



Children and Families Worker

Focus Area: Outreach

Strengthen and grow ministry to children and families to become active followers of Jesus with a focus upon outreach into the local community

Overview

At Blacktown East Presbyterian Church, we are a community passionate about knowing and loving God, caring for one another, and making Jesus known.

We have a current ministry to children and families, primarily to church members. We are seeking passionate and relational male or female Children and Families Worker to develop and enhance what we have and be more strategic in reaching out to the local community.

The Position

2.5 or 3 days per week (including Sunday Morning and playtime) - **negotiable**

Initial Key Components

We are keen for a suitable applicant to be able to strategically plan an effective outreach.

We note below the current components in ministry to children and families:

- Playtime
- Outreach afternoon for families with children aged up to high school
- Scripture
- Sunday Morning connecting and strengthening ministry to children
- Be part of the church community

These components are not set in stone. As the role develops, these can be adjusted, changed added to or removed, depending on the giftedness and skills of the applicant along with an assessment on their effectiveness and other potential opportunities.

Roles & Responsibilities

Playtime	• Support current leaders and work to strengthen the leadership. • Develop stronger connections with the wider community. • Develop stronger connections between the playtime and church family.
Afternoon outreach to primary aged children	• Coordinate and lead the afternoon outreach (planned to commence in late 2026). • Manage and grow volunteers.
Teach SRE in local primary schools	• One or two lessons per week. • Developing stronger links between SRE and Church.
Coordinate ministry to children during Sunday Morning service	• Coordinate the Sunday morning ministry children's programme. • Oversee the Sunday School. ◦ Work with the minister to provide: ▪ Curriculum, Teaching Notes, and Activities. • Manage, lead and train volunteer teachers (currently 11 volunteers). • Work with parents to help disciple children.

As the components change and develop the specific roles and responsibilities would develop accordingly.

Experience and Qualifications

Essential:

- Active Faith in Jesus
- Have a current WWCC and be prepared to complete the mandatory training
- Breaking The Silence training of the Presbyterian Church
- Completed SRE teacher training
- Experience in working with children

Desirable:

- Undertaken Biblical studies
- Carried out training to work with children.

Remuneration

The role is offered on a part-time basis for 2.5 or 3 days per week. Days worked to be negotiated but is inclusive of Sunday mornings and playtime morning (currently Thursdays).

Remuneration will be proportionally based on the Presbyterian Church's set packages for a Pastoral Assistant, which will also include a km reimbursement to claim for travel when needed.

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About Us

Blacktown East Presbyterian Church is a community of God's people, passionate about knowing and loving God better, caring for one another and making Jesus known. We have operated in Lalor Park for more than 50 years and meet in our own building.

We have 2 services each week:

Morning 9:30AM | A contemporary service for all ages from 93 to 4 years old. It includes a Sunday School. Regular attendance is around 50 (40 adults and 10 children). Sunday School runs during the AM services in School term. The children stay in the service for the first 20 minutes then head off to Sunday School for the rest of the service (around 40 minutes).

Evening 6PM | Similar to AM but no children's program and it's more interactive. Ages range from mid high school to 70 year olds. Regular attendance is around 20.

Playtime runs on Thursdays (10am-12pm) during school terms in the church building. It features free play, morning tea, craft, music and stories. This is currently being run by 2 church volunteers. (minister and an elders wife) Average attendance 7 adults and 10 children. A few children attend our AM Service.

Afternoon Outreach

The church is in the process of starting an afternoon outreach for families targeting two major groups:

- (a) Those who have attended playtime but now are at school, and
- (b) Those who use the church carpark for school drop off and pick up.

Ministry Team

Our minister is Rev Keith Boulden. He has been at Blacktown East for 17 years and pastoral ministry for 25 years. He leads with 4 elders. We also have a Committee of Management who oversees the finance and property of the church. We have several volunteers in various roles.

APPLICATIONS

If this opportunity interests you, please email your **cover letter** and **resume** to Keith at keithboulden@gmail.com.

Applications close on Monday, 31 August 2026.

For further information or to discuss the role, please contact Keith on 0413 292 271.