

#### December 2023 Newsletter

Seasons greetings as we wrap up another successful year and prepare for the holiday period. There has been lots happening in Term 4, including our AGM on November 1st. We farewelled long term board members Jenny Salgo and Helen Chhor and welcomed new board members Di Gow, Sheelan David & Max Patterson, - all familiar faces at Wavlink! Max, many of you know, has retired from his role as Wavlink finance officer in October and handed over to Brian Scammell. We are pleased to have such great additions to the team.

Our tutors have been busy planning activities for the New Year with input from participants. The Semester 1 Activity Guide is available now at reception and online at www.wavlink.org.au. If you haven't received it yet and would like a copy, please let us know.

We undertook a Student Survey in term 4 and would like to thank all the participants for their feedback, which will assist us in planning our activities and improving our services. We are happy to announce that Out and About and additional Tech Skills classes are scheduled for Semester 1. We are also taking expressions of interest for the Night Life sessions.

Our Garden Project that was funded by the Suburban Rail Loop Community grants fund has come to completion. I would like to thank Trisha who was involved in the project for all her work, developing community networks and engagement with our garden space. It has made a positive impact on our community members who enjoy learning about growing and cooking their own food and living more sustainably. Our gardening programs have created common ground for people to share knowledge and connect with others who have similar interests. We look forward to watching things continue to grow in the future.

Friday 15th Dec is the last day of classes at Wavlink for the year. Saturday 16th our Annual Xmas Lunch will be held at Mulgrave Community Centre. The Jam Tarts band will play some classic songs so wear your dancing shoes!

Wishing you all a very happy holiday and all the best for the New Year.

See you in 2024!



#### DIARY DATES

- Term 1 starts: Mon 22 January
- AUSTRALIA DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY Wavlink closed: Fri 26 Jan
- LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY Wavlink closed: Mon 11 March
- Term 1 ends: Thur 28 March

#### TERM I 2024 TIMETABLE

## **Wavlink Semester One Program Timetable**

22 January - 24 June 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Craft & Chat 9.30am - 12.30pm	Ceramics 9.30am - 12.30pm	Ceramics 9.30am - 12.30pm	Ceramics 9.30am- 12.30pm	Jewellery 9.30am-12.30pm	Saturday Social 10.00am - 12.30pm
Make & Bake 9.30pm - 12.30pm	Kitchen Skills 9.30am-12.30pm	Cooking 9.30am - 12.30pm	Cooking* 9.30am - 12.30pm	Cooking* 9.30am-12.30pm	Cooking 10am - 12.30pm
Performing Arts 10.30am - 12.00pm	Garden Social 9.30am - 12.30pm	Literacy 9.30am - 12.30pm	Tech Skills 9.30am- 12.30pm	Nature Lovers 9.30am-12.30pm	
Out and About* 9.30am-1.30pm					

#### Lunch Activities 12.30pm - 1.30pm

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Mosaics 1.30pm - 3.30pm	Print & Paint 1.30pm-3.30pm	Cardmaking 1.30pm-3.30pm	Art 1.30pm-3.30pm	Friday Fun 1.30pm-3.30pm	Crafty Creation 1.00pm-3.00pm
Tech Skills 1.30pm - 3.30pm	Independent Living 1.30pm-3.30pm	Tech Skills 1.30pm-3.30pm	Textiles 1.30pm-3.30pm	Tech Skills* 1.30pm-3.30pm	Tech Skills 1.00pm-3.00pm
		Cooking 4.30pm-6.30pm	Cooking 4.00pm-6.00pm		
			Nightlife* 6.00pm-9.00pm		*New Classes
Activity Room	Garden Studio	Computer Room	Kitchen	Community	Online

PLEASE NOTE THAT SEMESTER | AND SEMESTER 2 WILL REPLACE TERMS 1, 2, 3, AND 4 IN THE PROGRAM TIMETABLE.

#### **NEW CLASSES**

We are happy to announce the return of a class that people have been asking to have back. *Out And About* will run on Mondays from 9:30am-1:30pm. An extra *Tech Skills* class is scheduled for Fridays from 1:30-3:30pm.



We are taking expressions of interest for *Cooking* on Thursday and Friday mornings and for *Nightlife* on Thursday evenings. Please speak to a tutor or contact Wavlink if you are interested.



Our delicious Community dinners for 2024 will be on the following dates.

#### \$15.00 for a 2 course meal

Date	Cuisine Theme		
8 February	South Asian Cuisine		
21 March	Persian Cuisine		
9 May	Italian Cuisine		
6 June	Cuban Cuisine		
18 July	French Cuisine		
5 September	Brazillian Cuisine		
10 October	Indian Cuisine		
7 November	Mexican Cuisine		

Places are limited so bookings are essential.

