

Welcome to Term 1 Week 8 2025 Head Start Learning Leader Update!

We're excited for another great year of learning and growth. There are so many opportunities coming up for students in our region. Take a look!

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- Head Start Welcome
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- Genu/BatForce SBAT Program
- AYS Update
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- Victoria Police SWL
- Check out Workforce Australia Trello

Do you have something you would like to add to this update?

Contact: tara.lynch@education.vic.gov.au

What does the Head Start program offer students?

- ✓ A wide variety of apprenticeship & traineeship options
- ✓ real life work skills while still in school
- ✓ genuine employment outcomes

What does it take to be in the Head Start program?

- You must be over 15 and enrolled in year 10, 11 or 12
- Has good school attendance & is punctual & reliable
- Ideally have completed work experience or structured workplace learning
- Committed to studying and learning
- Willing to find work opportunities

Want to know more? Email: headstart.bsw@education.vic.gov.au

EASTER FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL



Gateways Support Services North Geelong are holding their annual Easter Family Fun Festival.

Date: Sunday 6th April 2025

Time: 10am – 3pm (quiet hour 10am – 11am)

Tickets: FREE tickets will be available soon!

A quiet hour from 10am - 11am



BUILDING CAREERS GEELONG

Construction Site Tour Program for Years 9 to 12



Thursday 15 May, 2025

9:30am - 2pm



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- Morning tea and lunch included
- Try-a-trade tastings on commercial and residential sites
- Tour the Gordon TAFE's B&C trade teaching areas
- Work Experience and SWL networking
- Prizes and giveaways on the day

Scan here to register >>>>

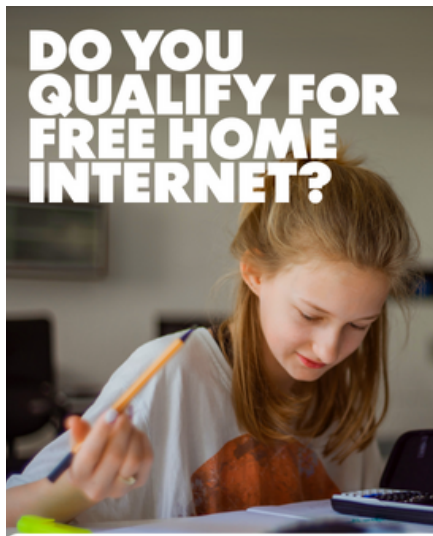


Complete the registration form by Fri 02 May, 2025.

For more information contact:
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DO YOU QUALIFY FOR FREE HOME INTERNET?



FREE HOME INTERNET FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

This is an Australian Government program that offers free home internet to families and carers who look after school age children and are struggling to pay the bills.

To apply, follow the four steps below:

- 1 Contact the National Referral Centre on **1800 954 610** Monday - Friday, 10am - 6pm (AEDT) or visit anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet
- 2 They'll ask you some questions to see if this offer is right for you.
- 3 If you qualify, you'll get a voucher.
- 4 Use the voucher to connect through your chosen participating internet provider before 31 December 2024.



LEARN MORE
Scan QR Code to learn more.

THE BEST PART IS



Free home internet until 31 December 2025



The Wi-Fi router is free and you can keep it



There is no lock-in contract



Assistance provided by the National Referral Centre



Callback, webchat and interpreting are available

If there is a school age student at your home and you don't have an nbn connection, you could qualify for free home internet until the end of 2025.



NOW EXTENDED UNTIL 30/06/2028





HEAD START LEARNING LEADER UPDATE



STRONGER PATHWAYS FOR INCLUSION AND EDUCATION!

+155%

Growth in engagement with BATFORCE Support Boards in one year

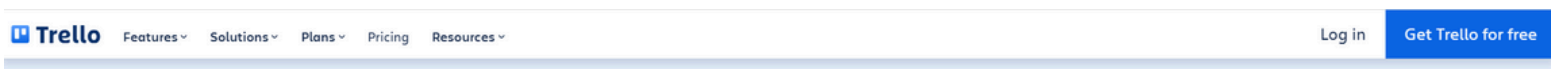


Inclusive Pathways

GenU and BatForce are excited to introduce the pilot Inclusive SBAT Program, designed to create even more opportunities for students. Together, we're paving the way for a more inclusive future!

