



## August 2024 Newsletter



Welcome to August!

We're so excited because it means our [Stronger Together Conference](#) is just around the corner! **It's not too late to book tickets**, so if you or someone you know would like to spend a day **connecting with local parents and carers, accessing information about services, and listening to inspiring guest speakers**, [grab your tickets here](#). There are also [limited tickets available](#) for **industry professionals** to see Em Mainey (aka **NeuroWild**) to learn about **neurodiversity-affirming practice**.

We've also **opened up registrations** for our [Annual Charity Golf Day](#). There are **lots of ways to get involved**, even if you don't play, so we **hope to see you there** for another fun day!

**Speaking of fun**, we are so pleased that families from all over the Hills District and surrounding areas had **such a great time** at our **Community Access Event** at Inflatable World during the school holidays! It was thanks to a Castle Hill RSL ClubGRANT that we were able to host this wonderful event.

During the holidays, our very popular **Create, Play & Explore** groups got involved in all things Disney, crafting everything from their very own Forky from *Toy Story*, to *Zootopia* balloon animals and even magical slime! It was lovely to see the children so engaged, twisting and twirling with scarves and parachutes along to everyone's favourite, 'Let it Go'! We also ran another **SibWorks program**, specifically for siblings of children with a disability. We love being able to provide this service, with thanks to CommBank Staff Foundation and Hills Shire ClubGRANTS.

It's been a **great start to Term 3** with our popular group programs. Check out our **service highlight** later in this newsletter to learn more about one of our supported playgroups, [Communication Explorers](#). We also have **immediate availability for speech therapy**, so contact us if you're interested in accessing our services.

We'll see you at the Conference soon!

**Ellen Witzlsperger**

CEO, Stronger Together Foundation

Educational & Developmental Psychologist

## Announcements



### Stronger Together Conference

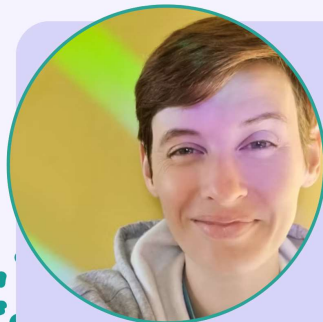
Limited tickets are still available for our annual **Stronger Together Conference**, to be held at the Castle Hill RSL on **Saturday 31st August 2024**.

Facilitated by journalist and mother Jo Abi, guest speakers include Paralympian Tamsin Colley, Kathrin Peereboom (founder of Spectrum Support) and more!

[Book your ticket here](#)

Are you an industry professional looking to book into our **Professional Workshop** with **NeuroWild**? Scroll down to the next announcement for more info.

## Announcements



### Stronger Together Professional Workshop

Em is a late-diagnosed Autistic and ADHD speech pathologist, illustrator, and the human behind the social media account NeuroWild. She is also a mum to three neurodivergent kids.

Em spends her time creating illustrated resources to explain concepts in and around neurodiversity.

We are thrilled to be able to offer a **2-hour neurodiversity-affirming practice workshop** with Em to industry professionals. Please join us on **Friday, 30th August** at **12.30pm** at the **Castle Hill RSL**.

[Book your ticket here](#)



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# ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF DAY

## 2024

FRIDAY 18 OCTOBER 2024

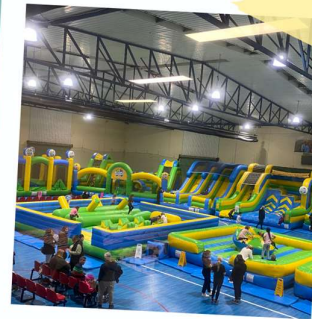
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## INFLATABLE WORLD



“I thought it was absolutely amazing, both my kids had an amazing time and it was great knowing I could take my son and not worry about what happens if he gets overstimulated or upset.”

# INFLATABLE WORLD



“My son loved it and could have spent all day there.”



“The event ran very smoothly. From the initial booking through to receiving social stories and then upon arrival, quickly being seen to check in. Everyone had a smile on their face and it was so relaxing for once with my daughter in a social setting as everyone was in the same boat.”



# CREATE, PLAY & EXPLORE





# SIBWORKS



"I liked that it was a small group of children, all around her age so she felt understood by people her own age."



"I thought it was great. I think it's amazing (and appreciate greatly) that it was a funded program as I feel sibling carers are overlooked and there isn't much out there."

## Service Highlight



Have you heard about our newest group program, **Communication Explorers?**

This playgroup provides opportunities for parents and young children to engage socially, play together and learn together.

It's perfect for parents who want to understand HOW to support their child's communication development. You will learn strategies to help your child's communication thrive in everyday routines.

If you're interested in attending Communication Explorers with your child, please contact us: 1300 111 783 or [info@stf.org.au](mailto:info@stf.org.au)

"Communication is everywhere! We are really enjoying exploring all the different ways the children communicate in their play and routines. We love seeing how excited the parents are to find these communication opportunities!"

**Emma, Speech Pathologist**



# SPEECH THERAPY SERVICES

*We have immediate availability for our speech therapy services!*

Contact us today to learn more about how we can support your family



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