

## THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF CARE



### MYTHS ABOUT SELF-CARE

-  Self-care is an indulgence
-  Meaningful self-care includes making mindful changes in patterns of thoughts and behaviours that do not contribute to your wellbeing.
-  Self-care is selfish
-  When you make time for yourself and get sufficient rest & exercise, you feel more energetic and will be able to do more - for yourself as well as for those around you.
-  Self-care is a one-time experience
-  Looking after yourself is an ongoing practice in building resilience to face hardships and in preventing burnout.
-  Self-care is time consuming
-  Self-care does not require you to take out a huge chunk of time from your busy day.

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I hope this email finds you taking whatever steps you need to look after your mental health and well-being.

### Types of Self-Care

<b>Physical</b>  Sleep Stretching Walking Exercise Nutrition Yoga	<b>Emotional</b>  Stress Management Coping Skills Compassion Therapy Journaling	<b>Social</b>  Boundaries Support System Positive Social Media Communication Friends	<b>Spiritual</b>  Time Alone Meditation Prayer Nature Sacred Space
<b>Personal</b>  Hobbies Creativity Goals Identity Authenticity	<b>Space</b>  Safety Healthy Environment Stability Clean Space	<b>Financial</b>  Saving Budgeting Money Management Paying Bills Boundaries	<b>Work</b>  Time Management Work Boundaries Breaks

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And on that note, with the start back, I am sharing again about the importance of "self-care".

SELF-CARE: HOW TO LOVE YOURSELF

## THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF CARE

In the midst of our busy lives, it's easy to overlook our own needs and put the well-being of others before our own. However, practicing self-care and showing love to ourselves is not only essential, but it is also a powerful act of nurturing our physical, emotional, and mental well-being.

In a world that often emphasises productivity and external achievements, taking time for self-care can feel like a luxury or even selfish.

But it's important to remember that self-care is far from selfish. It is a vital practice that enables us to replenish our energy, maintain balance, and ultimately show up as the best version of ourselves. When we prioritise self-care, we are acknowledging our own worth and intrinsic value. We recognise that we deserve to be cared for, just as much as anyone else.

A few starters can be:

- \* Use daily Affirmations: affirmations work to help boost your self esteem
- \* stop negative thinking: adding fuel to the fire of negative thought patterns can leave you feeling down
- \* Build your strengths and focus on your successes
- \* Smile 😊: smiling releases endorphins so it literally will make you feel much better.
- \* Ask for help when you need to: ask others for support to help lighten the load so you can manage
- \* Safe space: take the time you need by putting in boundaries to rest, recharge, do the things you enjoy to help improve your mental health and well-being.

By making ourselves a priority, we signal to the world that our well-being matters and that we are worthy of love and kindness.

For further interest there's a TED Talks video: "Why Self Care isn't Selfish" <https://lnkd.in/dqaaakH>

So look after you because the most important relationship you will ever have, is the one with yourself!

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