

Positive Living Skills Early Childhood Wellbeing Program

An evidence-based wellbeing platform specifically designed to support educators to deliver the Early Years Learning Framework via a resource pool of activities, stories, songs, relaxation audios and more, offering a positive common language for teaching mental health skills in early childhood settings.

The PLS program aims to improve the social, emotional and communication skills of children while supporting educators and families.

According to latest Australian Early
Development Census (AEDC) data, 22% of
children are developmentally vulnerable on
at least one of the 5 domains (physical, social,
emotional, language and communication).
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The Positive Living Skills Early Childhood Wellbeing Program has been independently reviewed and is listed in the 'Be You Programs Directory. It meets the minimum evidence requirements set by Be You and has been awarded a rating for evidence and implementation.



"Educators described PLS as easy to implement, that it supported the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF), and that children enjoyed the activities and were already understanding PLS concepts and using PLS language. They also described PLS as a good program, not only for the children in their care but also because they experienced flow-on effects into their own personal and professional lives."

- Charles Sturt University

This program is an evidence-based approach to supporting the intentional teaching of mental wellbeing, providing educators with a common positive language for teaching children the fundamental skills of:

- Inclusion
- Kindness
- Empathy
- Respect
- Diversity
- Compassion
- Peer support
- Self-regulation
- Appreciation
- ersity Gratitude
- Confidence
- How to relax
- Acceptance
- Cooperation
- Growth mindset

Meet Possa Bill

Possa Bill is a very important part of the Positive Living Skills initiative acting as another 'educator' in the room. He helps children try new things, learn about persistence and practice and helps them strive for their own personal best. He also has a positive focus on health and nutrition.



Key Features



49 guided playbased digital '15 minute' learning experiences with activities and more



'Story time' library and media library with downloadable posters, audios, and resources



Pre-populated Learning story templates to personalise and share with families



Educator wellbeing online professional development series: Leadership, Focus and Self-care



The evidence-based digital resources and activities are organised under 6 main concepts

Key Word Sign line drawings are also provided via PLS flash cards.

Key Word Sign (KWS) adds signs to spoken words and is a tool or strategy which can be used to support children and adults with communication difficulties to understand and get their message across to others.





Highlights

Any Day highlights
Happy Highlights
Laughing Highlights
Opportunities to appreciate
Remembering Highlights
Sensational Senses
Where are highlights?
Zing Highlights





Feelings

All Types of Feelings
Appreciation
Changing Channels
Empathy
How do you feel?
Kindness
Notice your thoughts
Reeling in good feelings





Focus

Focus in Positive Ways
Focus in the present moment
Focused Communication Focused
Learning
Focused Listening & Seeing Focusing
through distractions Fully Connected
Focus
I can Focus





Relaxation

Counting and breathing
Imagine and relax
Learning how to relax
Quiet your mind
Relax and revitalise
Special place relaxation
Jnderstanding relaxation
Relaxation is important





Cooperation

Followership
Let's Cooperate
Respect
Sharing
Taking Turns
Teamwork
Trust
Working Together





Self-Esteem

Building confidence Feeling Proud Healthy Self-Esteem Physiology of Excellence Self-Reliance Self-Respect Self-Talk We are unique





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Supporting educator wellbeing

Members can access 3 x in depth self-paced professional development sessions aimed to support educator wellbeing (topics include leadership, focus and self-care)



Stress and Selfcare

Educators ability to manage stress and promote self-care is vital. This session supports educators to develop and maintain a self-care plan for their own physical and psychological wellbeing and they learn strategies they can also apply with the children in their care as well as in their own lives.



Leadership Skills

Leadership is a highly sought after and highly valued commodity in our world, and it is a topic we are more captivated with than ever before. People continue to ask themselves and others what makes a good leader, or how can we be more effective leaders, firstly of self, then of others.



Positive Focus Skills

we can all benefit from learning ways to enhance our positive focus skills, Focus plays an integral role in learning, preforming and achieviing fulfilment in daily living. Educators also benefit when finding strategies to implement to enhance the positive focus of children.

Family Newsletters

Family partnerships play a vital role in the Positive Living Skills initiative. Family newsletters with 'at home' PLS tips are included for all topics and educators can use the interactive Learning Story feature to create, personalise, document and share each child's learning and development.

PLS Family Link Hub

The PLS Family Link is a free to join online resource hub, offering a range of wellbeing resources to support all members of the family. Plus you can meet the program mascot for the 3-6 year old children, Possa Bill, and find links to additional mental health resources for all age groups.





The PLS Early Childhood Wellbeing program:



Supports educators to meet the outcomes, practices and principles of the Early Years Learning Framework for Australia (EYLF V2.0), and the Victorian Early Years Development Framework (VEYLDF)



Supports early learning services to meet the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) National Quality Standards and prepare and implement their Quality Improvement Plans



Supports services'
behaviour policies and
family partnerships, and
supports educators to build
their own capacity and
confidence

Early Learning Services who join Positive Living Skills gain digital access to:

- √ 49 digital learning experiences mapped to
 EYLF
- √ Library of audio and flip books
- ✓ Relaxation audios, songs and posters
- ✓ Possa Bill animation stories
- ✓ Pre-filled editable Learning Story templates
- √ Searchable comprehensive resource library
- √ Tips for transitions and school readiness
- √ Activities for 0-3 Years for all concepts
- √ Shareable family newsletters for the 6 concepts
- ✓ Free mental wellbeing resources to share with families via the 'PLS Family Link Online Hub'
- ✓ 3 x Online 'on-demand' educator PD sessions: Focus, Leadership and Self-Care

Each session provides 90 mins of Professional Learning, and includes online workbooks

- ✓ Self-paced straight forward onboarding process
- √ User-friendly and secure online platform



Your service will also receive a PLS Welcome kit in the mail with a plush Possa Bill puppet, PLS concept flash cards, happy highlight clickers, a PLS poster to display in your service, family flyers and more.

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