



Ballarat's Magical Christmas Emporium Social Story



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This book has been created to use as a learning tool and will help individuals understand what to expect when exploring Ballarat's Magical Christmas Emporium.

This book aims to provide information about:

1. Ballarat's Magical Christmas Emporium and activities
2. Some sounds and sights people may experience
3. Things people can do to feel comfortable and safe
4. Where to get help



I am going to explore Ballarat's Magical Christmas Emporium. I can take someone special with me.

I will find the Emporium at the corner of Albert Street and Sturt Street, next to Parent Place in Ballarat Central.

The Emporium is set up now until 24 December 2024.

I can visit the Emporium at a time that suits me while it is set up.



There is a Christmas display that I can look at and listen to.

I can push the coloured buttons on the Christmas trees to make them play sounds and light up.

I can move around the space at my own pace.

There might be others exploring the Emporium at the same time as me. I might need to wait my turn to do the activity.

Waiting my turn is the right thing to do.

CHRISTMAS IN BALLARAT COLOURING COMPETITION



Return to Ballarat's Magical Christmas Emporium on Albert Street to enter the draw for a weekly prize*

Full Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

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There is a colouring competition I can enter if I want to.

I will need to put my name and contact details on the drawing to enter the competition.

I can choose to colour in the drawing and not enter the competition if I want to.

From the City of Ballarat we wish you a very Merry Christmas!

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I can find the colouring competition in the red mailbox at the Emporium.

I can also find a copy of it on the Christmas in Ballarat Website.

I will need to colour the drawing at home and post it in the red mailbox at the Emporium to enter the competition.



There won't be anyone leading the activity. I can explore it my own way. My support person can help me if I need.

I can also ask for help at Parent Place if I need.

Parent place is the building next to the Emporium on Sturt Street.

Parent Place is open Monday to Friday, 9:30am – 2:30pm.



I might see bright and flashing lights. There might be a lot of people at the Emporium at the same time as me.

I might hear people talking, music playing and traffic sounds. I might think the Christmas trees are noisy.

I can wear ear protection if I want to.

I can find a quiet space away from the Emporium with my support person if I need to.



The Emporium is not undercover.

I might need to wear a hat and sunscreen if it is hot.

I might need warm clothes if it is cold.



There are public toilets at the back of the Parent Place building if I need.

There are female, male, unisex and wheelchair accessible toilets and a Parent Room.



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