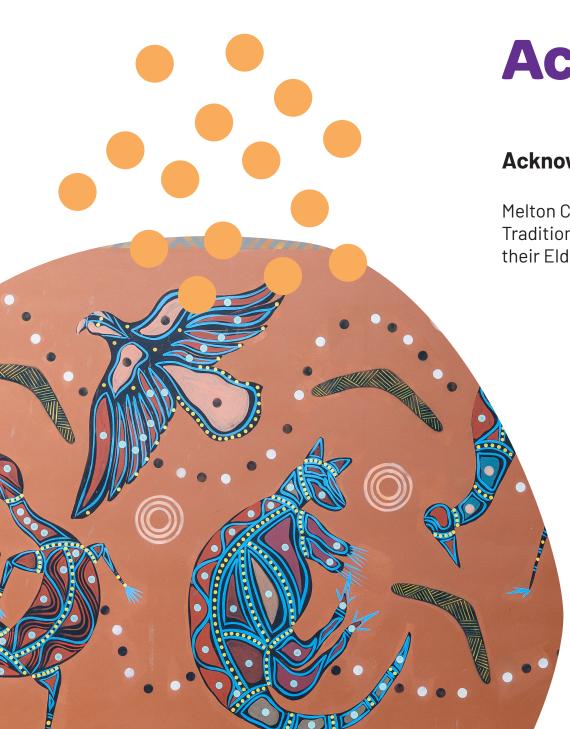
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Youth Holiday Activities (YHA) Social Story







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Thank you for choosing to use a Social Story written for City of Melton Youth Holiday Activities (YHA).

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- Social Story to be read and shared in an environment free of distractions.
- Be calm, comfortable and honest when reading a Social Story.
- · Help the participant comprehend key points and consistently monitor for level of understanding
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I am going to Youth Holiday Activities (YHA).

I need to bring my own lunch.

I might also need to bring a hat and sunscreen.

I will be told if I need to bring any other equipment.



There are some activities close to where I live that don't cost any money.

To go to these activities, I will need to find my own way there.

My family or Support Worker can help me get there if needed.



Other activities cost money.

I will go on a bus to these activities.

The bus will leave from Melton Youth Centre or Taylors Hill Youth and Community Centre.



When I arrive at the Youth Holiday Activities (YHA), there will be staff there called Youth Workers.

Youth Workers are there to help me.

There will also be other young people.



At the start of the day, the Youth Workers will explain the activities to us.

It is important to listen to the Youth Workers so I will know what to do.

I can ask questions if I need to.



Some of the Youth Holiday Activities (YHA) will be indoors and might include:

- movies
- bowling
- trampolining.



Some of the Youth Holiday Activities (YHA) will be outdoors and might include:

- go-karting
- a trip to Funfields
- a trip to Adventure Park.



Sometimes the Youth Workers will stay with me along with the other young people.

Other times, I might do the activity on my own or with the other young people.

There will be a place to meet the Youth Workers if I have questions or need help.

I can bring my own Support Worker to the activity if needed.



The activities will change each school holiday.

I can go <u>online</u> to see the activities on offer, and book into the activities that interest me.



Sometimes, I might feel like there are lots of people at the Youth Holiday Activities (YHA).

Sometimes, it might sound loud at the activities or on the bus.



To help with the noise, I might bring my earphones or ear buds.

I can ask a Youth Worker for the sensory backpack.

The sensory backpack will have fidgets, weighted blanket and squishy toys that might help me relax.

I can ask a Youth Worker for help if I need it.



At the end of free Youth Holiday Activities (YHA), I will leave from the activity to go home.

For paid Youth Holiday Activities (YHA), I will go back on the bus to Melton Youth Centre or Taylors Hill Youth and Community Centre and go home from there.



Youth Holiday Activities (YHA) are a great way to have fun and meet new people.



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