

# Newsletter

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## Northern Star Supports Pty Ltd

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### A Great Start to the New Year

#### Exciting Updates for the Year Ahead!

We're off to a fantastic start in 2025, and we are thrilled to share some exciting news with you. Our team is growing, and we are expanding our programs to better support the families in our community. Thank you for being part of our journey—we can't wait for what's ahead!

#### Meet Our New Team Members

We're excited to introduce two wonderful additions to the Northern Star Support team:



##### Emma – Occupational Therapist (OT)

Emma joins our team with a wealth of knowledge and experience. She holds additional studies in Developmental Neuroscience and Neurology from the University College of London, bringing a deep understanding of child development and therapy techniques. Her expertise, passion, and dedication to supporting individuals make her a fantastic addition to our team. We are so pleased to have her on board!



##### Deanne – Child Development & Learning Teacher

Deanne is an experienced educator with training in Auslan, making her an incredible asset for supporting children and families in the early development space, including transition to school. She will also be leading Northern Star Supports' first-ever playgroup, which is set to start in Term 2 on Wednesdays. We are excited to have her supporting children in their early years of learning and development.

We're thrilled to have Emma and Deanne on board and know they'll be a great fit with our team.



# What's New at Northern Star Support?



## Playgroups Are Coming to Kurri Kurri!

We're delighted to announce that Northern Star Supports will be launching a playgroup in Term 2 at our Kurri Kurri office. This playgroup will offer children and families a welcoming space to engage in early learning, play-based development, and social connections. Stay tuned for more details, including dates and how to join!

## Hanen Program – Coming in Term 2!

Preparations are underway for the It Takes Two to Talk Hanen Program, which will run in Term 2. This program is designed to support parents in helping their child develop communication skills, particularly for children with language delays. More details will be shared soon—watch this space!

## Continuing Our Partnership with Place of Friends – Woodberry

Our partnership with Place of Friends in Woodberry continues to grow! Hannah and Janet have been actively supporting their community playgroups, and we are pleased to announce that Emma will now be joining in as well. It is wonderful to provide a supportive space where families can access therapy as needed, and we look forward to continuing this important collaboration.

## NSS Growth & Gratitude

Our focus for 2025 is well underway, and we are incredibly grateful for our expanding team. At Northern Star Supports, we take pride in having such dedicated, passionate, and highly skilled professionals who truly care about the work they do. This year, we remain committed to:

Expanding our services to better support families

Providing staff training to enhance expertise

Strengthening our partnerships within the community

Keeping families informed through our website and social media

We look forward to an amazing year ahead and can't wait to share more updates soon.

***Thank you for being part of our community!***

Warm regards,

***The Northern Star Supports Team***