



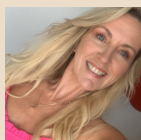
WELCOME

TO RISE UP EDUCATION

Tutoring for 4-18 yr old children -
DELIVERED BY QUALIFIED &
EXPERIENCED PRIMARY & EARLY
CHILDHOOD TEACHERS AND/OR
SOUNDS WRITE PRACTITIONERS



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The story behind RISE UP EDUCATION



WELCOME TO RISE UP EDUCATION

Welcome to Rise Up Education! My name is Kathy Norton and I am the founding director of Rise Up Education, established in 2021 in Ballarat, Victoria.

As a primary school teacher, I have worked with and met thousands of children over the years.

At the start of the lockdowns in 2020, I was working in a school as a Literacy Support Teacher, tutoring students in reading and maths. I was working with small groups or 1:1 with these students, supporting them to achieve their literacy and numeracy goals.

Long story short, after many lockdowns and seeing the impact these had, not only on children's academic growth, but on their social skills and confidence, I decided to start my own tutoring business to support

those students who felt as though they simply could not return to school, for one reason or another.

During the lockdowns, I also returned to study, completing my Sounds Write Practitioners Course.

In a way, the name of my business reflects the feelings and vision I had (and still have) for the children who had been so negatively impacted by those lockdowns. I wanted to provide a service where they could start to feel confident again, confident in their ability to learn and to be successful and social children again.

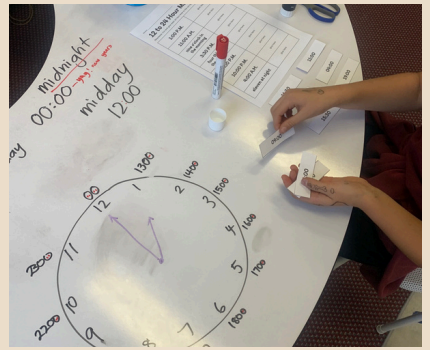
OUR VISION

**TO INSPIRE THE LOVE FOR LEARNING IN EVERY
CHILD**

OUR MISSION

- **To develop confident and successful learners with a focus on explicit teaching, mutual respect and trust**
- **To use evidence based practices to deliver high quality teaching sessions**
- **To recognise each individual child as a learner and provide opportunities for them to thrive**





WHAT WE OFFER

At Rise Up Education, we realise that every child is an individual, with their own learning styles, their own experiences they bring with them and their own feelings about learning and how they view themselves as a learner. Taking this into consideration, we plan individual programs for each student.

BUT HOW WILL I KNOW, AS A PARENT, IF THEY NEED 1:1 OR A SMALL GROUP SESSIONS?

This decision is entirely up to you as you know your child best. Of course, you can always speak to us if you are unsure and we can give you some guidance of what we think would work.

HOW DOES A SESSION WORK?

If you are looking for reading support for your child, the first thing we will do is book a time for a Diagnostic Assessment to be completed to determine where they are at. This assessment identifies phonemic and phonological knowledge and gives us a starting point. You are most welcome to stay during this assessment, which takes about 45 minutes to complete.

If it is Maths support you are looking for, simply book a time to speak with Kathy, either by phone on 0418 942 009 or in person, and we can discuss your child's needs.

WELCOME TO RISE UP EDUCATION

Our educators are up to date with the latest evidence based practises to support learning. In our reading intervention sessions, we use the synthetic, phonics based program called Sounds-Write, which is based on a speech to print approach, teaching children how to blend, segment and read words, as well as teaching how the English alphabet code knowledge works. It is taught explicitly and is a multi-sensory approach (say the sounds, hear the sounds, learn the spellings of those sounds and write the spellings of sounds), working from simple to more complex over time.

*Maths sessions focus on using hands on materials to consolidate concepts being taught, ensuring the important foundational skills are embedded. All sessions are aligned with the Victorian Curriculum. We have recently partnered with **Learnability Education Consultants**, specialists in curriculum-aligned diagnostic assessments, who can provide in-depth, curriculum-aligned diagnostic assessments for numeracy, producing actionable goals for the next six months.*

What we offer at
**RISE UP
 EDUCATION**



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meet our teachers & tutors

WELCOME TO RISE UP EDUCATION

Qualified



KATHY NORTON

★Owner/Founder★

Bachelor of Education ~
Primary & Early Childhood
Diploma in Children's Services
★Sounds Write Practitioner★

Kathy works with small groups and 1:1, teaching Maths and Sounds Write sessions to students from Prep to Year 8.

