

Making education a reality



Imagine you cannot afford to put a nutritional breakfast and packed lunch in front of your child before they head off to school.

Imagine that you struggle to make sure they have enough warm clothes when the weather starts to change. Let alone money for text books, football boots, swimming lessons.....

Imagine the dread you feel when a school note comes home about an exciting school excursion for your child but it costs money you don't have.

Imagine facing the fear of homelessness or the disruption of temporary housing.

And imagine you are that child.

Imagine your disappointment and your loneliness.

Then.....imagine the difference you can make by helping Ardoch help children, young people and families.

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Ardoch Youth Foundation is a not for profit organisation working to support the education of young people, including those experiencing disadvantage and homelessness since 1988.

When young people experience difficulties like homelessness, poverty, family breakdown, violence, mental illness, learning or language difficulties, it can be difficult to access a relevant education. It can be difficult to learn and it can be difficult to stay at school.

Many early childhood centres, primary and secondary schools lack the resources and experience to respond adequately to young people in such circumstances.

This is where Ardoch's expertise comes in mobilising community resources, volunteers and corporate interactions to provide programs in schools to support young people and their families.

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“Helping under privileged kids get a fair go at a quality education”

“Creating Options & Choices in Life”

“Putting Smiles on Little Faces”



Ardoch does this by:

- **Harnessing community & corporate resources in the form of money, volunteer time, expertise and donated goods.**
- **Working with under resourced schools (secondary, primary and early childhood centres) to create a healthy environment for education.**
- **Supporting disadvantaged kids & families in various ways.**

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Examples of Ardoch School Based Programs:

Breakfast Club

Classroom Volunteers

Homework Help Club

Mentor/Coaching & Tutoring

Literacy & Numeracy Buddies

Personal Development

School Yard Blitz

Basic Needs

School Yard Volunteers

Fundraising

Parent Support & Referral Service

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Examples of How Corporates Can Support Ardoch:

- **Basic Needs Drive**
- **Provide Volunteers for Classroom & School Yard Activities**
- **Provide Literacy & Numeracy Buddies (Pen-Pals)**
- **Internal Fundraising & Raffles**
- **Staff Salary Sacrificing (ie. \$2 a month)**
- **Office Equipment Donation**
- **Sponsor Ardoch Events**
- **Inkind Support (professional services)**
- **Annual Donations**
- **Christmas Cards & Christmas 'Tree of Plenty'**

Indirectly via the Foundation or Directly to a Specific School

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**If you have a personal interest to get involved,
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