







## Paw Pals School Holiday Program

# Expression of Interest (EOI)

Paw Pals has been partnering with local schools and students in Ballarat since 2022. Building on this strong foundation, our school holiday program offers fun, engaging activities that strengthen peer connection, boost self-confidence, and support students in developing greater independence.



### PROGRAM DETAILS

-  **Grades 4–6**       **Free**
-  **June 29<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, July 2<sup>nd</sup>**
-  **10 AM–2 PM**
-  **Lucas Community Hub, Lucas**
-  **Max. 8 Students per Group**

### KEY FOCUS AREAS

The program provides targeted activities to enhance students' **self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making**. Based on the Paw Pals Curriculum, which aligns with the general capabilities in the Victorian Curriculum. Topics include:

- **Understanding social cues** (e.g., taking turns, teamwork, problem-solving)
- **Coping with mistakes and building resilience**
- **Practice and persistence for success**
- **Mindfulness for wellbeing**, inspired by the way dogs live in the moment and spread joy

### STUDENT INFORMATION

<b>Full Name</b>			
<b>Date of Birth</b>			
<b>School</b>		<b>Year Level</b>	
<b>Parent/ Guardian Name</b>		<b>Contact Number</b>	
<b>Email Address</b>			

<p><b>Does your child have any additional learning or support needs?</b> <i>(Please provide details)</i></p>			
<p><b>SESSION DELIVERY</b></p>			
<p><b>How many days will your child attend?</b> <i>(Multiple days welcome up to 2)</i></p>	<p>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</p>	<p><b>Would you like to explore 1:1 support sessions?</b> <i>(Outside of the School Holiday Program)</i></p>	<p>Yes No</p>
<p><b>How did you hear about the Paw Pals School Holiday Program?</b></p>			
<p>School referral</p>		<p>Word of mouth</p>	
<p>Social media</p>		<p>Other <i>(please specify)</i>: _____</p>	
<p><b>PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT</b></p>			
<p>I confirm that I am the parent/guardian of the above-named student and give permission for them to participate in the Paw Pals School Holiday Program. I understand that submitting this Expression of Interest does not guarantee placement in the program, and I will be contacted regarding further details.</p>			
<p><b>Signature</b> _____</p>		<p><b>Date</b> _____</p>	

**Applications Close Friday 12th June | First-Come, First-Served**

Please email completed form to



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