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FROM JULY TO SEPTEMBER









SPREAD CHRISTMAS CHEER

You can help to make Christmas brighter for families experiencing financial hardship and donate to the Mayor's Charity Christmas Appeal.

Get in the giving spirit and bring an unwrapped gift or non-perishable food item to one of our libraries or Council building foyer before 18 December 2020.

Look out for Santa collecting donations as he makes his way through our city at Rocking Around Campbelltown on 5 December 2020.

Details on our website.



ELEVATING CUSTOMER SERVICE

You can now track the progress of your request from start to finish as part of an innovative new customer service system we're rolling out.

It allows you to keep track of each stage of your online requests and includes services such as graffiti removal, replacement of missing and damaged signs, street sweeping, pothole repairs, abandoned vehicles, illegal parking and overgrown properties.

The new system is being progressively rolled until March 2021. We encourage everyone to completed a short survey to tell us what you think and help us continually improve the system.

Details on our website.

CONTACT YOUR COUNCILLORS

We encourage community participation and consultation. Contact your Councillors by mobile or write to them at council@campbelltown.nsw.gov.au or by mail to PO Box 57, Campbelltown NSW 2560.



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KOSHIGAYA PARK YARNING CIRCLE

The Aboriginal Yarning Circle in the public domain of Campbelltown at Koshigaya Park will be open from Wednesday 16 December.

A Yarning Circle is an Aboriginal cultural space where you can sit with others and share stories, learn as a collective group, build respectful relationships and preserve and pass on cultural knowledge.

The design reflects significant feedback received from our community, including our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

This project was jointly funded under the State Government's Stronger Communities Fund.



ROCKING AROUND CAMPBELLTOWN

Santa will be bringing the festive cheer to your front yard Saturday 5 December as he leads the Rocking Around Campbelltown convoy across the city.

The convoy includes a group of local carollers who will be singing all your favourite tunes as well as a bunch of special guests, including Batman and his Batmobile.

The convoy will start at 2pm and stop at a number of locations around Campbelltown so people can come out and enjoy a few songs.

Find out the route and where Santa and his convoy will be stopping on our website.

TIME CAPSULE PRESERVES OUR HISTORY

We are burying the Campbelltown 2020 Time Capsule in a special ceremony to mark the completion of the Campbelltown 2020 program at Glenalvon House.

The time capsule contains a range of items donated by us and the community to capture our place in Campbelltown's history.

Thank you to all the community groups who have contributed and to the residents who submitted their ideas for items to be included in the time capsule.

You can still enjoy our Campbelltown 2020 content, including a series of local history videos and all the images from our 200 Years Together social media campaign.

Details on our website.

IT'S TIME TO BE PART OF HISTORY

This year has been tough on all of us. Our region's culture is rich and diverse and the world game arrives in Campbelltown this December. With your support we will showcase what Campbelltown has to offer, on the national stage in the A-League.

Already as a club, we have engaged over 1500 local school children, promoting healthy and active lifestyles through football with our Macarthur Square Bulls in Schools program.

Now as we prepare for the Bulls to charge into Campbelltown Stadium, join our journey as we enter the A-League.

A message from Ante Milicic, Head Coach Macarthur FC.

NO TO DV

If you are experiencing any form of domestic violence, there is 24/7 help.

Women can call 1800 656 463 OR 1800 RESPECT (737 732). Men can call 1300 789 978.

www.dvhelp.org.au





KOALATOWN ROOM OPENS

Get down to the Campbelltown Visitor Information Centre and find out all about our local koalas at the new Koalatown room.

The room is packed with information about the history of local koalas collected from Aboriginal and European historical sources as well as education material on threats to koalas like driving carefully at night and walking your dog on a leash in bushland reserves.

You can also go on a 'pick your koala' adventure by getting information on the best places to find koala habitat and tips for increasing your chances to see a koala in the wild.

While you're there, pick up a koala-themed souvenir. All profits go to supporting Campbelltown's dedicated wildlife carers.

THE EAGLE HAS LANDED

Visit our new playground at Eagle Farm Reserve, Eagle Vale this summer and enjoy a picnic with the family next to the Eagle Vale duck pond.

Features of the playground include a combination play unit, climbing net, accessible swing, combination swing set, accessible carousel and trampoline. There's also plenty of shade and grassed picnic areas available as well as accessible toilets. Details on our website.

GET SOCIAL

Try a new aged care service to connect with social groups and get assistance.

