

EARLY CHILDHOOD PACK

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1. INTRODUCTION

Farms are a unique environment as they are often both a workplace and a home.

The farm environment provides many positive experiences and opportunities for children. However, they also contain many dangers and potential injury hazards including hazards, including machinery, vehicles (e.g. tractors and motorbikes), animals, water hazards (e.g. dams, rivers, creeks and animal drinking troughs) and poisons (e.g. pesticides).

In 2020/21, 441 Victorian children aged 0-14 years were treated in hospital as a result of an injury sustained on a farm. Alarming, this is a 12% increase on the previous year and the largest number since 2018/19.

Farm safety is an important issue not only for children and families who live on a farm, but also for those who visit farms. Kidsafe Victoria is running the 'Farm Safety Creative Competition' for Victorian preschoolers and primary school students to raise awareness of farm safety among children and their families. This project is supported by the Victorian Government through the **Smarter, Safer Farms Program**.

About Kidsafe Victoria

Kidsafe, the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Australia, was established in 1979. Kidsafe is an independent, non-profit, charitable foundation dedicated to the prevention of unintentional death, injury and associated disability to children. For more information on Kidsafe Victoria, please visit www.kidsafevic.com.au



2. THE COMPETITION

The Farm Safety Creative Competition is designed to provide an interactive way for children to learn about potential injury hazards that exist in farm environments and strategies that can be put in place to help keep the whole family safe. Not only will the competition help children to learn about the importance of keeping safe on the farm and get creative, there are also fantastic prizes available for winning entries!

The competition invites all Victorian children aged 3 to 5 years to enter a creative submission in the 'Early Childhood Category'. The category encourages preschoolers to gather their craft materials and create a poster or collage based on this year's theme, **'Farm Safety Heroes'**.



The theme centres around how we can all play a part in making the farm a safe experience for everyone, whether we live, work on, or are visiting a farm. We're encouraging everyone to be a real life 'Farm Safety Hero' and ensure we all work together to keep our current and future generations safe.

Competition entry is free and children can enter as a class, in pairs/teams, or individually. Entries can be completed through early childhood centres and submitted by educators, or completed at home and submitted by parents/carers.

The winning entries from the competition will be utilised to form the basis of a month-long farm safety education campaign through Kidsafe Victoria's social media accounts and website, targeting Victorian parents and carers with important information on farm safety.



3. PRIZES AND JUDGING

There are fantastic toy packs available for three lucky winners. Posters and collages will be judged in the same age and entry category. Entries will be judged on creativity, message clarity, originality and effort.

1st	\$150 toy pack
2nd	\$100 toy pack
3rd	\$50 toy pack



4. HOW TO ENTER

- 1 Discuss potential safety hazards in a farm environment and why it is important to stay safe on farms with your child/ren. Check out our farm safety resources linked in this pack to help you get started
- 2 Choose your farm safety focus topic (e.g. water safety, poisons safety, supervision).
- 3 Create a poster or collage based on the chosen farm theme, using the provided template linked below and including the slogan, "I stay safe on the farm by ____"
- 4 [Download an entry form here.](#) One form is required to be completed for each individual entry.
- 5 Email your entry form and entries to info@kidsafevic.com.au by Friday 4th November 2022.

If you have any questions about the competition, please contact us via info@kidsafevic.com.au

5. KEY DATES

ENTRIES OPEN: Monday 7th March 2022 **ENTRIES CLOSE:** Friday 4th November 2022
WINNERS ANNOUNCED: Week commencing Monday 21st November 2022

6. TEMPLATES

Collage/poster
template – landscape

Collage/poster
template – portrait

Collage cut-out
template

7. TIPS FOR CREATING ENTRIES

Remember to include and complete the slogan “**I stay safe on the farm by ____**” in your poster or collage entry! Download and print off the ready-made template in the links above which already includes the slogan for children to complete.



How to Create a Poster

A poster is a visual way to show information – it often contains an image, a tagline and a short safety message. Your poster could be created using a photo, illustration, painting or digital image (e.g. clipart). If you are using photos or clip art images, make sure you have permission to do so (make sure you do not have to purchase the rights or credit the original author of the images).

Try and make your poster colourful and eye catching so that it grabs people’s attention and makes them want to read your message!





How to Create a Collage

A collage is an activity that involves cutting and pasting different craft materials onto a sheet of paper. With the assistance of an adult, children can also add to these by writing farm safety tips or messages beside their creations.

Preparation

Make sure you are prepared with all the right items to get started. These include:

- An A3 or A4 sheet of paper
- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- A range of collage materials (e.g. pictures cut out from magazines or newspapers, scraps of paper, fabric or ribbon, pipe cleaners, pencils to colour in/write/draw and ice-cream sticks)



Ensure that you have a sturdy piece of paper for the base of the collage. Thicker paper is less likely to fall apart once you start gluing your materials on.

