Sunshine is open, ready to safely welcome customers

As vaccination rates soar in the west, Sunshine is back in business. *Star Weekly* profiles three businesses ready to welcome clients.

Sunshine Newsagency

Supplying lottery tickets, stationary, toys, gift cards and more products and services, Sunshine Newsagency is a trusted local business that has been serving the community with pride and compassion. Inspired by a friend that ran their own small business, owner Luan Nguyen started the business with the promise of treating every customer equally and providing the best possible service and products.

Manager Thuy Le is proud to work at the Sunshine Newsagency, and emphasises the business's focus on customer service with a smile.

"We do our very best to make customers feel happy and pleased with the service and products we provide," Thuy says.

The team at Sunshine Newsagency are close-knit and work together towards a common goal for the business and each individual staff member.

"Our team is such an important part of our business and has made us what we are today," Thuy says.

With the aim of maintaining its position as one of the most long standing stores in the Sunshine Shopping Centre, the team at Sunshine Newsagency is grateful to customers who have supported the business over the years.

"The perks of being able to talk to customers and help them is an immeasurable joy," Thuy says.

Sunshine Newsagency is located at Shop 3, 282a Hampshire Road, Sunshine. For more information, phone (03) 9364 9151 or email administration@koalale.com.au.

Main: Sunshine Newsagency owners Thuy Le and Luan Nguyen with son Dylan. **Above:** Kolliou Fishing and Locksmith owners Chris and Sue. **Right:** Owner Jessica Pham and her 11-year-old son Geoffrey can't wait to see the smiling faces of Sunshine residents. (Pictures: Damjan Janevski 253752

Kolliou Fishing and Locksmiths

Having operated as a family owned and operated business in Sunshine for 43 years, Kolliou Fishing and Locksmiths is proud to service the local community.

Offering key cutting and re-keying, design and installation of locks, deadlock and window lock installation, locks and accessories, supply and installation of keypads and safes in the home and workplace, emergency mobile locksmith services and fishing products and equipment, Kolliou Fishing and Locksmiths is a multifaceted local business that provides the best quality products and services in the region. Owners Sue and Chris Kolliou are proud to have been providing locksmith products and services to the region, as well as a wide range of fishing gear.

"We endeavour to serve our customers with personalised service and the wide range of knowledge we have regarding our products," Sue says.

"Customer service is very important to us - I look forward to meeting customers and helping them with any queries they may have."

As the warmer months approach and holidays are again on the table, visit Kolliou Fishing and Locksmiths for your fishing and tackle needs this summer.

Kolliou Fishing and Locksmiths is located at 265 Hampshire Road, Sunshine. For more information, phone (03) 9311 1078 or visit www.kollioulocksmiths.com.au. For emergency and after hours locksmith services anywhere within a 50km radius of Sunshine, phone 0477 738 798.

BoBa Tea

Family-owned and operated BoBa Tea provides residents of Sunshine and surrounding areas with delicious, fresh Vietnamese coffee, bubble tea, iced drinks and sugarcane juice, all made while you wait.

Director Jessica Pham is proud of her Vietnamese heritage, and love that the Brimbank area is home to other residents of the same heritage, or people who love the culture and cuisine.

"I wanted to bring Vietnamese street food and drinks to Sunshine," Jessica says. "Now that COVID restrictions are easing, why not come and see us? Sit down and enjoy the comforting environment and Vietnamese drinks."

Jessica and her family at BoBa Tea are grateful for the support they have received from the community over the past 18 months, and she looks forward to being able to reconnect with old and new customers alike.

BoBa Tea is located at 233 Hampshire Road, Sunshine. For more information, phone (03) 9077 1441.

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