She has over 30 years experience working with children and has taught all primary year levels during her career.

Kathy completed her Sounds -Write training in 2020 and is passionate about teaching children to read using methods based on evidence and research.



CALVIN TROMP

★Teacher/Tutor★

★Sounds Write Practitioner★

Calvin has been teaching since the year 2000 after graduating with honours from the University of Melbourne. He has taught across all primary grades and subjects, teaching children in Melbourne, Ballarat and rural schools.

Calvin has a passion to ensure that children get a solid understanding of the skills and knowledge needed to go on to further education, especially in reading and mathematics.

Calvin trained in Sounds-Write in 2020 and is an advocate for the explicit and systematic teaching of the forty-four sounds of the English language and the many ways these sounds are spelled (around 175 ways!).

Experienced



AMBER MCINTYRE

★Teacher/Tutor★

★Maths Specialist - Secondary & Primary★

Amber is an experienced P-12 teacher and is available for 1:1 or small group sessions. She is a qualified Mathematics teacher (P-12) as well as Generalist Teacher (P-9) and particularly loves algebra! She can also support students

in other Key Learning Areas, such as Humanities, English and Science and has availability for primary and secondary homework groups, secondary exam prep and can provide guidance and support for students transitioning from primary to secondary education.

Dedicated

Meet our teachers & tutors

Qualified



LIZ

★Teacher/Tutor★

Bachelor of Education - Primary
Sounds Write Practitioner

★Passionate Educator★
30+ Years Experience

★Literacy & Numeracy Specialist★

Dedicated teacher with over three decades of experience across diverse classroom settings and Grade Levels. Skilled in delivering targeted intervention programs, including Sounds Write in Literacy and EMU (Extending Mathematical Understanding) in Numeracy—supporting students in whole-class, small-group, and one-on-one settings. Liz has held leadership positions as a Literacy Leader, Curriculum Coordinator, and Wellbeing Leader.

She is committed to student growth, educational equity, fostering lifelong learning and believes that every child can reach their potential given enough time and support.



ELIZABETH

★Tutor★

Sounds Write Practitioner

★ From a homeschooling mum to a Sounds-Write Practitioner ★

For the past four years I have gained hands on experience as a passionate homeschooling mum. Personally, our family has been transformed by the power of the Sounds-Write program. We have seen our daughter go from not being able to read and only guessing words through pictures, to her being able to blend sounds, segment and decode words! Our daughter Sophia can not only read now, but she also reads well and enjoys reading! I believe reading is a God given right for all our children and that learning to read and write with confidence and joy entails true freedom for them and us!

I want to journey with you and your child and help them to grow in this area. I know that your child can be successful in our caring and nurturing environment and find success as well, just as Sophia has!



SARAH

★Teacher/Tutor★

Bachelor of Education - Primary
Sounds Write Practitioner

Sarah is an experienced teacher who works full time in a Year 1:2 classroom at Bannockburn. She is a passionate and driven teacher dedicated to supporting the whole child — emotionally, intellectually, socially, and physically. Sarah believes every student can learn and strives to create a positive, engaging, and challenging learning environment where all students experience success. Committed to ongoing professional growth, she embraces new technologies and fosters confidence and enthusiasm in her students. Sarah is available for online session for reading and maths.

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Enrolment Information

Once you have made a decision to go ahead with tutoring, you will be asked to register your family details via the Tutorbird student portal registration tab on our website. Upon enrolment you will be asked to pay a \$100 booking fee, which will be credited to your Term fees. Bookings cannot be held without this fee paid in advance. As you can appreciate, there is a high demand for after school times.

You will receive a welcome email confirming your child's registration and a separate email with instructions on how to sign up for the student portal. The email you provide on the registration form is the email we will use to invoice you the fees for the term. Invoices can be viewed through the Student Portal and payments can also be made to your account when you are logged in to the portal. The Tutorbird Student Portal is your go-to place where you can view your child's lesson schedule, download files that the teachers have provided, view past attendance and more! There are no extra fees for access to this portal.


If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to contact Kathy on 0418 942 009 or email kathy@riseupeducation.com.au




Price List 2025- Primary aged students

45 minute 1:1 sessions \$127

30 minute 1:1 sessions \$85.80


Sounds Write Diagnostic phonics assessment (includes one page report of results) \$160


 Primary aged semi-private sessions

45 mins


\$86.50

Small group sessions capped at 3 students

Price List 2025 - Secondary students

60 minute sessions offered for secondary students

1:1 \$130


 Literacy/Maths group \$90

Homework group session \$65
 (students bring what they are working on at school)

Exam preparation \$65

Group sessions capped at 6 students

★ These prices are inclusive of GST ★

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Can I do a casual visit?

