

Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library Booklet

Get to know your local community hub in Wentworth Point!



Hello!

"Welcome to the Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library (WPCCL) booklet. My name is Scout and in this book I will introduce you to this fun-filled community hub, teach you a bit about the local history, and meet some new friends along the way!"



Situated at the heart of Wentworth Point, a bustling suburb along the Parramatta River and next to Homebush Bay, Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library is a new two-storey building that provides a range of services for the community. It includes a state-of-the-art library, study areas, dance and music rooms, meeting spaces, and even a book vending machine. WPCCL is a fantastic place where people can meet, learn and grow together in a safe environment.

The City of Parramatta respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land and waters of Parramatta, the Dharug Peoples.

Nunanglanungdyu Baramada gulbanga mawa naa Baramadagal Dharug ngurrawa badura Baramada, Dharug yura.





"Oh wow look at all the cool stuff inside!"
"There's a library, a dance studio,
creative spaces, function rooms,
a co-working space and lots more."
"I can't wait to visit!"





Wentworth Point is full of fun things to do and see!

Wentworth Point and the surrounding suburbs are part of the traditional lands of the Wann clan, known as the Wann-gal. These lands stretch along the southern shore of the Parramatta River, between Cockle Bay (Cadi-gal land) and Rose Hill (Burrumatta-gal land).

The Wann-gal have lived in the Homebush Bay area for thousands of years. The estuary of Homebush Bay provided the Wann-gal with food and resources that they needed, as well as a way to travel by water. The Wann-gal clan is said to be part of the Dharug language group.

In more recent times the site has been home to large-scale government-operated abattoirs and brick quarries, a military armory, and a number of different industrial factories. Many of these sites are now long gone, but remnants of them can still be found around

the suburbs. The shipwrecks of Homebush Bay, the Brick Pit Ring Walk, the Abattoir Heritage Precinct, and Newington Armory are all evidence of a time long past.

On the Bay at Homebush you can also see the remains of at least four ships and barges, which have now become floating pots for the large trees that have sprouted out of them. Homebush Bay was used as a ship wrecking yard from 1966 until the 1970's, and these shipwrecks are protected under the Historic Shipwrecks Act 1976 and the NSW Heritage Act 1977.

Wentworth Point sits next to the site of the 2000 Olympic Games where athletes from around the globe travelled to Sydney and competed in the biggest and most prestigious athletic tournament in the world, the Olympics.

Welcome to your local library!

Wentworth Point Library is part of the City of Parramatta Libraries network and is a place where you can borrow books, study, have meetings, join in on fun activities, learn new things, and get advice from the friendly library staff.

Library membership is free and is open to anyone, even if you don't live within the City of Parramatta Local Government Area.

To join the library you will need to:

- complete the online form at libreg.cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au
- visit a City of Parramatta branch library and show identification with your name and current NSW residential address to get your library card

Your library card is your key to our 24/7 online library and all other library services. With your library card number and password, you can access thousands of e-books, online magazines, online resources, and much more!

You will need your library card each time you borrow a book or use library equipment, such as photocopiers, computers and printers.

And best of all, it is completely FREE!



Colour me in!

