Languages, Literacy & Short Courses

Technology

Work & Life Skills

Our English as an Additional Language (EAL) classes run every term throughout the

New students are welcome to start at any time during the year; an interview with the EAL Co-ordinator is required. Contact us to book.

Literacy for Practical Purposes

26LITFORPRAC

Pre-Intermediate English (Level 2)

Learn language skills tailored for daily tasks, from reading labels to filling out forms. Gain confidence in navigating real-world situations, understanding Australian culture, enhancing independence and participation in society.

Mon 9.30am - 12pm

T1: 2 Feb - 30 Mar (8wks, nc 9/3) T2: 20 Apr - 22 Jun (9wks, nc 8/6) T3: 13 Jul - 14 Sep (10wks) T4: 5 Oct - 7 Dec (9wks, nc 2/11) Full Year: \$190, Conc=\$143 Non-Residents: T1: \$161: T2: \$181

English Communication Skills (L2)

26LANENGCOM

Pre-Intermediate English (Level 2)

Improve communication skills through practising your reading, writing, speaking and listening skills to express yourself effectively in everyday situations.

Tue 9.30am - 12pm

T1: 3 Feb - 31 Mar (9wks) T2: 21 Apr - 23 Jun (10wks) T3: 14 Jul - 15 Sep (10wks) T4: 6 Oct - 24 Nov (7wks, nc 3/11) Full Year: \$190, Conc=\$143 Non-Residents: T1: \$181; T2: \$201

Interested in an After Hours English Class, 6pm to 8.30pm? Please contact us to register on



For Australian permanent residents & citizens. (The ACFE funded courses are supported by the Victorian Government)

English for Work and Study (L3)

26LANENGWKST

Upper-Intermediate & above (Level 3)

Refine skills, express complex ideas confidently, and advance towards fluency, engage in deeper discussion and unlock future opportunities.

Wed 9.30am - 12pm

T1: 4 Feb - 1 Apr (9wks) T2: 22 Apr - 24 Jun (10wks) T3: 15 Jul - 16 Sep (10wks) T4: 7 Oct - 18 Nov (7wks) Full Year: \$190. Conc=\$143 Non-Residents: T1: \$181; T2: \$201

Living English (L1) NEW

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Are you a non-native English speaker who wants to improve your everyday English? This course is designed to give you some basic English language skills and confidence in basic reading, writing, speaking, and listening.

Fri 9.30am - 12pm

T1: 27 Feb - 27 Mar (5wks) T2: 24 Apr - 26 Jun (10wks) T3: 17 Jul - 18 Sep (10wks) T4: 9 Oct - 20 Nov (7wks) Full Year: \$169, Conc=\$132 Non-Residents: T1: \$101; T2: \$201

Speak English Better (L1-L2) NEW 26PQFLANSBE

An English beginner class to improve your everyday speaking & listening skills, in a small friendly and supportive group.

Thu 1pm - 3pm

Starts: 5 Mar - 18 Jun (14wks, nc 9/4 & 16/4)

Cost: \$92, Conc=\$60, NR=\$272

English Conversations

Class for seniors, over 65 yrs who are permanent residents and citizens.

Tuesdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm

T1: 10 Feb - 31 Mar (8wks) T2: 21 Apr - 23 Jun (10wks) T3: 14 Jul - 15 Sep (10wks)

T4: 6 Oct - 24 Nov (7wks, nc 3/11)

Cost: Gold coin donation appreciated.

Short Courses

Affordable & Healthy Gluten-Free

26ENGLITERA

Leap into Literacy

Whether you're a seasoned pro in the kitchen or just starting to explore gluten-free options, this class is for YOU.

Learn how to prepare safe, affordable, healthy and delicious gluten-free meals for coeliacs! Free recipe to take home and try each week.

Mon 1pm - 3pm

T1: 16 Feb - 23 Mar (5wks, nc 9/3) T2: 4 May - 1 Jun (5wks) Per Term: \$52, Conc=\$41, NR=\$111

Fixing Things at Home

26ENGLITERA

Leap into Literacy

Learn to use a variety of hand tools to fix minor repairs at home. Covers the language of fixing things, drilling holes in different surfaces, fixing squeaky hinges, clearing blocked drains, caulking joints,

understanding fuse boxes and more.

Thu 1pm - 3pm

T1: 19 Feb - 19 Mar (5wks) T2: 7 May - 4 Jun (5wks)

Per Term: \$52, Conc=\$41, NR=\$111

Fermentation & Gut Health

26ENGLITERA **Leap into Literacy**

Discover how to make your own probiotic-rich foods like sauerkraut, kimchi, kombucha, and kefir. You'll learn how fermentation supports digestion, immunity, and overall wellness. Includes take-home jars of your creations!

Thu 1pm - 3pm

T2: 7 May - 4 Jun (5wks) Cost: \$52, Conc=\$41, NR=\$111

live.laugh.learn.

