CHILDREN'S WEEK 2026
24October— 1 November

CHILDREN'S WEEK 2026 ACTIVITY PACK

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Foreword

Children's Week is a time to celebrate children and young people, recognise their rights and reflect on how we can help them feel safe, valued and heard.

This year's theme reminds us that children have the right to use their own language, celebrate their culture and practise their religion. It's an opportunity to celebrate what makes each child unique and help every child feel a sense of **belonging**.

NAPCAN's Children's Week activity pack offers a range of activities, from colouring-in pages to word searches, to help you celebrate with the children and young people in your life.

Let children's interests guide you as you explore the pack together, making space for them to share their ideas, experiences and what matters to them.

At the back of this booklet, you'll also find a storybook from NAPCAN's Safer Communities for Children program. To find more stories, explore the Safer Communities for Children training at napcan.org.au/programs/safer-communities-national/

Children's Week reminds us of the importance of recognising, respecting and promoting children's rights. But how do we put these rights into practice every day?

NAPCAN's Safer Communities for Children training supports educators, professionals and community members to have meaningful conversations with children about safety, understand their perspectives and respond in ways that help them feel safe, heard and supported.

Thank you for helping make Children's Week a celebration of children, their rights and the communities that support them.

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Children's Rights Activity

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UNCROC Article 30: Children have the right to use their own language, celebrate their culture and practice their religion.

Write or draw about how you celebrate your culture.

Youcandraw a picture,write a poemorstory,make a collage or whatever else you can think of – it's up to you!





You are welcome to share your ideas with us! Take a photo and email us at nt@napcan.org.au.

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ACTIVITY BOOKLET

I'M DEADLY!

To findoutabit aboutthechildand how they

see themselves - theirstrengthsand dreams.

The circle of friends activity helps your child understand the different people in their life – what their relationship is with these people, how your child should behave with them, and what behaviour is OK from those people. It can help keep them safe.



WHAT TO DO?

Explain

- Everyoneisdifferent. These differences make you deadly.
- Talk about some of the things that you have noticed about them already – things that you admire or you've noticed they do
- Let's take a look at some of the things that are important to you

Using the tool

- Workyour way through the **I'm deadly** tool together
- Let the child know they can write words or draw pictures in each circle.
- Let them know if they don't want to fill a space in that's OK – you can leave it blank or come up with ideas together

Be Careful

- Some kids can find it hard to talk about their strengths. Without taking over, gently give them some ideas or remind them about what others have told you - Your mum told me you were deadly at ….You're great at making me laugh…

Finish

- Ask if you can take a copy so you don't forget
- Ask where they will display **I'm deadly** and who they would want to see it.

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*This activity is from **Child's Voice - Our children have the right to be heard**, which was created by the Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA) and includes more activities designed specially for Aboriginal children. VACCA is a state-wide Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) servicing children, young people, families, and community members. **www.vacca.org***

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*The Child's Voice resources are based on the Kids Central Toolkit, which was developed by Institute of Child Protection Studies, Australian Catholic University to help services place children in the centre of their work. Find out more at the Kids Central Website: **www.acu.edu.au/icps/kids-central-toolkit***

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I'm deadly!

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2026 Children's Week Word Search