Explore the resources:

- Ready to Launch - <https://lnkd.in/gEu36r3z>
- Inclusive Pathways - <https://bit.ly/3DgE54c>



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Employment and Education Opportunities - Workforce Australia Local Jobs (Barwon Region)

Public Board

Legend: All individuals, Young people, Parent Pathways, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, CALD, People with a disability, Mature Age, Unemployed 12+ Months, Female, Career Practitioners

Upcoming events: **GEELONG AGED CARE Jobs Expo** (20 March 2025), **What's On Term 1 2025!**, **Work Wise Women Program**

Employment - >10 opportunities: **Workforce Extensions**, **Mcharry's Buslines**, **Strawberry Seed Consulting**

Employment - <10 opportunities: **gforce**, **Workforce Extensions**, **AVADA TRAFFIC**

Training and Employment Programs: **nsta**, **MTC**, **MultiSkills**

Short Courses: **typsy**, **Eclipse Education**, **the Gordon**, **RSA GEELONG**

Other Support: **WHAT'S MY FUTURE?**, **Just-in-Time Learn Local Industry Partnerships**, **OPEN YOUR MIND TO THE WORLD**

2025 INFORMATION NIGHT

Victoria Police - Yr 11 and Yr 12 SWL & Work Experience

Expression of Interest Scan here

Tuesday 18th March

Deakin CATS Community Centre
4.30 pm - 5.30 pm

Arrival from 4:15 pm

Players Stand, GMHBA Stadium
Deakin Cats Community Centre
Southern end of GMHBA stadium

Explore roles and career pathways within Victoria Police by participating in Structured Workplace Learning / Work Experience at Geelong and surrounding stations. Students, parents and school representatives are encouraged to attend this information session prior to returning the expression of interest form to the Geelong Region LLEN.

There are a limited number of placements available and SWL expressions of interest from students who attend the information session will be looked upon favourably in the application process.

Placements will occur over 5 days in a one week block during July School holidays: Monday July 7th to Friday July 11th 2025.

Victoria Police is an inclusive workplace, and values all ages, genders, cultures, religions and sexual orientations in our employees.

Career pathway interests could include:

- General law enforcement
- Police Officer
- Protective Services Officer, PSO
- Police Custody Officer, PCO
- Victorian Public Service VPS employee
- Australian Federal Police
- Forensics
- Youth Work
- Community Services

Please RSVP to jharris@grllen.com.au by Friday 14th March, 2025. Enquiries about this information session can be made to Jo Harris 0430 855 914

