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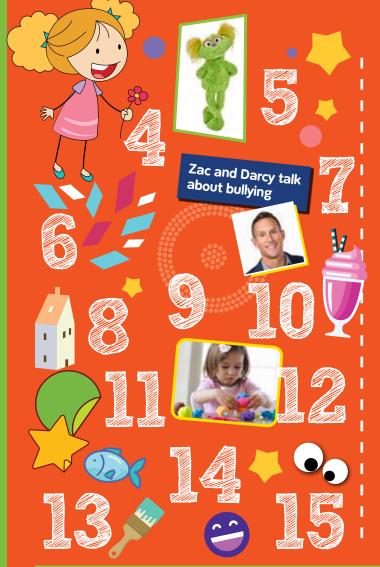
Sometimes our readers write letters and we had one really special letter from a clubCREATE member telling us how hard they found it to make friends and asking us how they can make new ones. So clubCREATE member Ariel wrote a special article on how you can make new friends! Then we looked into bullying, and Young Consultants Darcy and Zac let us know what to do if you're being bullied. In this edition we also meet a special Sesame Street character who has a foster care experience.

We have some cool activities and competitions in this magazine too, like our sticker design competition. We want you to design our new CREATE stickers, so the winner will get their stickers printed and will become a part of CREATE's history. Wow!

We had some amazing connection events last year where we got to meet SO many awesome clubCREATE members! We want to meet even more of you this year, so make sure you check out the back page of your state Round Up for a list of what's coming up near you.

Happy reading,





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The views expressed by these young people are not

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It's really important to us that children and young people in care are safe and protected an we do our utmost to ensure their privacy. For safety reason state laws don't allow the face of kids in care to be published without proper permission,

sometimes we can't show faces in our pictures.

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HOW TO MAKE FRIENDS!





clubCREATE member Ariel tells us how she makes new friends.

Making new friends can be scary. We are lucky here in Australia because we can go to school. At school there are many ways you can make friends. One of the things you can do to make friends is join clubs and teams.

If you love basketball, try and join the team around school. Or, if there is no basketball team, join the people in the playground that play basketball.

If you like reading, go to your school's library.

If soccer is your favourite thing find the people in your school who are playing soccer.

You should get to know lots of kids. Try talking to the people around you in your classroom or people that you have to work with in class. Remember that not everyone will be your friend. If you talk to everyone and try to make friends with people, you will find people that like you.

If you want to find new friends, why not come to a CREATE connection event?

Check out the back page of your State Round Up for events near you!

MEET SESAME STREET'S KARLI!

Karli is six and a half years old.

Her favourite food is pizza.

She's a big fan of the sport MonsterBall.

She's also in foster care.



Karli said she felt like she was the only one going through that and felt alone, but she's not! Did you know there are more than 45,000 kids in care just in Australia! It can be easy to feel like nobody understands what you're going through, especially if you don't know anybody else who's been in care, but you aren't alone. CREATE run events all over Australia where you can meet other kids with a care experience. If you want to come along to one, check out the events listed in your Round Up.



VIJEES

Every two years CREATE holds conferences around Australia where young people, carers and people who work in the care sector can come together and talk about what needs to be done to make the care system a better place for the children and young people in it. Last November we held our biggest conference ever with more than 500 people going! We asked Christina, one of our young person attendees, to tell us her highlights from Voices in Action 2019!



"The CREATE conference was an interactive experience that had activities that both adults and children can participate in. The conference was set in a beautiful location at the Melbourne Zoo so in between the session you could wander around the Zoo as much as you wanted. The Butterfly house was beautiful, and the chimps were being especially naughty.

The speakers in the mornings were an inspiration. All the adolescents who went to the conference got a chance to raise their voice for the first time. Everyone had something to say and for the first time in some people's lives they were listened to. Some of the children at the conference were so glad to finally feel free enough to voice their opinion."

Zac and Darcy talk about bullying

Bullying is a big issue for a lot of young people. 1 in 4 Australian students say they've been bullied, and it's something our clubCREATE members say they've experienced a lot. We asked clubCREATE members Zac and Darcy about bullying.