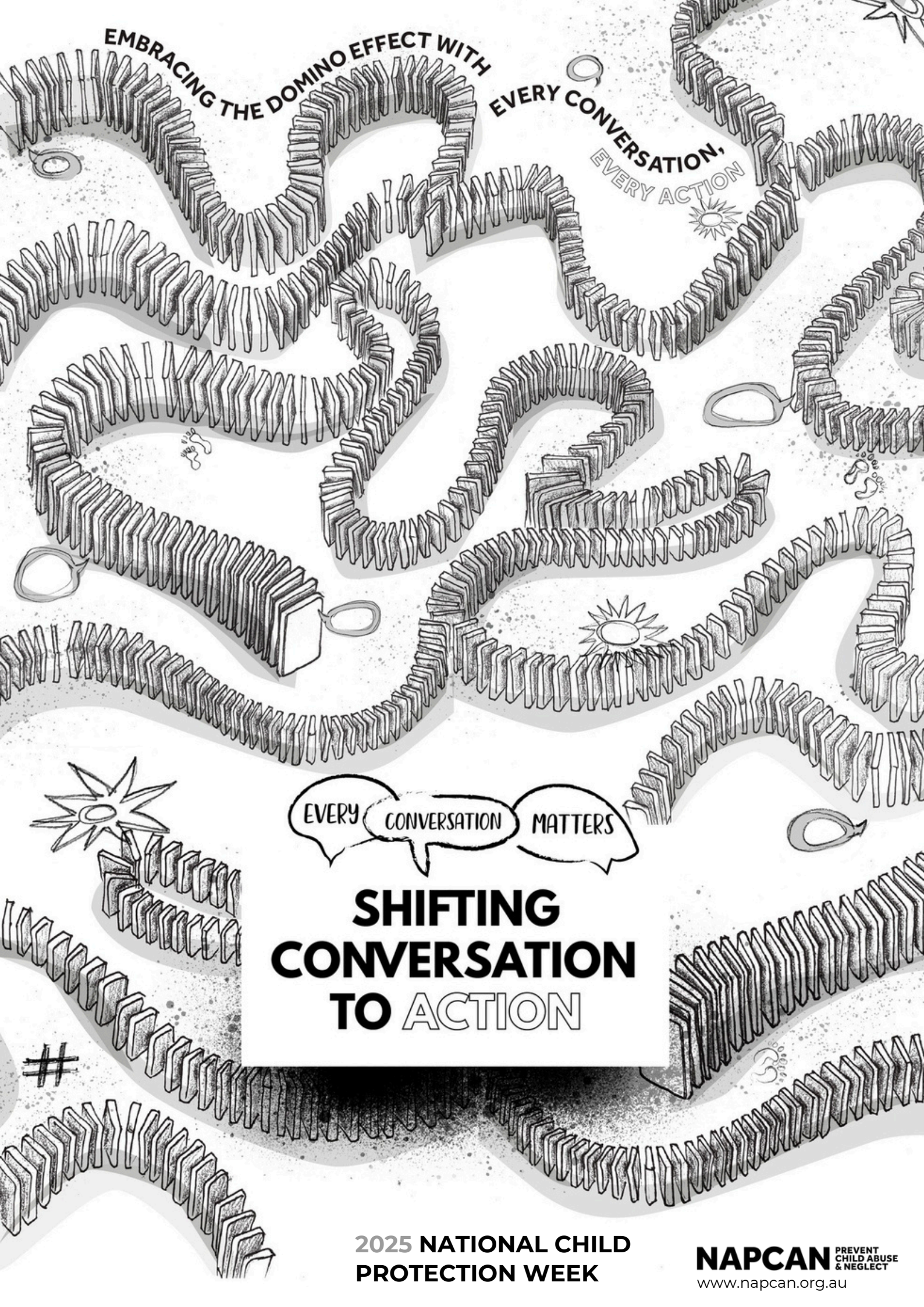


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FRIENDS
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Read a story, start a conversation.

Download Story 2 from NAPCAN's Safer Communities for Children program to explore safety and wellbeing with the children in your life, making space to listen to their ideas, feelings and experiences.

To find more stories and resources, visit
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Download: Frankie Learns to Tune In

Happy Children's Week!

Thank you for celebrating children and young people. We hope this activity pack sparks creativity, starts conversations and creates opportunities to connect with the children and young people in your life.

Let's keep listening to children, valuing their ideas and celebrating who they are, not just during Children's Week, but every day.

Together, we can help create communities where every child feels safe, supported and a sense of belonging.

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For more resources and ways to get involved, visit:
napcan.org.au/childrensweek