

(OURSE GUIDE

2025



ABOUT US

Lalor Neighbourhood House has provided services to our local community for over 37 years. We provide a welcoming and caring professional environment for people to learn new skills, leading the way in English and computer courses and other adult education. We support learners of all ages from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

OUR VISION

To be a welcoming, safe and happy space where you learn, connect and make friends within a culturally diverse community.

COURSES AND ACTIVITIES

Lalor Neighbourhood House specialises in **Pre-Accredited English Language Courses for adults of all abilities.** These popular courses will improve your Literacy Skills and create a pathway to further study, employment or volunteer work.

We also offer a range of shorter **pre-accredited courses in Computer Skills and Literacy.**

We host social groups, art classes, weekly community lunches and cooking and gardening and intergenerational activities with local school students.

School age students and adults can join our fabulous one to one **After School Tutoring** program or our new **Homework Club** group. For pre-schoolers we provide a caring **Occasional Childcare Service** at affordable prices.

OFFICE INFORMATION

Open Monday to Thursday 9am to 4pm

47A French Street, Lalor

Phone 9465 6409 / 9465 5162Email office@lalornh.org.auWeb www.lalornh.org.au















Lalor Neighbourhood House was Lalor Living & Learning Centre until October 2022, when we changed our name to better reflect our place in the Lalor community. LNH acknowledges the support of the Victorian Government.

Lalor Neighbourhood House recognises the rich Aboriginal heritage of this country and acknowledges the Wurundjeri Willum Clan as the traditional custodians of this place.



LALOR REFRESH PROJECT

Join us to continue to transform our little part of Lalor with Murals, Mosaics, Community Gardens, outdoor activities, art exhibitions and environment programs. If you love making things, creating art, gardening, food, caring for the environment or just hanging out with friends and learning new skills — come join us to make Lalor Neighbourhood House (LNH) and surrounds beautiful.

LALOR (REATIVE HUB: SO(IAL ENTERPRISE!

Our federally DSS funded Program provides mainstream activities for people with disabilities.

Join us as we explore gardening, food production, food preserving, art, craft, sewing, making useful objects from recycled materials, sustainable living and more. Our Makers' Space has equipment and tools to create whatever most interests our community. Join us as we explore new ideas, business opportunities and create a local social enterprise!

Contact Meredith, Bushra or Hala on 9465 6409 for more information! Or email: office@lalornh.org.au or just drop in. We'd love to meet you and discuss ideas! Participation is free!

PRE-TRAINING ASSESSMENTS

In order to support your participation in adult education, all those enrolling in our English Classes are required to undertake a pre-training review. This includes an initial assessment of your language, literacy and numeracy skills. Our qualified assessor will help you identify the most suitable course for you, and will support you through the enrolment process. A non-refundable fee of \$50 will be charged for this assessment. Bookings: Tues & Wed at 1pm & 2pm.

2025 Term dates

Term 1 28 January – 4 April

Term 2 22 April – 4 July

Term 3 21 July – 19 September

Term 4 6 October – 5 December

PRE-ACCREDITED COURSES



English Classes
Tuition fee per Semester
For 6 hours per week courses

Full Fee \$354.60 **Concession** \$275 **Self-funded** \$925

Fees include Materials \$75 and Amenities \$75 English for the Workplace

Basic English skills in reading, writing, listening and speaking for those with very little English.

Tuesday & Wednesday 9.00am-12.00pm

Building English Skills in Living and Learning Build on beginner English skills in reading, writing, spelling and oral skills that will aid their participation in Living within the family and community

Tuesday & Wednesday 12.30-3.30pm

English for Living and Working in Australia An Intermediate level course designed to develop English Skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening

Tuesday & Wednesday 9.00am-12.00pm

English Conversation through developing Artistic Skills \$80 per term Conc. \$70 per term Practice your English or help others with their English conversation in a more informal learning environment and develop your artistic talent.

Cooking Healthy Food on a Budget

Mondays—12-3pm 5 weeks in Term 1 & 2 Join Atalia to learn how to cook healthy food at low cost. Very popular course! And delicious and nutritious food. Arabic translations available. \$80 or \$70 concession (food included)

Wednesdays 9.30am-11.30am Intro to Horticulture!

Learn the basics for vegetable growing and a healthy garden. Chance to start a new career doing what you love!

Term 2 Mondays 10am-1pm. \$80 per term, \$70 concession.



COMMUNITY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

We'll be celebrating lots of events in 2025!

Watch this space about regular events and activities including Markets, cultural events, Monthly free op shop, family excursions, garage sale, RUOK day, Ramadan Iftar, Diwali Festival, Easter Chocolate Hunts, International Women's Day, Christmas Community Party and much more



PRE-ACCREDITED COMPUTER COURSES

Tuition Fees per Term

Full Fee \$80 **Concession** \$70/term, 3 hours /week. Wednesday, Friday & Saturday classes.