Chatbots and Al 26DSDIGSKLL

Leap into Digital Skills

Discover the world of AI and ChatBots. Includes ChatGPT and other chatbots and their interactions, explore using AI for all kinds of aspects in your life including work, daily life tasks, image creation, using AI to manipulate music, and the pitfalls to be aware of!

Mon 12.30pm - 2.30pm

T1: 9 Feb - 23 Feb (3wks)

Thu 10am - 12pm

T2: 7 May - 21 May (3wks) Per Term: \$30, Conc=\$24, NR=\$66

Introduction to 3D Modelling Using SKETCHUP

26DSDIGSKLL

Leap into Digital Skills

Gain practical experience in designing 3D models and familiarise yourself with the SketchUp APP. Be inspired to continue in further studies and design your own kitchen, bathroom or even a new career. Suitable for Beginners.

Wed 6pm - 8pm

T1: 11 Mar - 25 Mar (3wks) Cost: \$30, Conc=\$24, NR=\$66

Online Travel Tools

26DSDIGSKLL

Leap into Digital Skills

Learn to use digital maps and travel apps for everything from public transport to walking tours, Create digital itineraries with TripIt, explore destinations with YouTube, Google Earth and more.

Mon 10am - 12pm

T2: 25 May - 15 Jun (3wks, nc 8/6) Cost: \$30, Conc=\$24, NR=\$66

Data for Everyday Use NEW 26DSDIGSKLL

Leap into Digital Skills

What is data & what is its source? Learn how to interpret charts, trends, basic visualisation tools and to apply your knowledge to create a simple report or dashboard.

Mon 10am - 12pm

T1: 9 Feb - 23 Feb (3wks) Cost: \$30, Conc=\$24, NR=\$66

Introduction to MS Word & Excel

26PQFPDS009W / 26PQFPDS009E

Digital MS Word / Digital MS Excel Learn to create professional documents like cover letters and resumes. Gain practical skills and confidence using basic Word and Excel functions to prepare you for work, study or personal pursuits.

Tue 10am - 12pm

T1-Word: 24 Feb - 24 Mar (5wks) T2-Excel: 5 May - 2 Jun (5wks) Per Term*: \$42, Conc=\$31, NR=\$101 (*softcopy of Learner Workbook included. Hardcopy available at extra cost)

Using Mobile Devices & Avoiding Latest Scams

26DSDIGSKLL

Leap into Digital Skills

Learn the ins and outs of smartphones and tablets, essential apps and features to unlock the full potential of your mobile device. Protect your personal information, recognize and avoid online threats, and set up secure profiles across platforms to navigate the digital world confidently and safely.

Mon 12.30pm - 2.30pm

T1: 16 Mar - 30 Mar (3wks)

Thu 10am - 12pm

T2: 4 Jun - 18 Jun (3wks)

Per Term: \$30. Conc=\$24. NR=\$66

Modern Administration Skills 26PQFPDS002

Office Skills 2

Step into today's office with confidence! This practical course helps you sharpen essential administration skills to thrive in modern workplaces. Learn how to: plan and organize meetings effectively, create professional documents with impact, understand real-world office practices, boost your employability and career opportunities.

Sat 9.30am - 1.30pm

T1: 7 Feb - 28 Mar (8wks) T2: 2 May - 20 Jun (8wks) Per Term: \$139, Conc=\$102, NR=\$341

Digital Online Comms Platforms

26PQFPDS005

Want to stay connected and organized online? Explore Office 365, OneDrive, Teams, Microsoft cloud programs, and Zoom. Develop skills in online collaboration, troubleshooting, file transfer, video communication, organization, storage and more.

Mon 10am - 12pm

T2: 20 Apr - 18 May (5wks) Cost*: \$42. Conc=\$31. NR=\$101 (*softcopy of Learner Workbook included. Hardcopy available at extra cost)

Digital Creativity with CANVA 26DSDIGSKLL

Leap into Digital Skills

Learn how to create stunning visuals for social media, cards, and more using Canva. This beginner-friendly course will help you: Explore Canva's easy-to-use tools and templates; Design eye-catching social media posts and invitations: Learn basic editing techniques for home or work projects; Share and download your creations with confidence.

Mon 10am - 12pm

T1: 16 Mar - 30 Mar (3wks)

Fri 10am - 12pm

T2: 8 May - 22 May (3wks)

Per Term: \$30. Conc=\$24. NR=\$66



PASTA MAKING WORKSHOPS

Tuesdays, 1pm - 3pm

Workshop 1: Gnocchi (5 May) Workshop 2: Lasagna Sheets (12 May)

Workshop 3: Tortellini (19 May)

Cost: \$45 each or \$120 for all 3





CommunityActivities & Events

Yoga Classes*

Gentle: Mon 5.45pm - 6.45pm Intermediate: Mon 7pm - 8pm

T1: 2 Feb - 30 Mar (8wks, nc 9/3)

T2: 20 Apr - 22 Jun (9wks, nc 8/6)

With Meditation & Relaxation Thu 9.15am - 10.45am

T1: 5 Feb - 26 Mar (8wks) \$192 T2: 23 Apr - 25 Jun (10wks) \$240

Pilates Classes*

Intermediate: Tue 6.30pm -7.30pm

Foundation: Tue 7.30pm - 8.30pm

T1: 10 Feb - 31 Mar (8wks) \$128 T2: 21 Apr - 23 Jun (10wks) \$160

*Note: Please inform the instructor of any injuries, ailments or pregnancy before class.

