



Magill Street & Park Gatherings

Play, meet & greet, have fun

Providing a quality lifestyle

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- Prefix Ave Street BBQ Dec 2022
- Nightingale Reserve Park BBQ Nov 2022
- Magill Kindy and Magill CCCC Street Play Nov 2022
- Magill Kindy Street Play May 2023





If it takes a village to raise a child, here's what the Magill community said about the role of street & park gatherings.



Izzy said;

I love riding my bike at the play street with my friends Everly, Ali & Charlie & meeting new friends. I love seeing my Kindy teachers away from Kindy too.



Bec, Izzy's Mum said;

The play street provides an opportunity for families in the community to come together in a fun, casual environment to catch up with already established friendships & also meet new families. It is where my daughter met children who she is now good friends with at Magill Kindy.

The play street helped my daughter transition into Magill Kindy

as she had already met some children & staff before formally starting Kindy with them. Kindy provides transition visits but the play street was an added bonus.

The play street assisted in creating friendships for my daughter with similar aged children & for me with other parents. Those friendships have transpired into playground catch ups, sharing Birthday's together, having dinner together & assisting each other when we need help.



Danielle, parent of Henry said

Thank you so much for organising the Play Street Event yesterday afternoon. It's a great concept and

lovely to see the kids running around playing and laughing.

Also a nice chance for the parents to connect socially. Henry had a great time



Charlie's favourite thing...

*The street party was
on the same street that
my friend Everly lives
on.*

*I liked riding my bike
up and down the hill.*

Charlie's Mum Gipsy said

There is a sense of connectedness in the neighbourhood that I never felt before despite living here 10 years.

I went along to the Community BBQ at Nightingale Reserve in the hopes of meeting some locals and build connections. I made friends with a lovely family who lived only 100m away. Our kids are the same age and became instant best buddies. They both started at Magill Kindergarten 6 months later and the fact that they knew each other made a huge impact on the transition. Now we walk home together every Kindy day.

Holding the play street close after was a great idea to continue on the momentum. Being tied with the Magill Kindergarten, it meant we were able to meet the teachers and some of the kids who would be attending. We made another great connection there and the two friends became three (Charlie, Everly and Izzy). The connection between us parents has also grown into a beautiful, supportive friendship with regular playdates between us.

I feel the concentrated energy from the council has helped transform the atmosphere in the areas. Unfortunately through COVID we learnt that people/strangers equals dangers and if we saw someone walking towards us we would be more likely to cross the road then to stop and chat. But that has changed now and people always say hello as we pass and stop to talk. Getting to know some of the long-time residents at these gatherings has also been a great way to form connections and learn about the people around us and the history of the area.



My favourite part is meeting new people.



Jenny & Darcy with
Lauren from Magill Kindy

The events are very welcoming and create a sense of community and belonging.



Jenny's family hosted a street BBQ in December 2022.

Vicki, Magill Kindy said

I have loved the street parties that have been organised by the council, Kindy and community of Magill.

The opportunity to connect with our Kindy families out of the Kindy context has been invaluable in creating stronger relationships with both the families and the individual child.

It has provided us the opportunity to connect with the whole family, siblings, Aunts, Grandparents, friends, the parent who doesn't usually do Kindy pick up.



Sarah, Magill Kindy Director said

The Street Play events have been a great way for the Magill Kindergarten to connect not only with current families and educators but future families. It has been a great opportunity for us to invite families that have children who are due to start in the next intake.

It gives these families the chance to meet other families that are currently attending Magill Kindergarten, but also other new families, building that sense of community right from the start.



Abbey, Magill Campus and Community Children's Centre

*Parents enjoyed socialising
with other parents that
they know through the
centre but say little more
than hi each day*



Magill Campus
Community
Children's Centre
LEARNING TOGETHER, EVERY DAY

From little things, connections grow

Bec said

We have also had play dates and local playground catch ups with families that we met at the play street.

Jenny said

I plan to organise another Street BBQ later this year. Our family always looks forward to Play Street events.

Gipsy said

We often walk to kindy together or walk home. I had no idea that such a great friendship (for both me and Charlie) was waiting just a few houses away.

Vicki said

Back in the Kindy environment it is obvious that the relationship between us and the child has strengthened, they are proud of the fact we know and have chatted, played and just connected with their loved ones.

Sarah said

We are looking forward to Play Street events being a regular event as part of our transition process.



Children from left Darcy, Everly, Ali, Charlie, Izzy
Adults from left Vicki, Jenny, Lauren, Kate, Sarah,
Bec, Gipsy and Bec



