

Child & Family Working Group – Priorities 2016

The Driver

A disengaged community with high levels of intergenerational disadvantage living in an environment compromised in terms of health and wellbeing, education and safety.

The Child and Family Working Group is committed to improving the communication, literacy skills, opportunities and positive life experiences for families and children 0-12 years of age.

IMPROVE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN CLAYMORE

Actions

Engage hard to engage to prevent and address DFV

- Prevent and address under 12 roaming
- Create integrated C&F centre

Program	Agency	When / Notes	Partner/s	Resources
Family referral	Uniting Care Burnside		Depends on issue eg mentoring, mental health	Families can call directly 1300 244 826
Ckan Do – (Claymore Kids Action Network)	TBS	Years 3-6	Run at Pocet	Funding – Race for Change. TBS HO.
Kids Craft & Hip Hop	TJW	Mondays 3-4.30	Community members & volunteers	Claymore Community Centre
Energise – afternoon school activity	MDSI	Wednesdays (school term) 2.45-3.45 Approx 20 kids. Free + afternoon tea	Held at Claymore Public	
Street BBQs (soft entry).	MDSI	Wednesdays (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & 5 th of month)	FACS family referral info. Other service info Claymore Facebook	Donations

Police Liaison	Macquarie Fields Police – Crime Prevention Officer	Referral - Parents can be fined	Agencies referring	Claymore Connect – school holidays with Community Engagement WG
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Issues or gaps – Prevention strategies that target those less likely to engage

IMPROVE THE EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN ENTERING SCHOOL

Actions

- Create integrated C&F centre

Program	Agency	When / Notes	Partner/s	Resources
Transition to School	TBS	Fridays 9.30-11.30 from 29 th July	Claymore Public School	
Hippy (Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters). Two year program	MDSI	Mondays - weekly Yr 1 and fortnightly Yr 2. 64 families.	TJW	Claymore Community Centre
<i>Let's Count. (train the trainer)</i>	<i>Smith Family</i>	<i>Those with training can use skills in any programs</i>	<i>Transition to School. Hippy</i>	<i>The Smith Family bags</i>
Playgroup. Tues AM 9.30-12	MDSI (Sheree)	Tuesday 9.30-12.00	Claymore Public School	
Child care centres	Waratah (Council) Guardian Angel (Baptist) Rainbow Centre Blairmount for Kids (also has OOSH)			
Speech & OT Therapists	TBS Playgroup	Term 3 & 4 Weds	TJW	Club Grants
Family day care ?	Individual families			

Pre-School - Age 4+	Claymore Public School - FULL	Daily 9am – 2.45pm – groups alternate 2 or 3 days /week \$1 or \$10 per day		
Blairmount for Kids Preschool & OOSH		6am		
Wheely Good Fun.	TBS	Wednesday 9.30-11.30am		Bus/van
Claymore Therapy Clinic	TJW	Tuesday 1-5pm. 0-65 yrs		

Issues or gaps – increase school readiness through improved transition-to-school programs; this includes improvements to the model of practice and more program spaces. Rise-like program for primary school students.

IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF FAMILIES IN CLAYMORE

Actions

- Increase sporting activity under 12
- Create integrated C&F centre

Program	Agency	When / Notes	Partner/s	Resources
Well being Centre.	TBS	Every Tuesday. Coffee & Chat / 1 week. Health care practitioners / alt week.	Argyle Housing	
Cook Taste Create.	MDSI	Mondays school terms, 10-2	Gumnut	
Food Express	Oz Harvest	Every Monday (except public holidays) 2pm until all run out	CCC	
Circle of Security	TBS			
iMatters	TBS			

Issues or gaps – support for parents whose child/children have been removed. Elderly.