We believe it is very important to have a consistent, regular learning routine and for this reason, we don't offer casual sessions. Bookings are for the full term and run in line with the Victorian school holidays. Please see T&Cs for more information.



What if my child has to skip a session?

It is important that your child has regular, ongoing sessions to consolidate their skills and knowledge. Please refer to T&Cs for more information on cancellations.



Are online sessions available?

We offer online sessions for both primary and secondary students. If this is your preferred option, please let us know when enquiring.

How many children are in a group session?

The maximum number of children in a **primary aged** group session is capped at 3. In this small group session, each child is ensured individual, tailored instruction while still benefiting from working with peers.

Secondary student groups are capped at 6.



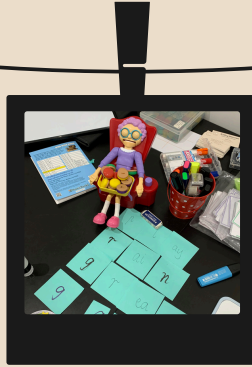
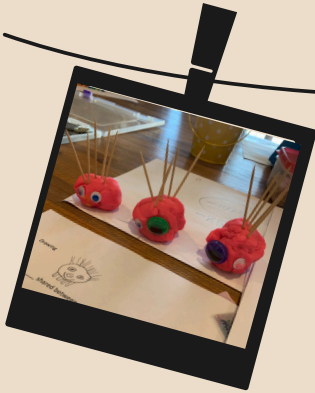
What is offered for secondary students?

We offer group or 1:1 sessions for secondary students with a registered secondary teacher.

Options include

- Maths tutoring
- Literacy tutoring
- Homework group
- Exam preparation
- Humanities & Science study support also available

If you would like more detailed information on these groups, please call Kathy on 0418 942 009.



★★★★★ 7 months ago

Rise Up Education, led by Kathy, has been a game-changer for our family. For 18 months, Kathy has tutored our 7-year-old son, significantly boosting his confidence, reading skills, and comprehension. The results were so impressive that we've enrolled our daughters in preparation for primary school. Kathy's expertise and dedication have made a real difference in our children's education. Highly recommended for parents looking to give their kids a strong academic foundation.

★★★★★ a year ago

Kathy, thank you so much for your dedication and flexibility with my 7 year old son Jack 🙌 You were such an important person in his life when he was not able to attend school due to severe anxiety for 6 months or more. Jack tells me that he felt heard and seen and that he really enjoyed sessions with you.

Kathy helped us through a difficult and challenging time with a kind and open heart. Jack's confidence has increased and he is able to participate at school once again.

I highly recommend Kathy from Rise Up Education for your child and their tutoring needs!



Also [redacted] read her first sentence from your reader yesterday without guessing she said! And no help from me other than pointing to the words! She was super excited because she got all the words correct and did a little squeal and happy dance. Daddy was very proud too. :) Progress!

Have a lovely weekend

★★★★★ 7 months ago

Kathy is absolutely fantastic - and the skills and confidence our child gained are amazing. She is friendly, compassionate, effective and understanding. We only wish we'd met her sooner. Would absolutely recommend.



"Kathy has been outstanding for my sons. With her help, one is quickly catching up to his classmates, and the other is now getting the challenge he needed to excel. The school system wasn't sufficient for either of them and Kathy has been there to ensure their success."

Paula



"We are extremely happy with Kathy and her Sounds-Write tutoring. Our daughter was left behind in regards to reading and writing due to the lockdowns of 2020-2022 and fell down in general by the systems implemented for reading and writing within the general framework of the public school system.

I am thrilled to say after only a couple of months of one half hour session per week with our daughter, that our daughter is reading now!!! And she is very happy about it!! And we are greatly relieved!!! Our daughter has grown in confidence too!! So good!!!

Kathy is kind and caring and fun!! We just love her!! We are honestly so happy to have found her.

We highly recommend Kathy and her tutoring and teaching services. One can rest assured their investment through Rise Up Education is well worth every dollar.

Kathy has excellent morals, is firmly grounded with her extensive teaching background and she is passionate about the kids and their learning. She really is armed with what we see as cutting edge tools to help accelerate your child's learning in no time."

Liz, mum of Sophia



I look forward to welcoming you to Rise Up Education and working together to help your child become a successful and confident learner.

Kathy
Director/Owner

Kathy Norton

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