Communities for Children Bendigo

Bendigo Playgroups 2026

A playgroup is a group of parents or caregivers with their children aged 0-5 who get together regularly for play and social interaction. Some playgroups are called "Supported Playgroups". They are for families who may require extra support. At a supported playgroup families can seek out advice, find information about support services and extend their social network.

Every playgroup varies according to the needs of their families. In Bendigo most playgroups are open to all families and meet in the morning during school terms.

For more information about playgroups, please check the Bendigo Playgroups Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/groups/bendigoplaygroups or visit the Playgroup Victoria website at www.playgroup.org.au/find/ This flyer can also be found online at www.c4cbendigo.com.au/resources

Supported Playgroups

BaptistCare Supported Playgroup

Salvation Army Worship Centre, 65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

For families who may be experiencing difficulties.

When: Wednesday
Cost: No cost
Contacts:
Jess Bennett
0434 817 233
jess.b@baptistcare.org.au
Angie Hayden
0418 519 730
angie.h@baptistcare.org.au
www.baptcare.org.au/services/family-youth-and-foster-care/victorian-services/home-start-program

C4C-Shine Bright Supported Playgroups

See website for details.

When: Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, White Hills
Cost: No cost
Contact: Elly Uren
0448 831 406
Lauren Brown
0447 576 278
Bronte O'Brien-Smith
0439 545 392
www.c4cbendigo.com.au/projects/supported-playgroups-project/

Small Talk Supported Playgroups

City of Greater Bendigo region

Places are limited for this supported playgroup and session times may vary – enrolment is essential. Please contact the Small Talk facilitators for information.

When:

- **Monday, 9:30 -11:30am,** Huntly Primary School (101 Brunel Street)
- **Wednesday, 9:30-11:30am,** BCHS Kangaroo Flat (19-21 Helm Street)
- **Thursday, 9:30 -11:30am,** BCHS Central site **CALD-Karen- Specific Playgroup**
- **Thursday, 9:30 - 11:30am,** The Old Church on the Hill (36 Russell Street)
- **Friday, 9:30 - 11:30am,** California Gully Primary School (4-14 Staley Street)

Cost: Free
03 5406 1200
smalltalk@bchs.com.au
https://www.bchs.com.au/our-services/children-families/smalltalk-supported-playgroups/

Parents and Preschoolers Playgroup

Weeroona Uniting Church, Cnr Neale and Condon Streets, Kennington

Supported playgroup facilitated by church volunteers. Playgroup is multicultural, free and families bring and share morning tea. Children from birth to school age. Indoor and outdoor play, craft, songs and stories. All welcome.

When: Thursday, 10-11.30am
Cost: No cost
Contact: Fiona Shenahan
0409 439 458

Community Playgroups | Operating during term dates unless otherwise specified

Benetas Busy Bees Multigenerational Playgroup
Benetas Residential Aged Care Eaglehawk, 112 Upper California Gully Rd, California Gully

A fun, creative, playful facilitated playgroup for all ages.

When: Thursday 10-11.30am
Cost: No cost
Contact: Adrienne Comensoli
03 5446 9699
adrienne.comensoli@benetas.com.au

Creek Street Playgroup
Creek Street Church, 91 Creek St, Bendigo

All welcome. Christian based.

When: Monday
Cost: No cost
Contact: Coral Maxwell
03 5409 2054
info@creekstreetchurch.com
www.creekstreetchurch.com.au/playgroup

Eaglehawk North Primary School Playgroup
Darcy St, Eaglehawk

All welcome. Please bring a snack and water bottle for your little one.

When: Monday, 9.30-11.30am
Cost: No cost
Contact: Rebecca Pickles
0428 823 464
rebeccampickles@hotmail.com

Elmore Kindergarten
65 Hervey Street, Elmore

All welcome.Check Facebook page for updates/activities.

When: Friday 9.30-11am
Contact: Caitlyn Curtis
0438 189 899
elmoreplaygroup@gmail.com

Epsom Community Church Playgroup
269 Midland Highway, Epsom

All welcome. Please contact us to find out more.

