

Auburn & Berala Uniting Church Playgroup

Playgroup suburb
Berala & Auburn

Volunteer Name
Emily

Venue type

- Community Centre
- Church
- Park
- School
- Preschool
- Other

How many playgroups do you run each week? Auburn on Tue & Berala on Wed during school terms.

Average attendance

Adults: 8-10 **Children:** 10-12

How many years has your playgroup been operating?

7+ years handed down to other mothers and volunteers over the years as my Mother in law used to take my oldest son when he was a baby.

How many years have you been leading your playgroup?

Sesilia has been a crucial part of the team for 4 years, Emily and Fa have been involved for the last 3 years. We volunteered to take over as other long term leadership volunteers moved on.

How do you advertise your playgroup?

We speak to local mothers at the park or on our excursions and put flyers in front of the church. Many of our parents hear about us from word of mouth.

What makes a good playgroup thrive?

Team work along with great sense of community. Everyone is welcome and we create a safe space for adults and the children.

What creative and fun activities do you do at your playgroup?

We love to cook, enjoy messy play and go on fun excursions every term.

Do you have any templates or resources that you have created?

We use Google Docs to record the attendees information.

Do you do any fundraising for your playgroup?

This year we will introduce a bake sale at the church market day. We also are very blessed that our beautiful parents and church members make donations to help support our playgroup with resources.

Do you have any tips for engaging with volunteers?

All of our volunteers are mothers and church members who helped and engaged with us over the years. We also invite parents to organise and run an activity with our kids if they have any cool ideas or celebrations they want to teach our playgroup about.

Please share with us the impact of playgroups:

Playgroup has helped me on my journey into motherhood, being able to share my experiences and ask for advice from other parents. It also helps the children develop and grow building a sense of community. We have created such a safe and welcoming space for everyone.

Describe your playgroup in 3 words?

Welcoming, fun and family.

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