

Seniornet Services Expand

Seniornet classes are now being offered in Darfield, offering low cost classes for older people to learn computing skills and go online.

The classes provide an introduction to computing and how to use email, ipads, the internet, Microsoft Word and other core skills. The four week course costs \$10, and runs on Tuesdays at 10am-12pm and 1-3pm from 22 October at the Darfield Library. Selwyn District Council supports the classes by providing computer equipment and a venue.

"Many services are now available online from banking, to shopping, and accessing government services," says Selwyn District Council Community Development Advisor Lisa Larkin.

"It is often more convenient for older people to use these services at home through the internet or email than to leave the house, especially if they have mobility issues or don't have access to transport. Seniornet teaches people how to use email, the internet and other computing skills in a friendly and supportive environment and they can then apply their skills at home."

Lisa says that many people who enrol in the classes also want to learn how to use facebook, email and ipads so they can keep in touch with family and friends.

Seniornet classes are also offered at Lincoln, with term four classes starting on Tuesday 22 October.

Classes will also be offered in November at both Darfield and Lincoln on how to create Christmas cards and 2014 calendars.

From next year Seniornet classes will be offered at Rolleston, Leeston, Lincoln and Darfield.

To register for classes at Darfield or Lincoln and find out more contact Lisa Larkin on 021 023 391 89 or email lisael@vodafone.co.nz.

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