What is bullying?

- Zac Bullying is when someone puts others down to make themselves feel better.
- Darcy Bullying is making fun of someone in a way that they don't find funny. Its making fun of someone for differences to yourself and making them feel miserable about themselves.

Have you experienced bullying?

- **Zac** Yes I have experienced bullying at school due to me being in care.
- Darcy A little but not so after I moved to Perth

What is the best way to deal with bullying?

- Zac Talk to an adult, parent, carer or someone you can trust about the situation.
- ▶ Darcy I don't think it's a one size fits all, some people will say ignore it, others will say stand up for yourself, and others will say go tell someone with authority. My recommendation would be to focus on yourself and whether your happy with yourself. Easier said than done.

Remember, bullying can be really tough and it's okay to reach out to someone for help if you're being bullied. You can call Kids Helpline on 1800 55 1800 and they'll talk you through what you're going through.

Meeting new siblings

Moving somewhere new can mean a lot of changes, like a new house, school, carers, schedule, friends and even siblings. It can be hard to get to know new siblings, especially if those siblings are biological children of the carers who aren't in foster care. We asked clubCREATE members from a Youth Advisory Group in Tasmania all about moving to a new home with new siblings.

Sometimes it's difficult moving into a new home, let's help biological kids understand how a child might react when they first move in

- "We might stay in our room or not want to come inside because we are scared"
- \rightarrow "We might get angry"

This is what they said:

→ "Just because we react this way, it isn't because of you"

How can biological kids help you feel at home or settle in more easily when you first move in?

- → "Give us space while we get more comfortable"
- "Once we are settled don't treat us any different to your own siblings"
- → "Don't automatically think that because we are kids in care, we are bad"

What types of things can help build a relationship between you and the biological kids?

- → "Have family nights"
- → "Chat with us and get to know us"
- → "Talk about common interests for example – what films or football team you like"

Meeting a new sibling can be tough, but if you talk to them about how you're feeling and what you need, it might make things a lot easier for both of you. And remember, they're might be just as nervous to meet you too!

The Dreaming

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Find-a-word!

"The Dreaming", or "Dreamtime", is part of Aboriginal spirituality.

The Dreaming contains stories of how the world was created and teaches

Aboriginal people how to live and about the world around them. We've put

some well-known Dreaming stories into the find-a-word below.

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Stories to find:

The Rainbow Serpent Tiddalick the Frog Emu and the Jabiru Gulaga The Mimis
Three Brothers

Want to win a prize for your find-a-word? Fill out the find-a-word and send it (or a picture of it), along with your name, age and membership number, by email to create@create.org.au or by post to:

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You can also take a photo of your entry and email it to clubcreate@create.org.au with your name, age and membership number. Entries close Entries close April 24th

MEET OUR BOARD MEMBER ANDY!

Andy is one of CREATE's Board Members who make sure that CREATE is on track to reach its goals. Andy is also a part of our **Fundraising Committee.**



Tell us about yourself!

I grew up in the UK, moving to Sydney in 2008 with my then 3 and 1 year old sons. I now also have a step daughter and a step son, so we have a busy household when they are all with me and my partner! I love living in Sydney and try to make the most of it, being outdoors and enjoying the weather as much as possible. I love sport watching my kids, supporting the Waratahs, the Wallabies (and England!), as well as keeping as fit as I can myself.

What's your favourite dinosaur? The Ankylosaurus



to make them below!





MAKING MILKSHAKES!

Milkshakes are so easy to make. All you do is combine the ingredients in a blender or milkshake maker until thick and smooth!

BANANA MILKSHAKE

2 bananas, cut into pieces 1 cup (250ml) of milk 2 scoops of vanilla ice cream

STRAWBERRY MILKSHAKE

1 cup frozen strawberries 1 cup of milk 2 scoops of vanilla ice cream

OREO **MILKSHAKE**

8 Oreo cookies 1 tbsp chocolate sauce 2 scoops of vanilla ice cream 1 cup of milk



Get your art made into

If you've been a part of CREATE for a while, you probably would have seen our stickers. It's time to make some new CREATE stickers and we thought what would be better than having stickers designed by YOU?!

