



# Kinship Carer

Support Groups 2024



“To care for the carer is to care  
**for the child.**”

# Support Groups

A kinship carer is someone caring for a child that is not their own on a full-time basis. They could be a relative or someone from the child's family or community network.

OzChild Kinship Care specialises in supporting these families and assists households in these areas:

- Frankston City Council
- Bayside City Council
- Kingston City Council
- Mornington Peninsula Shire
- Port Phillip Council
- Glen Eira Council
- Stonnington Council

Meetings are held in a safe and supportive environment. Group members can expect:

- Confidentiality
- Mutual respect
- Information and resources
- An opportunity to learn new skills
- Peer support
- Non-judgmental sharing



**“The Kinship Support Group opened my eyes - I was not alone in caring for my grandchild. I felt happier knowing I could call on the other group members.”**

# Group Dates

Come and meet with other kinship carers, and share the highs and lows of being a kinship carer.

Location	Time	Dates	
<b>HIGHETT</b> 2 Livingston Street, Highett	Fridays 10am-12pm	Feb 16 Mar 15 April 19 May 17 June 14 July 19	Aug 16 Oct 18 Nov 15
<b>FRANKSTON</b> Frankston Orwil St Community House 16 Orwil St, Frankston	Thursdays 10am-12pm	Feb 22 Mar 21 April 18 May 23 June 20 July 25	Aug 22 Oct 24 Nov 21
<b>ROSEBUD</b> Blue Mini Cafe 2 Colchester Road, Capel Sound	Wednesdays 10am-12pm	Feb 14 Mar 13 Apr 17 May 15 June 12 July 17	Aug 14 Oct 16 Nov 13

“ We can cry, stress or wonder what the next part of our progress is, and the group just knows what we mean. When we share sorrow, it’s not depression — it’s just an ongoing battle to work at being good carers.”

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“I have made a lot of new friends. Without the support of the group, I wouldn’t be the person I am today.”

# We are OzChild

We work hard every day to provide a better future for those in our care with the belief that every child and young person deserves the chance to shine.

We are focused on providing support for children and young people in foster or kinship care and keeping families together where possible through the delivery of evidence-based programs and services aimed at strengthening and repairing relationships.

“It is no longer **good enough** for a child to only get what is available. We strive to give a child what is needed and what the evidence says **works.**”

Dr Lisa J. Griffiths  
**Chief Executive Officer**

## Contact us Today

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