Welcome to Computers

In this introductory course, you will learn about computers and start to use them with confidence.

Intermediate Computers

Build on your basic knowledge of computers to create text, develop skills and manage documents, word &

Using Internet Devices: Introduction Terms

Learn basic or intermediate skills to access the internet and perform everyday online tasks, including using email and devices (such as iPads and Smartphones).

Pre-accredited Certificates

Certificates of Participation will be awarded for students in pre-accredited programs upon request.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

Subsidised Occasional Childcare

Licensed occasional childcare is available at the Centre attracting the Commonwealth Childcare Subsidy. Childcare is available for 5 hour sessions to the general public Tuesday to Thursdays.

Contact Cathy for information on our affordable rates and to make a booking. **0460 014 469** or

childcare@lalornh.org.au



After School Tutoring

One-to-one tutoring is available for school students from Prep to VCE. Adults are also welcome. Building confidence as learners.

Contact Joyce for bookings and fees On 0425 834 008; joyce@lalornh.org.au

Homework Club—Free

Thursdays: Primary 3.45–5.15 pm; Secondary 4.00—5.30 pm

Small group homework support club for primary and secondary students. Food, fun games and homework support. **Contact Mahe/office**: mahe@lalornh.org.au or office@lalornh.org.au

Buongiorno Bimbi offers fun Italian

sessions for young kids. I am Agnese, an Italian born linguist living in Australia. *Allora, parliamo italiano?* I look forward to having you on board, children and families!

For bookings and enquiries, please contact Agnese

agnese@buongiornobimbi.com.au

Mondays and Fridays

10:15am - 11am kids 0-3 years old 11:15am - 12pm kids 3-5 years old

Youth Public Arts Project

As part of our Lalor refresh 2.0 we are running workshops for young people to transform their public art skills from tagging and graffiti into wonderful public art creations.

Learn sign writing, mural painting, graffiti art and help us develop yet more murals to decorate more walls around Lalor! Contact the LNH team on 9465 6409 for more information.



OTHER PROGRAMS

Free English classes for people Seeking Asylum

Saturdays 9.30-11.00am

Join Shruti in a small class tailored for your needs.



Gruppo Della Amicizia — Older Italian community gatherings

Mondays 10.30am Join our friendly group for an Italian morning tea and share fun activities together.



Thursday community Lunch 11.30 for boxes,

Lunch starts about 12.15—1pm

A partnership with St Vinnies and LNH, Helen, Faye and volunteers will cook up a storm every Thursday and stock up the Thursday food pantry for culturally



appropriate fresh and dry produce to take home. **Contact Hala** on 9465 6409 for more information!

Help with filling forms—Centrelink, Immigration & more Thursdays 11-1.00pm Get help completing those pesky online or paper forms!

Health & Wellbeing Workshops

Join us for our free Meditation in partnership with NEAMI Class 2.30pm—3.30pm

VOLUNTEERS

We are currently looking for volunteers to join our Lalor Refresh project (see front page) and to support our garden project and homework club. We'd also welcome volunteers to help us with our fundraising efforts and our new Social Enterprise project!

Register your interest at: www.lalornh.org.au/about -us/volunteer

LNH acknowledges support from Victorian Government: D DFFH; of Whittlesea, Australian Community Foundation and DSS.

WANT TO START A GROUP?

LNH is here to respond to Community needs, expand and improve our services. Feel free to contact our office on 03 9465 6409 or drop in and tell us what you would like to do at LNH.

Something you would like to learn that is not in this brochure? Do you have a skill or talent that you would like to share with others? Do you have a group that needs a meeting space or would you like to start a new group? Contact us!



ADDITIONAL COURSE INFORMATION

Fees and Charges

Lalor Neighbourhood House is a not-for-profit organisation so we keep our fees and charges as low as possible for fee for service students.

The Victorian Government provides subsidies for many of our courses: eligible students pay the Tuition Full Fee. Concessions may also be available — please contact our office to see if you qualify.

Please go to the website for more information about our fees and refund policy.

LNH provides a safe place respecting cultural, religious and sexual preferences. People with a disability are also encouraged to enrol.

Go to www.lalornh.org.au or use this QR code for more information on our Refund Policy and to learn more about your Rights Responsibilities and our Vision and Purpose.

Agency Referrals

Referrals from agencies seeking to place funded clients in English or Literacy classes are welcome. Initial assessment of learner needs costs \$50, or \$70 if a written report is requested by the referring agency. In accordance with ACFE Guidelines about Fees, the concession fees in this brochure do not apply to students whose fees are met by Commonwealth Government agencies or as part of a Commonwealth program or initiative.

Minimum Class Numbers

It should be noted that classes are subject to minimum enrolments, so some classes may be postponed or may not go ahead.