Gather all your materials and plan your final design. Do this by laying out the different materials on your paper without gluing them on. This will allow you to see if everything fits on the paper and if anything else needs to be added. Use different colours, shapes and textures to make your collage stand out!

To help you get started on your collage, download our cut-out sheet. This includes farm images that you can print, cut out and colour to use for your collage.



8. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Please use the following format to name the file:
CreativeCompetition_Name/Group_EarlyChildhoodCategory

- The poster or collage can be presented on either an A4 or A3 sheet of paper.
- Scan the poster or collage entries to send via email. A high-quality photograph will also be accepted if scanning is not possible.
- The poster can be hand-drawn, contain photos or be created digitally (e.g. using clip art images). If you are using photos or clip art images, make sure you have permission to do so (i.e. make sure you do not have to purchase the rights or credit the original author of the images).

9. LEARNING RESOURCES

Please find links below to additional learning resources, activity sheets and stories to help get children thinking about farm safety.

- [Kidsafe Farm Safety Heroes colouring in sheet](#)
- [Kidsafe's Colour by number activity sheet](#)
- [Kidsafe's Identifying animals on the farm activity sheet](#)
- [Agrikids – Stay Safe on the Farm with Jessy story](#)

Illustrated short story following Jessy the dog and her puppies outlining the dangers on the farm

- **Kids Alive – Boo's Adventure at the Farm**
[Video story](#), [digital story](#) and [song](#) featuring Lifesaver Lil and Wise Owl who teach their friend Boo about water safety at the farm.

10. RESOURCES FOR PARENTS, CARERS & EDUCATORS

Farm Safety Checklist

A Parent's Guide to
Kidsafe Farms

11. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The promoter of this competition is Kidsafe Vic Inc. (ABN 31 923 927 415).

2. Information on the prizes and how to enter form part of these terms and conditions.

3. Entry into the competition shall be deemed acceptance of these conditions of entry. Kidsafe Victoria may at its discretion refuse to award the prize to any entrant who fails to comply with these conditions of entry.

4. Entry is open to all Victorian preschoolers aged 3-5 years. Entries will be accepted from early childhood centres submitted by educators or parents/guardians.

5. The competition commences 9.00am AEST on 07/03/2022 and closes at 11.59pm AEST on 04/11/2022. Competition entries received out of this period will not be accepted for judging.

6. To enter, the childhood centre/parent/guardian contact must email the entries in their appropriate format along with a completed entry form to info@kidsafevic.com.au as per instructions provided.

7. All competition entries received will be judged by an independent expert judging panel, based on the creativity and safety messages depicted.

8. Posters and collages will be judged in the same age and entry category.

9. The judging panel's decision will be final and no communication will be entered into.

10. Winners will be contacted between 21/11/22 - 25/11/22 through the contact details provided in the entrant's competition entry form. Winning entries and winner details will also be posted on the Kidsafe Victoria website and other relevant platforms.

11. Prizes will be distributed to the early childhood centre or parent/guardian contact noted in the entry form via post and/or email.

12. Any prizes unclaimed by 02/12/2022 will go back into the prize pool and new winners will be selected from all entries received. No compensation will be provided to an early childhood centre or individual entrant that wins but does not claim their prize by the above date.

13. Prize value is correct at time of printing. Kidsafe Victoria accepts no responsibility for any variation in the value or type of any prizes. Prizes cannot not be redeemed for anything other than the prize awarded.

14. Kidsafe Victoria reserves the right, at any time, to verify the validity of entries and entrants (including an entrant's identity, age, early childhood centre and place of residence) and to disqualify any entrant who submits an entry that is not in accordance with these terms and conditions or who tampers with the entry process. Failure by Kidsafe Victoria to enforce any of its rights at any stage does not constitute a waiver of those rights.

15. Kidsafe Victoria shall not be liable for any claims, losses, damages, injury costs and expenses suffered sustained or incurred as a result of, arising out of or in any way connected with the promotion and/or its prizes, except for liability that cannot be excluded by law.

16. Kidsafe Victoria collects personal information in order to conduct the competition, for this purpose, disclose such information to third parties, including, but not limited to, agents, contractors, service providers and, as required, to Victorian regulatory authorities. Validity of an entry is conditional on providing this information. Kidsafe Victoria may, for an indefinite period, unless otherwise advised, use the information and entries for promotional, marketing, publicity, research and profiling purposes, including sending electronic messages or telephoning the entrant.

17. Kidsafe Victoria, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to cancel, suspend, terminate or modify the competition. Any cancellation or modification to the competition will be communicated via the Kidsafe Victoria website.

18. All entries become the property of Kidsafe Victoria and may be used across Kidsafe Victoria and project sponsor networks and channels. Entrants have the right of access to and right to request correction of their personal information.





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