When: Tuesday
Cost: $35 per family per term
Contact: Sarah Sergeant
0405 824 125
sargeantsarah@gmail.com

Franks Little Friends Playgroup
St Francis of the Fields Community Centre, 46 Blucher St, Strathfieldsaye

All welcome.

When: Monday, 9am - 10:30am
Cost: Gold coin donation
Contact: Ash Barbetti
abarbetti@sfstrathfieldsaye.catholic.edu.au

Friday Playgroup
St John's Presbyterian Church, Cnr Forest & MacKenzie Sts, Bendigo

All welcome.

When: Friday 10-11.30am
Cost: $2 per family + a one-off registration fee of $25 (health care card $15)
Contact: Playgroup Coordinator
03 5443 6189
bendigopc@gmail.com
bendigopc.org.au/meetings/playgroups/

Fusion Playgroup
60 Raglan St, White Hills

All welcome.

When: Friday morning
Cost: Gold coin donation
Contact: Jayne Dixon
0493 872 541
jayne.dixon@fusion.org.au

Heathcote Playgroup
Bunbunarik, 165 High St, Heathcote

Free play for children aged 0-5 years oldand their parents and carers.

When: Tuesday, 10am-12pm
Please join the Heathcote Playgroup Facebook group for more information and meeting dates.
Cost: No cost
digitalzenproductions@gmail.com

Hope Community Playgroup
St Clements's Church, 629 Midland Hwy, Huntly

All welcome.

When: Thursday, 9.30-11am
Cost: No Cost
Contact: Hannah
0481 020 939

HT Playgroup
Holy Trinity Church, 14 Keck St, Flora Hill

HT Playgroup provides a fun time for children and an opportunity for mums, dads and carers to build community and friendships. Please bring a hat, drink and morning tea.

When: Tuesday, 9.30-11am
Cost: $15 per term
Contact: Cindy Bell
0429 404 125
bellscottage@me.com

Kangaroo Flat Community House Playgroup
21 Woolcock Ave, Kangaroo Flat

At our playgroup, every moment is an opportunity to laugh, learn and connect. Come join us for colourful crafts, imaginative play, cosy reading time and joyful connection.

When: Monday
Cost: No cost
Contact: Maria
5447 9687

Little Legends Playgroup
Eaglehawk North Primary School

A welcoming place for parents, carers and grandparents. Come along with your little one, enjoy a safe, nurturing space of play, music and musical instruments, art and craft and quiet book corner. For 0-4 years old.

When: Thursday, 10.00-11.30am
Cost: No cost
Contact: Linda Nevill
0447 179 880

Lockwood Community Playgroup
190 Wiegards Rd, Lockwood

Lockwood Community Playgroup is an inclusive and friendly playgroup for children aged 0 to 5 years old, run by a volunteer parent. Playgroup sessions are held in the big blue shed (to the right of the school office building).

When: Friday, 9.30-11am. Check out our Lockwood Primary School Facebook page for updates.
Cost: No cost
Contact:
03 5435 3224
lockwood.ps@education.vic.gov.au
https://www.facebook.com/LockwoodPrimarySchool

Multi Birth Playgroup
Eaglehawk Nortn Primary School, 1-9 Bendigo-Pyramid Rd, Eaglehawk

Come together, celebrate our children and our unique journeys as parents of twins, triplets (etc) and premmies.

When: Friday fortnightly, 10am
Cost: No cost
Contact: Dee Coote
0402 124 378

Multicultural Playgroup
Long Gully Neighbourhood Centre, 52-54 Derwent Drive, Long Gully

An enriching Multicultural Playgroup, where captivating stories and traditions from various cultures come alive.

When: Thursday, 10am-12.30pm
Cost: No cost
Contact: Lar Ka Paw
0482 172 252

Mums and Munchkins
Bendigo Church of Christ, 35-39 Short St, Bendigo

All welcome. Focus is adults connecting with each other whilst children play (unstructured).