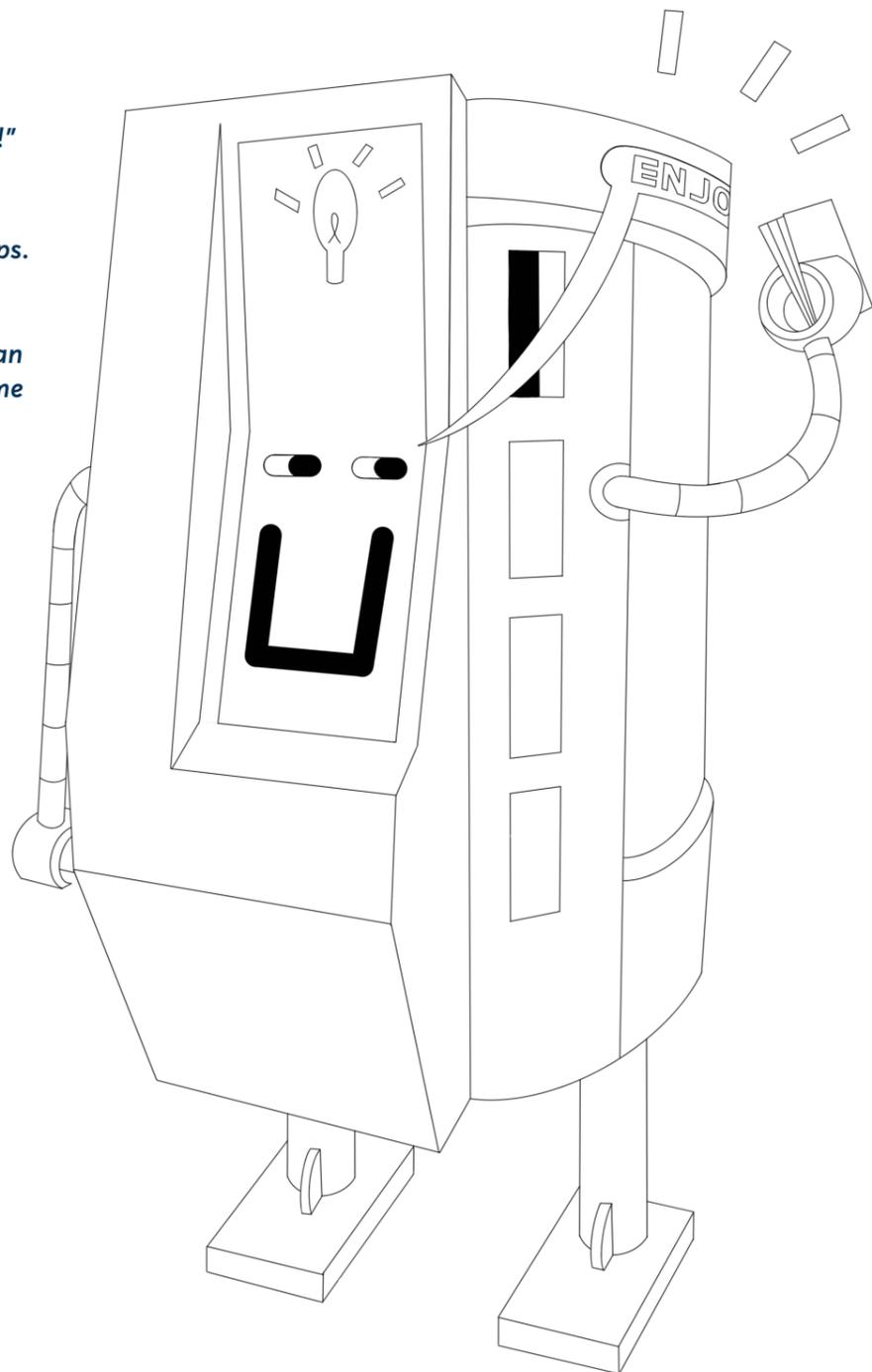
"Who's this?"

"I am the new Book Vending Machine at Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library!"

"What do you do?"

"I am the library that never sleeps. I am awake 24-hours a day, seven days a week, so City of Parramatta Library members can borrow books and DVDs from me whenever they like!"

"Now that is cool!"



Want to borrow from the Book Vending Machine?