To make a reservation, contact us 03 9561 7104 / info@wavlink.org.au or visit us at 36 Myrtle St, Glen Waverley, 3150

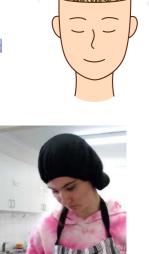


#### INDEPENDENT LIVING SKILLS

Wavlink offers two Independent Living Skills classes. This term we have have been out and about practicing using public transport and grocery shopping, as well as continuing our Neighbourhood House-based activities including budgeting, cooking and money skills.







## LITERACY AND NUMERACY

The Literacy and Numeracy class chose a brilliant summer day to visit Federation Square's Christmas Festival and ACMI, Australian Centre for the Moving Image, where we saw wonderful exhibits from the history of screen culture. Definitely worth a visit!







#### MARKET MAKERS

The Wavlink Market began with a small group of friends meeting once a week to learn craft skills under the guidance of our Tutor Sara Hendriquez, with the goal to fundraise for our Neighbourhood House. Since its inception in mid-March it has doubed in size and our volunteer Market Makers have displayed an amazing range of skills. They have created an array of ceramic pieces, cards and textile pieces demonstrating a quirky and eclectic sense of joy.

The range of ceramic jewellery, vases and and a selection of crafts have been show cased at the MONCAS (Monash Community Art Society) Festive Gifts Bazaar at the Track Gallery in early December.

We'd like to thank the generosity and contribution of all our volunteers and wish them a safe and happy holiday season.





#### MOSAICS

Did you know that people have been making mosaics for 5000 years? They can be made from glass, stones, ceramics and even buttons and found objects. The Monday Mosaics class have been turning a printed picture into a ceramic tile mosaic as a term project. The students trace the pattern on a base board, cut tiles, arrange them and finish with a special grout to produce the final art. Here we have Mickey by Ash, a Fairy by Mel and a Koala by Monique.







#### AN INTERVIEW WITH...LISA

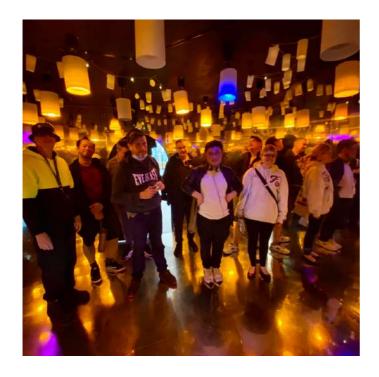






I do Ceramics, Jewellery and Tech Skills. I only chose three this term as I just started this year with Karen and Natalie. I worked with them in Clayton. We've been friends for 30 years. Karen told me about Wavlink. I make some nice jewellery.

#### FRIDAY FUN









It's been a busy term 4 for the Friday Fun crew, with activities including active games and exercise at Monash Aquatic and Recreation Centre, Bowling, Karaoke, dancing, movies and more. We are looking forward to an active and exciting 2024!

#### IN THE GARDEN





The community garden has thrived this term thanks to Spring rains and the care from the Nature Lovers and Garden Social groups and Wavlink volunteer, Jeremy.

At the start of the year we were the recipients of an SRL East Community Projects Fund grant that allowed us to expand the garden and invest in raised beds, garden furniture and plants to grow the community garden and engage more people in the program.

Next year we hope to grow more seedlings to offer for sharing and sale. We are also looking for more volunteers to lend their garden skills. Stop by and say hi!











# Wavlink Holiday Progam January 2024



#### **Tuesday 16 January**

Melbourne Museum - see Titanic The Artefact Exhibition

Meet at the Centre to travel by bus to The Melbourne Museum.

BYO lunch and drink.

9.30am - 3.00pm Support costs to be confirmed on enquiry Activity costs for transport and entry \$50.00



## Wednesday 17 January National Gallery of Victoria

Meet at the Centre to travel by train to the Gallery. BYO topped up MYKI card, lunch, drink, money for personal use. Participants with mobility issues please contact us. Dress appropriately for walking and the weather.

10.00am - 3.00pm Support costs to be confirmed on enquiry. Activity costs \$0 (pay yourself for pubic transport)

To register your interest or for enquiries please contact us on 9561 7104 or email info@wavlink.org.au







# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Wavlink is a small, friendly
Neighbourhood House offering a range
social, skills building and recreation
activities for people with a disability.

We are seeking volunteers who are interested in assisting in classes.

Contact Wavlink to register your interest and start the application process:

36 Myrtle Street, Glen Waverley email: info@wavlink.org.au ph: 9561 7104







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