When: Wednesday
Cost: No cost
Contact: Katelyn Vercoe
0407 607 992
admin@bendigochurchofchrist.org.au
www.bendigochurchofchrist.org.au/church-life/

Mum's Walk Bendigo

A twice weekly walk around Lake Weeroona designed to help mums get out of the house, meet new people, build friendships and feel a little less alone in the motherhood journey.. Newcomers welcome. Find us by searching Mums Walk Bendigo on Facebook.

When: Wednesdays, 9.30am and Thursdays 11.15am (meet at the Lake Weeroona Playground entrance).
Cost: No cost

Old Church on the Hill Playgroup
36 Russell St, Quarry Hill

Usually in the garden or on wet/windy days we head inside the old church.

When: Wednesday, 9.30 - 11.30am
Cost: Gold coin donation
Contact: Kate Skinner
0466 382 615
kateskinner98@gmail.com

Parent Child Mother Goose

Focus on singing, rhyme and stories for attachment & bonding.

When: Tuesday at Bendigo Early Parenting Centre, Thursday at Bendigo Library
Cost: No cost
Contact:
Jess Bennett
0427 312 683
jess.b@baptistcare.org.au
Angie Hayden
0418 519 730
angie.h@baptistcare.org.au
www.c4cbendigo.com.au/projects/parent-child-mother-goose/

Premmie Playgroup
Strathfieldsaye Bowls Club, 42 Club Street, Strathfieldsaye

A caring community to support everyone. Providing a clean, sanitised space that ensures we meet the needs of compromised immunities often present in premature babies and children.

When: Tuesdays fortnightly, 9:30am-11.30am
Cost: $5.00
Contact: Talissa Glazner
0422 446 808
premmieplaygroup@gmail.com
https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61579343012522&sk=photos

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Raywood Playgroup
50-52 Inglewood St, Raywood

Relaxed community run playgroup

When: Monday, 10-11.30am
Cost: N/A
Contact: Jemma Coates
0432 287 785
jemma3570@gmail.com

Reforming Kids Playgroup
Reforming Church, 17 Victa Rd, East Bendigo

A place for your little one to play, sing songs, listen to stories, experiment with bubbles, textures and nature, learn to play with others and have fun!

The playgroup is run by some of the women in our church but you don't have to be a church member or any particular faith group to be involved.

When: Tuesday, 10.00-11.30am
Cost: $20 per term per family or $5 casual.
Come and try first session for free.
Contact: Aimee Grinter
aimee.grinter@gmail.com
reformingchurch.org/playgroup

Speci Playgroup
Specimen Hill Primary School,Inglewood St, Golden Square

All welcome. Speci Playgroup is a low key, easy going free play environment with a different art/craft activity each week. Tea and Coffee is provided but please BYO snack and drink for child/ren.

When: Monday
Cost: No cost
Contact: Chloe Hickey
0487 912 330
chloe.hickey@education.vic.gov.au

St. Liborius Playgroup
St. Liborius Primary School, MacKillop Room, Liborius Centre, 379 Eaglehawk Road, Eaglehawk

All welcome. Facilitated Playgroup. Please contact us directly for further details.

When: Thursday, 9-11am
Cost: $3.00 per family
Contact: Matisse Van Domburgh
03 5446 9172
mvandomburgh@sleaglehawk.catholic.edu.au
www.sleaglehawk.catholic.edu.au/playgroup-at-st-liborius/

Spring Gully Bush Playgroup
Muldoon Reserve Pump Track, Spring Gully

A relaxed, welcoming space for little adventurers and their grown ups. Join us for muddy puddles, bush exploring, and nature fun. Rain, hail, or shine – we're outside every time!

When: Tuesday, 9:30-11.30am
Cost: No cost
Contact: Amanda Ninnis
0400 046 647
www.facebook.com/groups/562649730001813/about/

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wonyotjarrapil Playgroup
djimbaya Kindergarten,119 Prouses Rd, North Bendigo

For Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander families

When: Wednesday
Cost: No cost
Contact: Tara-Jane Priest
0427 180 690
Tara-jane.priest@bdac.com.au

This information was correct on 11 May 2026. If this flyer needs correction, please contact Communities for Children (C4C) Bendigo on (03) 5440 1100 or c4cbendigo@anglicarevic.org.au