Alamein Seniors' Group

For local residents aged 65 years &

Social Support Group: Mondays and Wednesdays 10am to 12pm. Chair Based Yoga: Thursdays 11am to

For Seniors English Conversations, please contact 9885 9401 for details.

Alamein Community Garden

Volunteers welcome to help. Look out for garden related talks and workshops in 2026!



Interested in an early morning Tai Chi Class, 8am to 9am, Monday or Wednesday? Please contact us to register on 9885 9401 **********

Alamein Men's Shed - Tuesdays

Open to Boroondara men, all ages and by invitation. Registration required.

Tue 9.30am - 11.30am and Tue 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Cost: \$41 per term or \$144 annual

Chatty Cafe, Wednesdays

Everyone welcome to join our chatty cafe for a chat, a snack & a

Wed 10.30am-11.30am (weekly)

Cost: Gold coin donation appreciated.

Alamein Community Shed -Thursdays NEW

Open to men and women with carpentry experience. Work on community woodwork projects as a team with experienced instructor.

Thu 1pm - 3pm

T1: 12 Feb - 2 Apr (8wks) Cost: \$120

Career Support Consultation FREE

Looking for work or unsure about employment? Drop in and meet a Skills & Job Centre career adviser for support with: finding a job, resume and letter writing, interview skills and more.

Wed 9.30am-12.30pm 28 Jan, 25 Feb, 25 Mar, 29 Apr Must book on 9564 2030

Friday Crafts Drop-ins

Participate in craft sessions with a small, relaxed group. BYO craft project.

Fri 1pm - 3pm (weekly)

Cost: Gold coin donation appreciated.

The Ashburton Family Drug and **Gambling Help Support Group**

For family members and friends of loved ones with problematic alcohol, drug or gambling use. To attend, contact the Hotline on 1300 660 068

Boroondara Circular Economy Info Sessions FREE

WED 11 MAR & 13 MAY 11am - 12pm

Discover the power of the circular economy! Join our info sessions to learn how to recycle right, reduce waste, and make a positive impact.

Must book on 9885 9401

Harmony Day FREE

WED 25 MAR 10.30am - 12pm

Join us for some delicious food, fun activities and meet our wonderful, diverse community. Dress in orange, the Harmony Day colour. RSVP by 11 March on 9885 9401

ACRA Easter Market FREE

SAT 28 MAR 10am - 2pm

Buy high-quality handcrafted products, grab friends & family and explore what's on offer. For stall enquiries, please email: acraashburton2025@gmail.com

> or contact Christine on: 9885 8890 -----

NH WEEK: 11 MAY - 15 MAY

Check website for event details!!

*****How to enrol*****

Pick up an enrolment form from the centre during office hours or download one from our website. Payment can be made in person or over the phone by credit/debit card/EFTPOS or EFT. Westpac Banking details are: BSB No.: 033-106 Account No.: 11-0866 (Ref. surname & course name)



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SEMESTER 1: 2 Feb - 26 Jun 2026

2026 - Celebrating 50 Years of Learning, Growing, and Belonging"



Introduction to Carpentry & Bevond

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Learn about timber materials and fastening methods. Gain confidence in using hand and power tools such as planes, drills and bandsaws.

Term 1 project will focus on making a basic step stool.

Fri 9.30am - 12pm

T1: 6 Feb - 27 Mar (8wks) Cost: \$103, Conc=\$81, NR=\$221

Practical Woodworking NEW 26PQFNUMPW

Ready to take your carpentry to the next level? This hands-on class builds on the principles and practical skills of woodworking. Learn to design and construct a simple garden table while mastering essential techniques. Prerequisite: Completion of the "Introduction to Carpentry & Beyond" course.

Thu 9.30am - 12pm

T1: 12 Feb - 2 Apr (8wks) Cost: \$103, Conc=\$81, NR=\$221

Mobile Devices & Cloud Tools NEW

26DSDIGSKLL

Leap into Digital Skills

Learn how to use your smartphone effectively; manage files and folders with ease; store and share safely using the cloud; adjust device settings, ensure safety, create backups and more.

Fri 10am - 12pm

T1: 13 Feb - 27 Feb (3wks) Cost: \$30, Conc=\$24, NR=\$66







Neighbourhood Houses





