

Outdoor Connections

Making connections - with others, with the animals, together!

We have a fantastic opportunity to use the location at Four Oaks Farm for some equine-assisted therapy. Children will learn skills to connect to each other and to others through interacting with the animals and each other in an outdoor farm environment, supported by the equine specialists at Four Oaks Farm, and experienced special needs educator Meg Eusope.

Skills practiced will include animal care, care of horses and preparation for riding, supported activities on horseback, developing confidence and skills for working with others, including negotiation, planning together, and managing frustration and anxiety. It is expected the activities, will have the added benefits of practicing gross and fine motor skills, and improving balance and body awareness. **This year we will include advanced options for developing new skills and responsibilities,**

Each session will include an hour with the animals and on horseback, including preparing for working with the animals, and an hour of small group facilitated social learning activities outside and in the beautiful large barn. The barn has a fully equipped kitchen including tea and coffee making facilities for the parents.

Sessions may be cancelled if weather is inclement (ie strong winds and heavy rain, extreme cold) or over the forecast temperature of 36degrees for Mt Barker for the time of the session.

The sessions may be claimable on NDIS, depending on the individual goals.

Suitable for children aged 4—teenage years.

Requirements: Long pants and enclosed shoes. Helmets provided.

Enquiries to Meg Eusope ☎0422407855

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Social learning in a high interest farm environment.

Session Dates for Term 1, 2020

Session 1	Tuesday 25 th February
Session 2	Tuesday 3 rd March
Session 3	Tuesday 10 th March
Session 4	Tuesday 17 th March
Session 5	Tuesday 24 th March
Session 6	Tuesday 31 st March
Session 7	Tuesday 7 th April



\$150 per child per 2 hour session, may be claimable on NDIS if eligible and the sessions contribute to the child's goals.

Sessions cancelled due to inclement weather will not be charged.

Skill achievement challenges are optional for those wishing to develop greater skills and responsibilities.



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Expression of interest and service agreement

Please return the following by email to:

meg@diverselearning.com.au

For queries phone Meg on 0422407855

Parent/Guardian Information:

Name: _____ Phone Contact: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Emergency Contact: _____

Child Details:

Child's name _____ DOB: _____ Weight and height (horse size) _____

Preferred time for your child to attend? (please circle)

10.30am-12.30pm 11.30am-1.30pm 2pm-4pm 3pm-5pm

Weekly Fortnightly

Name of any other child would like to attend with _____

Child's particular interests: _____

Child's dislikes: _____

What do you hope for from your child's participation in this program? _____

Any other information about your child: _____

If NDIS funded, are you (please circle) Self-managed Agency managed Plan-managed

NDIS no _____

The program's main aims are to improve social skills and development. If NDIS funded, please also include a copy of the NDIS goals for your child.

We have two streams—Capacity Building or Social Community and Civic Participation (core)

Please circle which stream you require: *CB (therapy) / Core supports*

Our program includes 2 hours of group activity with a 1:1 assistance for one of the hours.

All NDIS providers are required to participate in regular auditing by NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission. Please note auditing of the participants file can be at your discretion.

I would like to opt out of participation in the NDIS audit process.

I _____ as parent/carer/nominee for _____ agree to their participation in the Outdoor Connections social skills Program. I understand that a cancellation fee of \$100 applies if cancelled later than 7pm on the evening prior to the session. I understand Diverse Learning will not charge a fee if Diverse Learning cancels the session due to inclement weather, extreme heat or dangerous conditions such as a catastrophic fire danger forecast. Diverse Learning will email any cancellation notices the evening prior to a session.

Signed: _____ Name _____ Date _____

Diverse Learning representative: _____ Date _____