you can support us

- Engaging with us on Social Media.
- Becoming a Committee Member.
- Registering your interest as a program volunteer.
- Participating in one of our programs or services offered at Joondalup Family Centre.
- Hiring our facilities or your next Children's Party, community services or workshops at the Joondalup Family Centre.
- Spreading the word of the Joondalup Family Centre Programs and Services with your neighbours, friends, and family.
- Provide us with valuable feedback.

The continued support and engagement with our local community is key to the future of the Joondalup Family Centre.

We would like to thank you all for making 2024 an engaging and successful year.

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