

A message from Ellen



As we move into the second half of the year, it's been wonderful to see so much happening.

We're thrilled to share that our **End of Financial Year Appeal** raised \$3,090 — thank you to everyone who donated and supported our mission.

Looking ahead, our Stronger Together Conference is coming up next month, and tickets are on sale now. It's set to be a fantastic day - we'd love to see as many families and professionals join us as possible.

Our **Term 3** group programs are now open for enrolment, offering more opportunities for children and families to connect and grow.

Thank you for being part of our community and for continuing to support the work we do.

[Read more about our conference](#)

Stronger Together Conference



The Stronger Together Conference is back for its 4th year! The conference is designed especially for parents and carers of a person with a disability or neurodivergence.

This event isn't just about information — it's about connection. You'll be surrounded by people who truly understand your journey.

Tickets are on sale now!

***“The connections I made that day are still with me.
It was exactly what I needed.”***

For more information



**STRONGER
TOGETHER**
Conference

**HAVE YOU BOUGHT
YOUR TICKETS YET?**

BUY YOUR TICKETS

Christmas in July



Christmas in July: A mid year staff celebration!

We swapped uniforms for cringy Christmas jumpers and turned up the festive vibes for a night full of laughs, connection, and mid-year magic!

From groan-worthy puns and cheeky awards to fierce rounds of Charades and a wildly entertaining game of Bad Santa, the night was a joyful celebration of everything that makes our team so special. It was a reminder of how lucky we are to be part of such a vibrant, caring, and downright fun crew.

Curious to see what went down (and who sleighed the dress-up game)?

Click below to read the full blog and check out all the festive photos!

[Click here to read more](#)

PDA Workshop



PDA Workshop with Heidi Brandis – Tickets Now Available!

We're excited to host psychologist Heidi Brandis for a professional development workshop focused on Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA), a profile on the autism spectrum that can be complex to navigate.

This session will offer practical strategies for allied health therapists and educators supporting children with PDA.

Date: 8th August, 1pm to 4pm

Location: Online

Tickets are now available – spots are limited!

For more information

Save the
Date



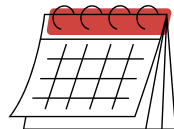
A Night in Tuscany

We're thrilled to announce our upcoming Ladies Night, A Night in Tuscany at Entrata, Glenhaven on 23 October.

Mark it in your calendar — tickets and further details will be available soon!

We're also on the lookout for a **major sponsor and prize donations**. If you're interested or know a business who might be, please get in touch at info@stf.org.au

**Thursday 23rd
October**



2025 Term 3 Group Program Schedule

MONDAY

**Andy Bear Club
(3-5 years)**

8:30am - 11:30am

**Kidz Club
(Kindergarten-
Year 4)**

3:30pm - 5:00pm

TUESDAY

**Andy Bear Club
(3-5 years)**

8:30am - 11:30am

**School Ready Kidz
(children starting
Kindergarten in
2026)**

12:30pm - 2:30pm

WEDNESDAY

**School Ready Kidz
(children starting
Kindergarten in
2026)**

9:30am - 11:30am

THURSDAY

**Communication
Explorers
(6 months- 4
years)**

9:30am - 11:00am

**Kidz Club
(Kindergarten-
Year 4)**

3:30pm - 5:00pm

FRIDAY

**School Ready Kidz
(children starting
Kindergarten in
2026)**

9:30am - 11:30am



Communication screeners



Due to popular demand, our FREE Communication Screeners are back for Term 3!

If your child is starting kindergarten in 2026 or later, this is a fantastic opportunity to get ahead with a quick, 30-minute check-in on their communication development.

Our expert team will be running sessions Wednesday afternoons at our Castle Hill premises.

Spots fill fast — click to find out more or book your session!

[**Book here**](#)

OT Conference



On June 26th, our Lead Occupational Therapist, Rhyannah, proudly presented our very own Sensory Kidz program at the OT Australia Conference in Adelaide!

We're so proud to see both Ryannah and Sensory Kidz on the national stage.

Want to read more? Click the button below to learn about her experience!

[Click here](#)

EOFY Appeal



Thank you for your generous support of our EOFY appeal.

We raised \$3,090! The kindness from our donors means we can take our sensory breakout tent to more community events, creating calm, inclusive spaces where children feel safe to take a break. For many families, this makes the difference between joining in or staying home.

On behalf of all of us at Stronger Together Foundation, thank you!

NDIS Changes

Update on NDIS Pricing Changes

As you will have seen recently in the media, there have been significant changes to NDIS pricing that may impact service access and delivery. We have shared our position in a letter sent directly to families and have and will continue to address concerns as they arise.

Please know that the Stronger Together Foundation is actively advocating against these detrimental changes.

If you have further questions or need support, please don't hesitate to reach out.



*In the
community*

Play Well Soccer – Supported Session with Western Sydney Wanderers!

Registrations are now open for the upcoming Play Well Supported Soccer Session with the Western Sydney Wanderers!

This free, one-day program is designed for children with disability and offers a safe, inclusive, and fun environment to learn and enjoy soccer at their own pace. With the support of experienced coaches, kids will build skills, confidence, and friendships through play.

Date: Thursday, 15 July

Time: 9am – 4pm

Location: Les Shore Oval, Glenorie

Ages: 7–10 (Juniors) and 11–14 (Youth)

Cost: Free



Click to register

Dare to Dream – Sensory Friendly Disney Show

APAC is excited to present a special Sensory Friendly Preview of Dare to Dream, a heart-warming stage show celebrating 100 years of Disney magic. Enjoy all your favourite characters in a supportive, welcoming setting designed for individuals and families with sensory needs.



Venue: Pioneer Theatre, Castle Hill

Date: Friday 11th July

Time: 2:00pm (runtime approx. 60 minutes)

Ticketing: Adults and Children \$22.50 Companion Cards
\$10

[Get your tickets](#)



Sensitive Storytime Sessions

Designed for neurodivergent children aged 2 to 5 years, these free sessions offer a calm environment featuring stories, songs, and sensory activities to encourage early literacy and social interaction.

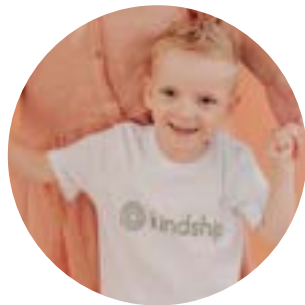
- Schedule: Every Tuesday during school terms, from 9:30 AM to 10:15 AM
- Location: Castle Hill Library, 14 Pennant Street, Castle Hill

FREE Kindship Drop in Sessions

Feeling worried about your child's development, behaviour or the NDIS but not sure where to start?

Kindship's free Drop-In Sessions offer a warm, judgment-free space to talk things through with parents who truly understand. No diagnosis, referral or NDIS plan needed.

Available to families with children aged 0–6 across Australia. Plus, receive a \$100 thank-you voucher for taking part.



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New **TALENT SHOWCASE**

Do you know a young person with a disability or who is
neurodivergent and loves to perform?

We're calling for entries for our
Inclusive Talent Showcase

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