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SPECIAL GANBINA BULLETIN APRIL 2020



ANTHONY CAVANAGH CEO



A little bit of inspiration

Did you know that the word Ganbina means 'to rise up?'

Our logo was designed especially to symbolise the idea of Canbina empowering you to achieve your full potential in life.

The red circle symbolises the rising sun, and represents the dawning of new opportunities. The two hands symbolise our support to help you rise up and achieve great things.

We hope the story behind the Canbina name and logo inspire you to be the very best you can be and fulfil your dreams.

A message from the CEO

First and foremost, I want to assure all our participants and their families that the Canbina team is here to support you, as always, in the coming months as COVID-19 restrictions change the way we all go about our daily lives.

So while we will be doing some things a little differently, you will still be able to have one on one mentoring sessions with your Project Officers; take advantage of many elements of our JOBS4U2 program including the Leadership Program and the Employment Academy; and continue to receive financial support through our Scholarships Programs.

Our goal today is the same as it has always been – to make sure that you can continue to develop the skills, and access the tools you need, to make the most of your education journey, fulfil your full potential, and get the job of your dreams.

What are we doing differently?

In line with government recommendations, the Ganbina team is now working remotely from home.

So until those government recommendations change, you will not be able to pop into the Ganbina office, or have face-to-face meetings with us, or attend workshops or group activities on the premises.

Instead, we will be delivering our support to you in new ways. These include one-on-one meetings, and online Program workshops, via online apps such as Zoom. Plus of course we will be connecting with you via the telephone, email, and Facebook.

We have also developed a whole range of exciting new online activities and materials to make sure you stay supported and connected in the months ahead. There's more news about these on the next page.

So as far as Ganbina is concerned, it's business as usual, just in a different way!

In closing, I would just like to say that the wellbeing of our participants and their families, and our wider community, is our one priority at this time. From all of us at Ganbina, stay safe and please stay connected with us.

Sincerely



YOUR GANBINA TEAM



LARISSA FALLA General Manager



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CECILIA NDALA Employment Program Project Officer



LISA MARSDEN Education Program Project Officer

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Your individual Project Officer or Program Coordinator will be in touch with you soon to set up your usual schedule of one-on-one mentoring appointments; and also to explain how you can access a whole range of new support mechanisms we have put in place for all our programs, including the Leadership Program and the Employment Academy.

We will also be contacting parents of primary school children to offer a range of support services and explain the new Accelerated Learning Program activities.

Some of our new support initiatives include:

SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Covering tips and tricks to develop daily routines, time management, learning goals, goal setting, and studying at home successfully.

VIRTUAL PARTICIPANT LOUNGE

Virtual drop-in sessions where you can talk to the Ganbina team and Ganbina participants in an informal setting.

LEADERSHIP PROGRAM & EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Online delivery of activities and Zoom catch-ups with Program Coordinators and Project Officers.

PRIMARY SCHOOL e-NEWSLETTER

For parents of primary school children with tips on how to manage student learning, health and wellbeing, delivered right to your email inbox. Please update your email address with us to make sure you receive it.

ACCELERATED LEARNING PROGRAM (Years 3-6)

The ALP starts on 20th July, and will run Mon-Thurs for 8 weeks in Terms 3 & 4. Limited spots are available for students wanting additional support in the core subjects of English and Maths.

For more information, or to register for any of our programs, please call Larissa on 03 5821 7333 or larissa@ganbina.com.au



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