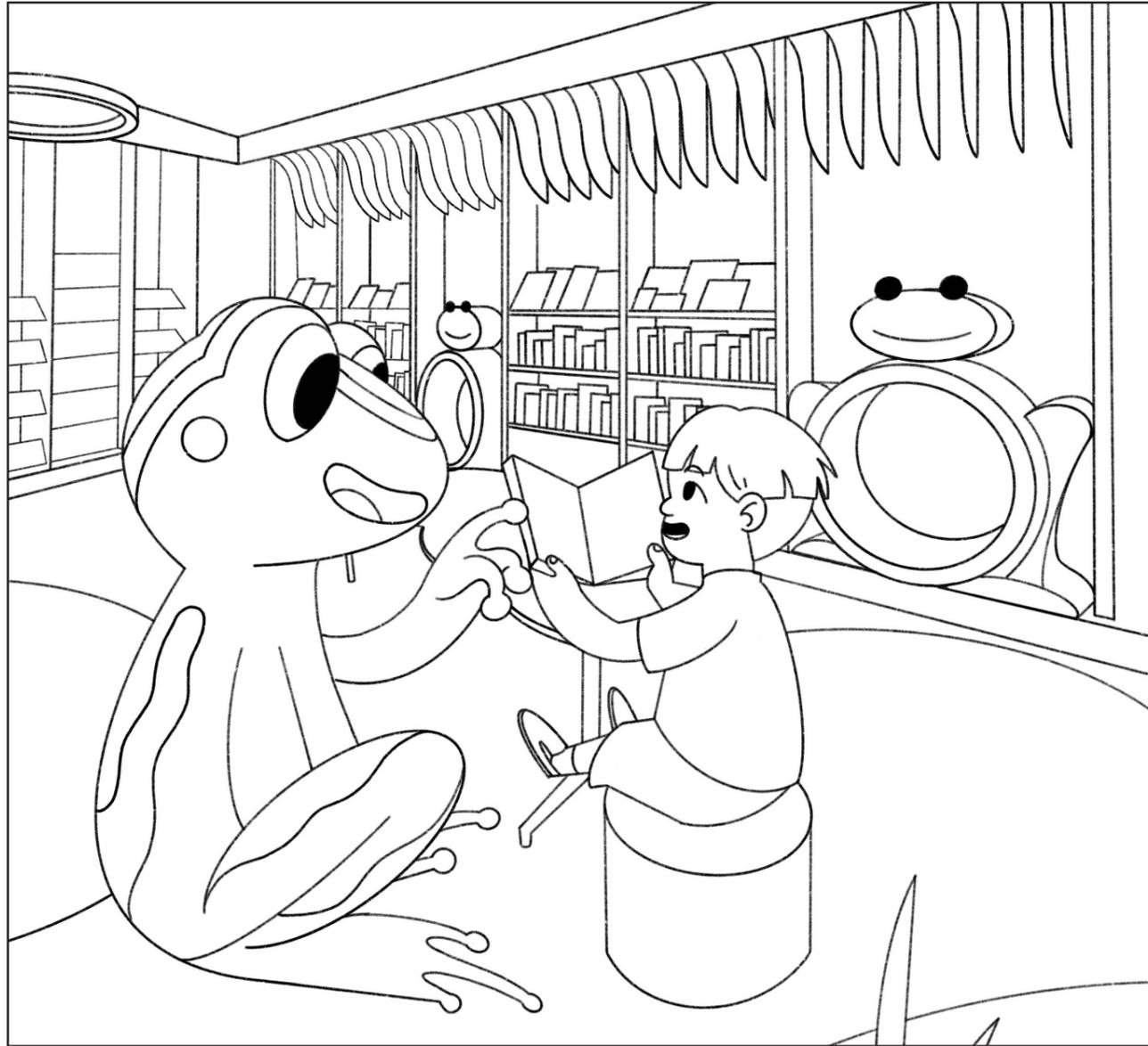
Here are 5 Easy Steps to access the 24-hour foyer, Library Facilities and resources

1. Become a City of Parramatta libraries member.
2. Make sure your membership card password is set up as a numeric PIN number when you sign up for your membership.
3. If you already have a membership and want to change your password to a PIN number go to bit.ly/38K8yWS, and go to Forgot my PIN.
4. To Access the 24-hour foyer, scan your membership card at the after-hours access point to the right of the WPCCL main entrance and enter your PIN number. The after-hours entry doors will automatically open outwards.
5. You can now access the 24-hour foyer where you can borrow a book any time of the day, seven days a week!

"What colours would the WPCCL Book Vending Machine be?"



Colour me in!



"Hi, I'm the Green and Golden Bell Frog!"

This is the Green and Golden Bell Frog. It has a very special connection with the local area as Homebush is home to one of the largest populations of these special amphibians in NSW.

This was not always the case though! Our local green and golden bell frog population was discovered in 1993 during the development of the area for the 2000 Olympic Games. The frogs have since become the subject of a major conservation program at

Sydney Olympic Park, which has already had very positive results. Not only has the original population been conserved, but two new self-sustaining sub-populations have emerged in purpose-built habitats, which have significantly influenced the park's design and management.

At WPCCL we call our frog reading nooks "Tiddalik", after a mischievous frog from Aboriginal mythology who would keep all the water to itself until it was made to laugh. Laughing would release the water for the frog's fellow animals to share.



Redsee the Readasaurus is the Paint Parra REaD reading mascot.

Redsee loves to:

- Read every day
- Visit the library
- Join events to encourage children to read, talk, sing and rhyme!

Redsee often visits Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library. Watch or join our story time sessions to see him in action!

For more information on Paint Parra REaD, visit: cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au/paint-parra-read





There are lots of rooms to hire at Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library.

- Dance Studio
- Function Rooms
- Boardroom
- Learning Lab
- Meeting Rooms
- Music Rooms
- Co-working spaces

Contact our friendly Bookings Team to hire a venue at WPCCL
Email: WPCCLBookings@cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au
or call: (02) 9806 8688.

"Thanks for joining us on this fun-filled journey!"

"We look forward to seeing you soon at Wentworth Point Community Centre and Library."



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