A six month trial service has commenced between Macarthur Disability Services (MDS) and South West Community Transport to help local residents connect with my Aged Care, providing assistance in finding services and social groups.

Get help in navigating aged care. Book an appointment call 0434 830 562 or email MAChelp@swct.com.au.

MAKE IT MINECRAFT WE HEA

Ready, set... play! Fisher's Kids continues online. Inviting kids, carers, noobs and leets to explore a virtual Campbelltown Arts Centre in a Minecraft world like you've never seen or heard before.

Loaded with hidden games, noisy surprises and mischievous music created by composer/sound artist Elizabeth Jigalin.

Check it out until 31 January 2021. Details on our website.

NOMINATE A MATE

Nominate a mate now in our Australia Day awards. We have so many worthy recipients who have achieved something outstanding this year or gone above and beyond to lend a helping hand.

tracks and trails providing greater accessibility and protecting our environment.

We also had over 330 responses to our Campbelltown Cares senior's survey. Helping us find out how we can continue to support those who need it most during COVID-19 with our Campbelltown

Details on our website.

O-DAY SUMMER

HOLIDAYS ACTIVITIES

Creative toddlers, kids and their families are invited to Campbelltown Arts Centre on Saturday 16 January 2020, 11am to 2pm for 0-DAY.

Inspired by the Space YZ exhibition and orientation day at university, experience three hours of wonder-filled experimentation of music, art and technology.

Details c-a-c.com.au





SPACE YZ

Get ready for Campbelltown Arts Centre's opening exhibition for 2021. Space YZ is curated by Daniel Mudie Cunningham and draws inspiration from the visual arts legacy of Western Sydney University.

Featuring early works created by 88 visual arts and electronic arts alumni during their undergraduate studies or within two years of graduation.

Check it out from 16 January to 14 March.



RABY ROAD WORKS START

You may have noticed works have now started on a major upgrade to Raby Road.

The Federal Government's Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan is funding the \$7 million project to upgrade the intersections of Spitfire Drive and Eagle Vale Drive on Raby Road.

The upgrade includes:

- replacement of the Eagle Vale Drive/Raby Road roundabout with traffic lights.
- new traffic lights at the intersection of Raby Road and Spitfire Drive.
- construction of a new shared pathway for pedestrians and cyclists.
- new slip lanes for Eagle Vale Drive to Raby Road (north) and Raby Rd to Eagle Vale Drive (west).
- extending the retaining wall along Raby Road.
- new artwork, landscaping and tree planting on the corner of Eagle Vale Drive and Raby Road.

The upgrades are scheduled for completion in late 2021.

Details at overtoyou.campbelltown.nsw.gov.au

HAVE A SWIM SAFE SUMMER

Be swim safe this summer, make sure your pool fence is safe:

- an internal pool fence must be a minimum of 1.2 metres in height.
- boundary fences must be 1.8 metres high on the pool side of the fence.
- make sure the gate opens away from the pool and self-closes.
- make sure there are no climbable items outside the pool area.
- portable and inflatable swimming pools deeper than 30cm need a fence and require our approval.

THREE STEPS TO SUCCESS

Children at our Education and Care Service facilities will be sustainable superheroes as part of our new education framework.

Our Three Steps to Success Sustainability Framework gives our educators the tools to introduce children to sustainability concepts through a range of educational materials and fun activities.

Some of the sustainability issues that will be taught include water quality and conservation, biodiversity, waste, sustainable food and smarter shopping.

Details on our website.



FISHER'S GHOST ART AWARD

EXHIBITION

Now in its 58th year, the Fisher's Ghost Art Award is Campbelltown Arts Centre's annual art prize featuring works from all the finalists and coincides with Campbelltown's annual Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

In the past, the Open Award has been awarded to some of Australia's most respected contemporary artists including Elisabeth Cummings, Khaled Sabsabi, Justene Williams, David Bromley, Marion Borgelt, Raquel Ormella, Philip Wolfhagen, Tina Havelock Stevens and most recently Kuba Dorabialski.

All the works featured in the exhibition are available to purchase. Open Friday 11 December. You can visit virtually on our website.

ARTIST EXCHANGE

Artist Exchange at Campbelltown Arts Centre is now open.

Come visit the new bigger, bolder shop with an expansive new product range including a bespoke offering of Macarthur made ceramics, jewellery, woven pieces and unique gifting for any occasion.

Open daily 10am to 4pm.

Details on our website.



WASTE WISE CHRISTMAS

Let's cut down our waste over the holiday season. Check out our tips to keep it waste wise.

