

Children's Recipe for a Good Life

Information for teachers

Children's Recipe for a Good Life is an interactive webpage created by Council inviting primary school kids to tell us their ideas and opinions about the 'ingredients' needed for children to be happy, healthy and safe. Until 8 September, kids can visit shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Kids and complete the online activities.

Why has Council created 'Children's Recipe for a Good Life?'

As part of Council's municipal planning role, we are writing a new Child Youth and Family Plan (2021 -2031). This plan will provide guidance on how Council works in partnership with our community now and in the future to deliver programs, services and facilities that support and enhance the wellbeing of children, youth and families.

Children have the right to have a say about matters that affect them, and the Children's Recipe for a Good Life seeks to engage them in the discussion about this plan. The information that children provide will guide further consultation with our community and the actions and priorities outlined in our new plan.

Children's Recipe for a Good Life activities

When children visit our webpage there are three activities on offer. Children can complete as little or as much as they like. Teachers can view and direct children to all or one activity using the links below.

Activity	Description	Link
Children's Recipe for a Good Life - Introduction	Here we introduce children to the project. There is a short video that explains what to do and gives further information about Council's Child Youth and Family Plan.	shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Kids
Activity One – Our shopping list	In activity one children write their 'ingredient' ideas in the text box. After they press submit, their ideas and comments appear in a post-it note on the page that can be viewed by others and liked.	shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Kids/our- shopping-list
Activity Two – Our recipe	Here we have listed eight (8) ingredients we know are important to children's wellbeing. We've asked children to tick the ingredients if they agree they're important. If children wish to, there is a questionnaire about the ingredients that can be completed. The last question on the questionnaire asks children to describe a 'special ingredient'.	shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Kids/activity- two
Activity Three – Our recipe	In activity three we ask children to make a picture of what a good life for children looks like, take a photo and upload it to the page. After it is submitted it appears on the page for others to view.	shaping.banyule.vic.gov.au/Kids/activity- three

Children's privacy and personal information

We collect the child's first name and age for the purposes of publishing comments and artwork. If the children go online the comments and artwork are published on the page for other children to read and like. Comments can be posted anonymously. These are moderated regularly. Artwork will be displayed on the site and in an online art exhibition during Children's Week (24 October - 1 November). The artwork or comments may be used throughout the final Child Youth and Family Plan (2021-2031) document. Council will also keep any artwork for use down the track in other marketing or communication publications. For example, the pictures used throughout the Children's Recipe for a Good Life project are from a previous project. More information about Banyule City Council's Privacy Policy is available on our website.