May 2024

#### Greetings from Mooroolbark Community Garden

#### From the Gardeners Gate:

Welcome back to the garden, where the weather is getting cooler and misty in the mornings and leaving us with beautiful sunny afternoons. The last of the summer crops are out of the garden beds and have been replaced with the winter crops.

We will soon have a lot of activity in the garden with new infrastructure about to happen, disability tables, pathways and veggie beds to name but a few, thanks to our partnership with WCIG, a Work for the Dole initiative. Come on down and see it all happen.

If you have walked past the gardens recently you would have seen the newly constructed Early Learning Centre. The ELC is to teach children under the age of 10 how to garden, raising seeds, planting and harvesting in a way suitable to them in a safe, fenced off area. We will be looking to Kindergartens and child care centres to use it during the week and garden classes on a Saturday morning. If you are interested drop us an email.

We will soon have another poly tunnel to increase production for plant sales for our monthly markets (last Sunday of the month). Don't forget we have garden classes on a Wednesday morning 10-12 and it is free for anyone.

You can always pop down and meet us at the garden, there is someone there 7 days a week 10-12. Come and say hello. See you at the Garden!

Helen

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#### **Important Dates:**

May 26<sup>th</sup> – Next Market from 9am to 2pm

Every Wed and Sat from 10am to 12pm – Free Gardening Classes

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# Volunteering at the Community Garden

Being a volunteer at the garden has given me purpose. A purpose to learn and gain knowledge about all aspects of growing veggies, herbs and flowers.

A purpose to help others, share knowledge, get my hands dirty and all with a smile on my face.

Friendships have been made. There is laughter and chatter not only while having a cuppa with my fellow volunteers but even while we're weeding and planting!

I have been fortunate to watch this community garden grow and help feed the community. It is truly wonderful.

Rhonda

## Fund raising sausage sizzle near the Coles - 27<sup>th</sup> Apr 24



Click below to read about the exciting project we now have with WCIG Lilydale Star article - Project Work for the Dole kick-off

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On market day -28<sup>th</sup> Apr 24



And on any given day....