- Plan your meals. There's no need to over-shop and over-prepare.
- Wrapping paper can go in your yellow lid recycling bin but foil looking wrap and cellophane can't.
- Polystyrene can't go in your yellow lid recycling bin, but you can bring it to our Free Recyclables Drop Off Day events. Check out our website for the February date.

If you have extra cardboard and cartons, flatten them down to fit more in your bin, or keep them ready for our next Free Recyclables Drop Off Day event in February 2021.

LONGER DAYS

EXTENDED HOURS

Beat the heat and take advantage of the extended summer hours at our leisure facilities.

To maintain safety for all and to keep with capacity limits, all visits require a booking.

Bookings timeslots will be open 24 hours prior and can be made on our website.

FEE FREE FITNESS

Shape it up for free with our \$0 joining fee at all four of our leisure centres.

Get a kick start on those 2021 fitness goals and check out our membership options.

Details on website.



DISABLE STEREOTYPES

Celebrate International Day of People with Disability with us on 3 December 2020.

Let's come together and highlight the achievements and contributions of 4.4 million Australians with disability.

Share a message of inclusion and diversity through your online and social media channels.

Together we can #disablestereotypes.



SAVE WATER THIS SUMMER

Make simple changes to save water and help our environment this summer. The average household water consumption increases dramatically as the days get longer and warmer.

Here are three handy tips to save water this summer:

- 1. Water at the right time watering is best done early in the morning and on less windy days, as more of the water can soak into the soil before it evaporates.
- 2. Check for leaks regularly check your taps, hoses and sprinklers for leaks. Many of these fixes are cheap and easy DIY jobs and can save you money.
- 3. Collect and re-use water collect rain and shower water with buckets and use them to water your plants and garden.

JUST LIKE RIDING A BIKE

Whip out the helmets and get the kids on their bikes this summer at our Bicycle Education Centre. Kick off 2021 without the training wheels and sign up for our Learn to Ride program in January.

Over four days, children aged four to 10 years will learn the importance of helmet safety, road rules and how to ride around on two wheels.

Sign up today.

Details on our website.



KAYAK, BUSHWALK

AND BIRDWATCH

Pack a picnic and take your family and friends to Simmos Beach Reserve.

We have completed the second stage of work on our Simmos Beach NSW Environmental Trust grant project.

Planting 3,800 plants to replace weeds with native trees and shrubs and restore the creek banks.

Experience all that the Georges River has to offer with our recently upgraded tracks, trails, BBQ picnic areas and children's playground.

Details on our website.



THREATENED SPECIES STORYBOOK

Download our threatened species storybook and learn about the natural environment and wildlife in the Macarthur region.

The book is made up of stories and artwork developed by our young locals as part of the 2020 Threatened Species Art and Writing Competition.

Through highlighting the threats that our plants and animals face, we can learn to protect our local biodiversity.

Details on our website.



BUSH EXPLORERS PROGRAM

Bird walks, bug hunts and bush tucker workshops, join us for our Bush Explorers program.

Visiting places such as Simmos Beach and Noorumba Reserve, summer is the perfect excuse to come along, get outside and explore our big backyard.

Bush Explorers is starting February 2021. Details on our website.



COOL DOWN WILDLIFE

Make your house a cool place for wildlife this summer with these quick tips:

- Provide shallow water around the perimeter of your house, in shady locations.
- Have a few sticks or stones in bowls or containers so if small creatures fall in they can climb out.
- Refresh water frequently throughout the day.
- Remember not to feed the wildlife unless you have advice from a carer or veterinarian.

If you do see any wildlife struggling, call your local WIRES for help on 1300 094 737 or Sydney Wildlife on 9413 4300.



LEARN THE BIRD ONLINE

Take our training course and learn how to trap and humanely dispose of Indian Myna birds online.

Sign up for our new online program and help us reduce the effects of the Indian Myna birds in our local environment.

Details on our website.



BRIGHT FUTURES

Every child deserves a great start in life. Give your little one the chance to thrive and enrol them now with our education and care services.

Our centres foster a lifelong love of learning in an inclusive and nurturing environment. Let's give our next generation the best start for a bright future.

www.campbelltown.nsw.gov.au/childcare 4645 4443



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AMBER COTTAGE EARLY LEARNING CENTRE 55 CRISPSPARKLE DR, AMBARVALE

EAGLES NEST EARLY LEARNING CENTRE 17 ESCHOL PARK DR, ESCHOL PARK

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