GRLLEN 2025 School Program

Free School Program / Activity	Cohort	Date	Duration	Time	Student No. Min	Max	Location	Transport	Meals	
Career Event / Expo										
Melbourne Careers Expo	7-12	20-22 Mar	3-4 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Melbourne (Showgrounds)	School	Student	
Australian Maritime Career Day	7-12	14-28 Mar	1 Day	10:30am	100	100	Australian Maritime College	School	Student	
Geelong Police Careers Expo	7-12	16-18 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong (Police Station)	School	Student	
Trade & Tech Expo	7-12	18-19 Mar	2 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Melbourne Exhibition Centre	School	Student	
School to Work and Work Readiness Workshops										
Resume and cover letters	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Your School	Provided	Student	
CV and industry expectations	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Your School	Provided	Student	
IELTS and English for Academic Purposes	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Your School	Provided	Student	
IELTS Reading for Academic Purposes	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Your School	Provided	Student	
IELTS Writing for Academic Purposes	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Your School	Provided	Student	
IELTS Speaking for Academic Purposes	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Your School	Provided	Student	
IELTS Listening for Academic Purposes	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Your School	Provided	Student	
Mock Interviews										
IELTS Mock Interview	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	25	25	Your School	Provided	Student	
School to Work Industry Immersions										
Building Construction	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	8:30am - 2:00pm	140	140	Construction sites / Geelong TAFE	GRLEN	Included	
Health & Community Services	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	8:30am - 2:00pm	80	80	Geelong TAFE and VFA Learning	GRLEN	Included	
Module 1	Wed 21 Mar	Full Day					Future Health Skills Microcredentials	GRLEN	Included	
Module 2	Wed 28 Mar	Full Day					Industry sites - Cancer Services / Growth Healthcare / St John of God Hospital	GRLEN	Included	
Module 3	Thu 4 Apr	Full Day					Geelong Tech School	GRLEN	Included	
Module 4	Thu 11 Apr	Full Day					Geelong Tech School	GRLEN	Included	
Module 5	Thu 18 Apr	Full Day					Deakin Waterfront - School of Nursing / Midwifery	GRLEN	Included	
Building Industry Careers	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	8:30am - 2:00pm	30	30	Commerical Geelong Yacht Club	Provided	Student	
Building Industry Immersion	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	8:30am - 2:00pm	140	140	Construction Sites / Geelong TAFE	GRLEN	Included	
Pharm Victoria	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	8:30am - 2:00pm	140	140	Community Pharmacy / Geelong TAFE	GRLEN	Included	
Work Experience (WE) - Structured Placement										
Australian Maritime	10	24-27 Mar	4 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	1	1	Australian Maritime College	Student	Included	
City of Greater Geelong	10	24-27 Mar	4 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	1	1	Sports & Aquatics, Child Care, Construction and more	Student	Included	
Ballarat Convention Centre (Ballarat)	10	24-27 Mar	4 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	1	1	Ballarat Convention Centre / Deakin University Waterfront Campus / Geelong TAFE East Campus	GRLEN	Included	
SWL (Structured Workplace Learning) - Structured Placement										
City of Greater Geelong	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	4	4	Health Care Unit, Probation, Parks & Gardens and more	Student	Student	
Victoria Police Information Night	10-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	4:30 - 5:30pm	150	150	Community CAPS Centre, GMHBA Stadium	Student	Student	
Victoria Police	12	09-11 Jul	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	20	20	Geelong Police Station - Forensics, Magistrates Court, Academics, Crime scene analysis	Student	Student	
Incurations and Excursions See BEC Barwon Education Ecosystem for more ideas.										
ILAC	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong TAFE and VFA Learning	Excursion	Excursion	
Geelong Park Stadium Tour	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong Park Stadium	Excursion	Excursion	
Geelong Wood Museum	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong Wood Museum	Excursion	Excursion	
Rail Academy Careers	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong TAFE and VFA Learning	Excursion	Excursion	
Day 2020 Virtual Education program	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong TAFE and VFA Learning	Excursion	Excursion	
ILAC Leadership Simulation Centre	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong TAFE and VFA Learning	Excursion	Excursion	
Geelong College - Cyber Lab	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong College	Excursion	Excursion	
Geelong College - Values in Action	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong College	Excursion	Excursion	
Geelong College - Future Ready	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong College	Excursion	Excursion	
Geelong College - Leadership	9-12	10-12 Mar	3 Days	9:00am - 5:00pm	100	100	Geelong College	Excursion	Excursion	

2025 School Programs Time Table

SCHOOL TO WORK

School to Work

BEC: Barwon Education Ecosystem AI search tool

Contact: Leesa Hanlon 0493 236 775 leesa@grllen.com.au

Jo Harris 0430 855 914



Access Your Supports

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We're here to help you map your unique journey
- TAILORED SUPPORT**
We're here to support you with the things you want us to
- CONNECTIONS**
We're here to connect you with learning opportunities, training providers, and jobs



Worn Gundidj

Worn Gundidj has a strong history of supporting our mob to create better futures for themselves, their families, and our community

We are cultural custodians working to protect and promote our Culture, People, and Place

We are proud to partner with Solar Victoria in the delivery of this innovative project

Get in touch with us

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BOATING CAREERS INDUSTRY IMMERSION



The Boating Careers Immersion Program is proudly presented by VicLLENs, HeadStart and the Boating Industry Association of Victoria. For further information, talk to your school career coordinator or email info@boatingcareers.com.au

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