Your Mission: Draw, paint or design a new image that we'll turn into a clubCREATE sticker! The winning design will not only be turned into a sticker, but you'll win a gift card too!

Your sticker design can be any colour, though we would like some CREATE Purple, and remember to make it FUN!



and Membership Number:

You can also take a picture of your design and send it to clubcreate@create.org.au with your name, age and membership number. Entries close Friday April 24th

PLAYDOUGH RECIPE

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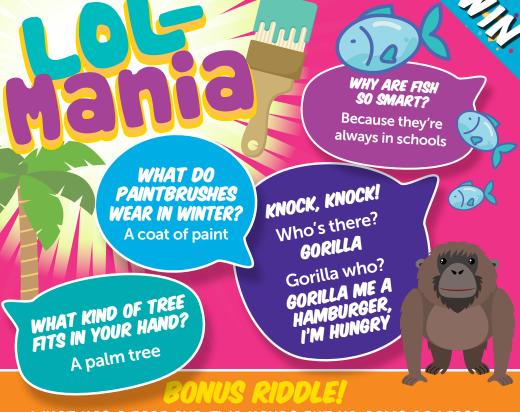
- ½ cup plain flour
- 2 tbsp table salt
- 60ml warm water
- Food colouring
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil





- 1. Mix the flour and salt in a large bowl.
- 2. In a separate bowl mix together the water, the oil and a couple of drops of food colouring (careful, you don't need much colouring!)
- 3. Pour the coloured water into the flour mix them with a spoon
- 4. Put some baking paper or a tablecloth down on a flat surface to protect it and sprinkle some more flour over it
- 5. Knead your playdough on the flat surface for a few minutes until it's smooth
- 6. And you've made playdough! You can do this a few more times with different food colouring if you want a few different coloured playdough balls to play with.

Thanks to BBC Good Food for this fun activity recipe!



WHAT HAS A FACE AND TWO HANDS BUT NO ARMS OR LEGS?

(You can find the answer on the back page of this mag!)

Do you have a funny joke to share with us? Send them to CREATE and you could win a gift card!

To send your joke, fill out your details below and send your entry to:
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You can also scan or type your answers and email them to clubcreate@create.org.au with your name, age and membership number. Entries close Friday April 24th

How do you feel about CREATE and the work we do?

It is super important to CREATE that we hear the views of children and voung people.

We'd love you to complete the short survey below so we can ensure our programs and activities meet your needs. You don't have to include your name unless you would like to enter the draw for a gift card. Your participation is completely voluntary.



Because I am a part of CREATE:

1. I feel more connected to others in the care system



Strongly Agree



Agree



Neither



Disagree



Strongly Disagree

2. I have a better understanding of what it means to be in care



Strongly Agree





Neither



Disagree



Strongly Disagree

3. I feel like I belong



Strongly Agree



Neither

Disagree



Strongly Disagree

4. I know more about the care system



Strongly Agree



Agree



Neither



Disagree



Strongly Disagree

5. I know more about CREATE's activities



Strongly Agree





Neither



Strongly Disagree

6. I feel that my views are respected



Strongly Agree





Neither



Disagree

Disagree



Strongly Disagree

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What else would you like CREATE to do:
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YOU ROCK SPOT!

Edition 4, 2019 COMP WINNERS





Milly Draw Milly Taharnie, 9

Lol-Mania - Kai, 7

How does a Minecrafter exercise?

They run around the block

Solve the riddle!

Q. What has a face and two hands but no arms or legs?

A. A clock!

Musical Maze – Hope, 7 Cultural Colouring -Kobe, 7



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HOW TO STAY CONNECTED

If you want to attend awesome events with CREATE make sure you are a clubCREATE member so you can automatically receive invitations and information.

Other ways to contact CREATE:

- 1. Become a clubCREATE member and join up at www.create.org.au
- 2. Call your local CREATE office on 1800 655 105 and talk to one of the team about what's coming up.
- 3. If you are already a clubCREATE member make sure your clubCREATE membership details are up-to-date.
- 4. Visit www.create.org.au to find out more about how we can support you.