



PLAYABILITY GROUP ACTIVITIES

PRICE

PlayAbility group activities are charged at to your child's NDIS plan. This price includes the 1 hour group session, any resources or travel.

Craft group: \$51.80
Little Ninja's: \$64.66

CRAFT GROUP

Where: BEGA

When: Every Monday
Time: 3.45pm—4.45pm
Expression of interest

RSVP to Phil
0438 453 480

LITTLE NINJA'S

Gross motor group

*For children aged 6 years
and under.*

Where: EDEN

When: Every Tuesday

Time: 10am—11am

RVSP to Jamie

0437 125 717

CRAFT GROUP

Where: EDEN

When: Every Wednesday

Time: 3.45pm—4.45pm

Expression of interest

contact Brooke

0428 045 907

GETTING TO KNOW OUR NEW STAFF

Pauline Mendes

How long have been part of the PlayAbility team?

October 2021

What does your job entail?

Providing oversight and support to the Allied health team, Physiotherapists, Allied health Assistants, Speech Pathologists. Working together with the EI and Family Support teams towards effective outcomes for children and families.

What is a typical day like?

Face to face sessions with parents and children, Great chats with team members; lots of incidental learning about Playability and the NDIS with staff in the office. A mix of online and face to face staff meetings, Appreciating and learning about the novel ways colleagues use to keep the children engaged in play.

Favorite memory from work?

Staff growing & nurturing their sunflowers!

What do you like most about your job?

Being privileged to be allowed to be part of other people's lives.

Where are you from?

I was born in Mumbai – city of 14 M people. My family emigrated to Melbourne, Australia in 1971, when I was 11 years old. I have since lived in Melbourne, London and then in the Bega Valley since 1984.

Where did you go to school?

Primary years in Mumbai, Secondary & Tertiary years in Melbourne.

What do you like to do when you aren't working?

Growing vegetables, flowers, ornamental gardening, bushwalking with friends, Playing the ukulele with friends, travelling to faraway lands when I could Entertaining/cooking for friends and family.



Georgie Begg

How long have been part of the Play Ability team? Not long! I

started at the end of 2021.

What does your job entail? As a Speech Pathologist I help children (younger and older) to increase their skills and confidence with communicating and connecting with others. Sometimes this is with making the sounds in words (Speech), other times with thinking skills needed to learn words or put them into phrases (Language) or helping children connect and interact with others with non-verbal communication (social communication) or communication aid (AAC).

What is a typical day like?

Its hard to say. I'm either doing session at the Bega or Eden centres or home visits. I'm also about to start doing sessions at some of the local preschools and schools so each day varies a lot. My main goal each day is to connect with families in one way or another and help provide supports they need.

What's a common question you have to

answer? What do Speech Paths actually do? A lot of people have heard of Speech Pathology, but many are surprised to hear about all the different areas we look at. Speech pathology is a new-ish profession and our role keeps evolving and expanding quickly. Officially we work in the areas of Speech, Language, Stuttering, AAC, Voice and Swallowing. Unofficially behaviour, mental health, relationships, literacy and education are also areas we dabble in – as all these areas require, or are affected by, communication skills.

What do you like most about your job? Helping people to connect – with family, friends, peers, school and the community. Sometimes this involves learning to do new things but it often also involves identifying strengths and problems solving how to get the most value out of the skills a person already has.

Where are you from? Lismore (NSW Far North Coast) originally. As an adult I've also lived in Brisbane, Spain and Melbourne before coming to this area.

