A message from Ellen



As we wrap up another month at Stronger Together Foundation, I'm proud of all that's been happening across our community. From our Parent Connections Workshop on toileting to connecting with new families and service providers at the Hills Disability Expo.

There's alot to look forward to in the coming months including our July school holiday programs, the Stronger Together Conference with the addition of an exciting new Talent Showcase, and the launch of our End of Financial Year (EOFY) Appeal. If you're in a position to give, your donation can help us continue delivering inclusive programs and support services to families who need it most.



Last month, we hosted another popular Parent Connections Workshop on **toileting**. Presented by our Lead Occupational Therapist, Rhyannah

Families joined us online live, sharing questions and personal experiences in a safe and supportive space. It was a valuable opportunity to explore how to approach toileting in a way that feels comfortable for both children and parents. If you missed the session, you can read the blog or watch the youtube video on our website.

Link to Resources

On 21 May, Ellen and Anwyn proudly represented Stronger Together Foundation at the Hills Disability Expo. It was a fantastic opportunity to share more about our services, connect with local families, and strengthen relationships with other providers in the disability space.

They answered questions from attendees, built valuable partnerships, and explored potential exhibitors for our upcoming Stronger Together Conference. It was a great reminder of the power of community and the importance of working together to support families across the Hills District.

Stronger Together Conference



Tickets are now on sale for our annual Stronger Together Conference on Saturday 16 August!

This is a special day for parents, carers, and professionals to connect, learn, and feel inspired by others walking a similar path.

We're thrilled to welcome **Sarah Hayden** as our **keynote speaker**. Sarah is an advocate, mother of Chloe Hayden and powerful voice for inclusion who will share her personal journey and insights into navigating life with authenticity and resilience.

Book your tickets early to secure your place

Book your tickets



We're excited to introduce something new to the conference this year, an Inclusive Talent Showcase! The showcase is for young people aged 6–17 with a disability or neurodivergence. Whether it's singing, dancing, comedy or something completely unique. It's a celebration of creativity, courage, and individuality.

If you know a young performer or group who'd love to be involved, encourage them to register now—spaces are limited and filling fast!

<u>Register Now</u>



SibWorks | 7–9 July

A small group program for siblings of children with disability or neurodivergence. SibWorks provides a safe, supportive space where children aged 8–12 can share their experiences, build resilience, and connect with others who truly understand.

Create, Play, Explore | 10 - 11 July & 17 - 18 July A 2-day program for children in Years 1 to 4, combining art, sensory play, social interaction, and movement.

Places are limited.

Enquire Now



Siblings Australia, in partnership with Belongside Families, is offering a free webinar series to support families of children with disability.

Each session combines expert insights and real-life experiences, providing practical tools to help nurture sibling relationships and build resilience across the whole family.

The Sibling Role: Now & Into the Future: Tue 10 June School & Community Connections: Tue 17 June Sibling Support in Medically Complex Families: Tue 24 June

All sessions run from 12pm-12:45pm Register to attend live or access the replay: https://collections.humanitix.com/siblings World of Minecraft is bringing their popular holiday camps to The Ponds and Hills Grammar this July holidays! These workshops are designed for children aged 7–14 and provide a fun, inclusive environment where kids can build, play, and connect with others through the world of Minecraft. The program is NDIS-friendly and may be suitable for families with Self-Managed funds.

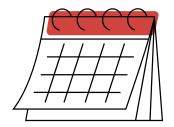


www.worldofminecraft.com.au



Motiv8sports is holding its first All Abilities Sports Camp at St Gabriel's School, Castle Hill these school holidays! Running 8:30am to 3:30pm each day, this high-energy, inclusive event is designed to support children of all abilities, including those with disabilities or additional needs. Open to students from Kindergarten to Year 12 motiv8sports.com.au





Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA) Workshop with Heidi Brandis

We're excited to announce an upcoming professional development workshop with psychologist Heidi Brandis, focused on understanding and supporting children with PDA (Pathological Demand Avoidance).

Tickets and further details will be released next week – stay tuned!

Friday 8th August Communication schening

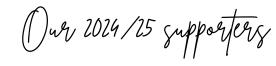


We've had a great response to our **FREE** communication screeners this term that we'll be running them again in Term 2! These screening sessions are for children who will be starting kindergarten in 2026 or later. They take about 30 minutes and are designed to help with early detection of any specific communication difficulties. The screeners are held onsite at the Foundation on Wednesday afternoons.

Book now..





















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