

# THE SPEECH BUBBLE

The Speak, Learn and Grow Newsletter

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We have had a busy time over the first half of this year at Speak Learn & Grow, with onboarding new staff, team building days and completing lots of professional development. Nicole has recently completed a course on the Lidcombe Program for Early Intervention of Stuttering and Kerry completed a PROMPT techniques refresher course.

We are looking forward to running some therapy intensives in the school holidays. You can read more about this on page 4.

Winter has hit us with its chilly blast and it has been a tough season for flu & colds. We remind you to review our cancellation policy for any sessions that you need to cancel or reschedule.

# MEET OUR NEW TEAM MEMBERS



## Juliana

Juliana is a Speech Pathologist with a passion for delivering holistic, family-centred practice. She pursued a Master of Speech Pathology at the University of Sydney to work collaboratively with children and their families to empower them and increase their overall quality of life.

In her spare time, Juliana enjoys reading books, Pilates, long walks on the beach, and spending time with family and friends.

Juliana sees clients Monday to Thursday.

## Chanelle

Chanelle is currently in her third year of Speech Pathology at ACU and is part of our wonderful team of Therapy Assistants. She has always loved helping others and was inspired by the way speech pathologists engaged with children and adults to communicate and reach their full potential. Chanelle's passion is working with children with disabilities and helping them feel comfortable to communicate.

In her spare time, Chanelle loves reading, going to the gym and spending time with family and friends.



# TEAM BUILDING DAY!

This term's team building day was full of laughs and fun. Our team at Speak, Learn and Grow is committed to building strong personal connections and a fun working environment. Our team bonding day at Gunnamatta Bay was an opportunity to reflect on our values as a practice, build friendships and work on our teamwork and communication skills. See for yourself below!

## OUR DAY AT GUNNAMATTA BAY

Building our team and communication skills



*"Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved!"*

Mattie Stepanek



# SCHOOL HOLIDAY INTENSIVES

The school holidays are a great time to focus on and target your child's individualised needs in a tailored one-to-one program or group program. Let's work together to boost your child's confidence and skills these school holidays.

## Reading Intensives

This program is tailored to your child's current knowledge and abilities, so that they can become confident readers:

- phonic knowledge using the MultiLit Program,
- word-attack skills,
- using these skills in context - reading passages & writing sentences



## School Readiness

This program is for children starting school in 2023. It is tailored to your child's current knowledge and abilities including:

- developing phonological awareness skills (building blocks for reading & spelling)
- teaching letter - sound matching
- building blending and segmenting skills
- strengthening expressive language skills

## Therapy Intensives

Individualised therapy to focus on any area that your child's therapist is currently working on including:

- correct speech sound production
- sharing experiences & talking about events
- following instructions & understanding concepts
- writing skills - spelling, sentence & paragraph structure



# WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SPEECH & LANGUAGE?



## Speech

refers to HOW we produce sounds and words with our tongue, lips, teeth, jaw and vocal folds. We use these articulators to change the airflow from our lungs, making different sounds

## Language

refers to the system of words and symbols (spoken, written, signed) to communicate meaning. This encompasses receptive language (understanding) and expressive language (expressing)

## Speech

When we assess speech we look at:

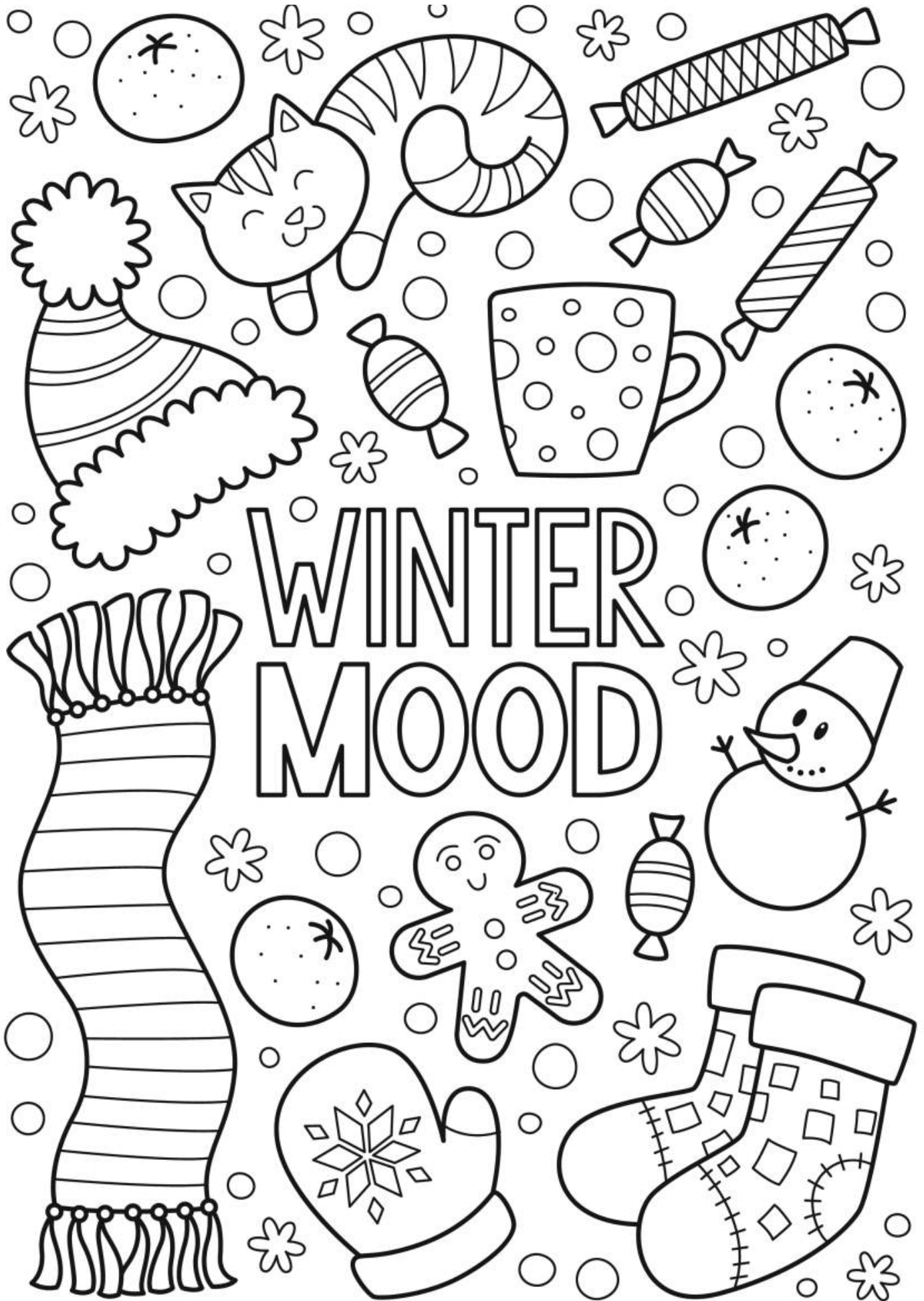
- articulation (pronunciation)
- voice
- fluency (stuttering)

## Language

When we assess language we look at:

- vocabulary
- sentence structure / grammar
- understanding language concepts
- following instructions

# COLOURING IN FUN



# CONNECT WITH US

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'Feedback Dropbox'  
at Reception

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directly

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