

Social Story

Community Clothes Swap at the MARC





Guidelines

Thank you for choosing to use a social story written for the Community Clothes Swap at the City of Mandurah Aquatic and Recreation Centre (MARC). People can read this story to themselves or have someone else go through the story and pictures with them.

A social story is a document that uses storytelling techniques to explain new experiences and environments to people who are autistic or who have sensory sensitivities. Anyone who experiences anxiety, or is nervous when attending a place or event for the first time, may benefit from access to a social story.

For your social story to be successful, we recommend you follow these guidelines.

- Read the social story often and preferably 2 weeks in advance of visit.
- Social story to be read and shared in an environment free of distractions.
- Be calm and comfortable when reading a social story.
- If reading to someone, help the person to understand key points.
- Once the visit has taken place, re-read the social story to celebrate achievements.



On Saturday, 8 September, I will go to the Community Clothes Swap at the Mandurah Aquatic & Recreation Centre (MARC).

If I want to, I will bring up to 20 good-quality clothes that I want to swap.



This is a photo of the MARC.

MARC is the Mandurah Aquatic and Recreation Centre.



I can use the car park at the MARC.

There are parking spaces near the Show Courts, where the event is being held.

After parking, I will walk towards the Events Entry at the Show Courts.



The Community Clothes Swap will be on the Showcourts.



When I arrive at the MARC, I will see signs pointing to the Events Entry.

I will follow these signs to the entrance.

At the entrance, there will be volunteers wearing high-visibility vests.

They will help me check in and take my clothes to be organised on racks.



After checking in, I will join The Style Counsellor's workshop.

She will talk about how to dress confidently and shop sustainably. The workshop will last about 40 minutes to 1 hour.

After the workshop, I can browse the racks to find new clothes to take home.

The Style Counsellor will be there to give me personal styling tips if I want them.



There may be many people at the event, and it might be a little noisy.

This is okay, and it's all part of the fun.

Volunteers will be around to help me if I need anything.



After I finish finding new clothes, I can take them home with me.

I will thank the volunteers for their help and leave the event through the same entrance.

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