



REALISING CHILDREN'S POTENTIAL
THROUGH EDUCATION

BROADENING HORIZONS



SUPPORTING
EVERY CHILD'S
POTENTIAL

OUR PROGRAMS

Our Broadening Horizons programs give students the opportunity to build their confidence, aspirations and openness to new experiences and learning environments.

Through a range of incursions and excursions, students get the chance to learn in new and engaging environments – experiences that those facing disadvantage might not otherwise have access to in their everyday lives.

In addition to building students' enthusiasm and aspirations, these activities enhance what's being earned through the curriculum. They also support positive learning outcomes across the categories of Culture, Social Wellbeing and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

CONTACT

To find out more about our education programs or becoming a partner, email: volunteers@ardoch.org.au or phone 1300 ARDOCH.



BROADENING HORIZONS' STEM PROGRAMS

Our programs offer students opportunities to engage in STEM inquiry through science focused incursions and excursions. Children might have the chance to engage with interactive science and technology exhibitions at Scienceworks, or learn about the wonders of the natural world through both incursions and excursions with Wildlife Xposure.

These experiences are aimed at sparking curiosity, engagement and applied learning. The programs complement Ardoch's Numeracy Buddies and Robotics programs, which share a focus on real life hands-on learning.

CULTURE, SOCIAL AND WELLBEING

Through participation in Broadening Horizons' Culture, Social and Wellbeing programs, students engage with activities that support competencies in wellbeing and physical health, as well as exposing them to greater cross-cultural experiences.

These programs can be delivered both online and in the classroom, through incursions and excursions. They include initiatives like Project Rokit, which fosters respect, empathy, leadership and wellbeing and ALIVE, which covers mental health topics. Cultural experiences include excursions to Arts centres and engagement in Indigenous Australian cultural activities.

These programs provide students with practical tools and help them develop the social skills needed to support positive interactions throughout their school years and beyond. While also learning about Australian identity, Indigenous culture and the Arts.

Program outcomes for students include:

- developing the confidence to undertake new activities
- understanding formal or informal language
- working or playing cooperatively
- being able to persist with things they found difficult
- being able to imagine themselves pursuing a career in a new industry
- asking for help when needed, listening attentively and following instructions



WHY PARTNER WITH US

Ardoch's programs have proved effective in providing children and our education partners with practical and effective support to improve educational outcomes.

- **After six months with Ardoch support, 67% of students showed greater academic improvement than anticipated.**
- **79% of students showed greater confidence in their ability to learn.**

We work to help children and young people create their own vision for what they would like to be in the future, and inspire them to engage in their education. We provide real world experiences and trained volunteers so that children can practice and improve their skills to reach their full potential.