

# YOUR CITY NEWS

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OUR MONTHLY  
E-NEWSLETTER



Lord Mayor Councillor Martin Zaiter opened the \$1.4 million Dixon Park Escarpment Lookout.

## WELCOME TO YOUR CITY NEWS

As we head into Autumn, we've rounded up everything for you and your family to enjoy across our City - from live sport, music, school holiday activities and more. Why not check out the million-dollar views of the Parramatta River and City skyline from the new Dixon Park Escarpment Lookout? Or perhaps the newly opened Junction Street Plaza in Granville, now revitalised with fantastic multi-purpose courts, parkour and climbing structures. With so much to see and do, I'm sure I'll see you around our growing, global City of Parramatta!

Lord Mayor  
Clr Martin Zaiter

## WHAT'S ON



### COME TOGETHER THIS ANZAC DAY 25 APRIL

Join us in honouring the courage and sacrifice of all Australian servicemen and women, past and present, this ANZAC Day. Commemorate alongside your community at a Dawn Service hosted by our local Epping or City of Parramatta RSL sub-Branches. Lest we forget.



### ACKNOWLEDGE. REFLECT. HEAL.

26 MAY

Observe National Sorry Day with the community at the Dharug Circle in Parramatta Square. This day is an important opportunity to learn about the stories of the Stolen Generation and celebrate Aboriginal achievements, whilst reflecting on historical trauma in a bid to heal and grow.



### RIVERSIDE THEATRES

Don't miss these iconic productions, now showing at Riverside Theatres. *No Love Songs* is a powerful modern love story. *The Trojan War* delivers a riotous pop-fuelled retelling of Troy's fall. Whilst *Looking For Alibandi* brings the beloved Australian classic to the stage in a heartfelt celebration of identity, family and resilience.

# PROJECT UPDATES

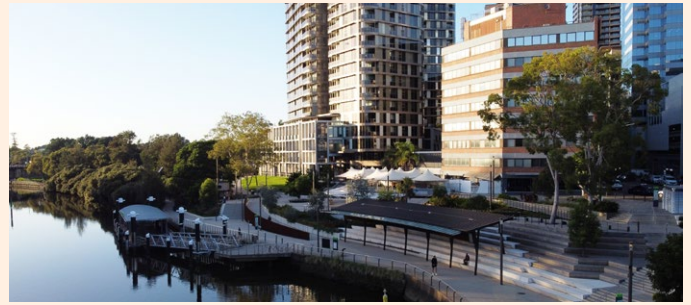


## INTRODUCING OUR NEW URBAN PARK

The newly updated Junction Street Plaza is now open to the public! What was once 1,000m<sup>2</sup> of underutilised land under the M4 motorway, is now home to multi-purpose courts, parkour elements, and climbing structures. Stop by and explore this revitalised community space.



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## TAKE A PEEK AT PARRAMATTA'S NEW LOOKOUT

Experience the stunning City skyline and Parramatta River from the new Dixon Park Escarpment Lookout! Officially opened on February 21 by Parramatta MP Ms Donna Davis and Lord Mayor Clr Martin Zaiter, this previously unused reserve has been transformed through a \$1.4 Million initiative, with funding provided by the NSW Government, City of Parramatta and the Federal Government. Complete with new pathways, seating and thriving plant life, this fantastic spot is ready to be enjoyed by the community.

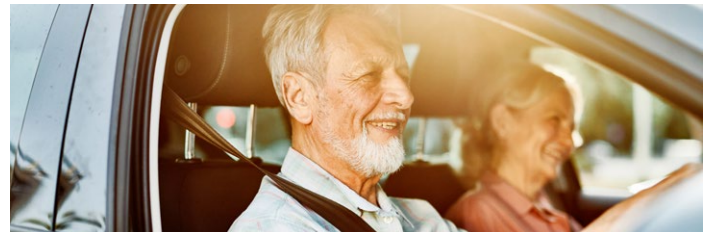
# PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES



## HELP US KEEP OUR BUSHLAND BEAUTIFUL

Looking to get involved with your local community? Our Bushcare groups across Parramatta need volunteers this Autumn! Meeting once a month, these groups remove weeds and plant native species to create homes for our local wildlife.

No need to be an experienced gardener - all training and equipment is provided. Sign up now and play a key role in helping our incredible bushland thrive.



## FREE SENIOR DRIVER WORKSHOP

Sign up for our free Senior Drivers Workshop happening on 21 May, part of Council's Local Government Road Safety Program. This in-person workshop will cover low risk driving strategies, new vehicle technology and more. It will also include medical and driving assessment choices from the age of 75. Light refreshments will be provided on the day. Register now - attendee numbers are limited!



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## KEEP YOUR LITTLE PASSENGERS SAFE AND SECURE

Make sure your child's car seat is correctly fitted. Residents can have their child restraint assessed by an authorised fitter for free on 1 May. This important initiative is being provided as part of Council's Local Government Road Safety Program. Bookings are essential and open from 10 April.



## GET ACTIVE PARRAMATTA!

Active Parramatta is making fitness more accessible. For a limited time enjoy an entire term of online sessions for \$32, or face-to-face sessions for \$63. Choose from a wide range of activities including Boxing, Zumba, Belly Dancing, Pilates, Yoga and more. Explore your options and register today.



## HOME ENERGY DISCOUNTS AND FREE ADVICE

Did you know you can get free independent home energy advice for solar, batteries, EV chargers, air conditioning, and more?

Participate in the free online home energy advice to take advantage of this service, and receive 5% discount on induction cook tops.

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



## FAMILY FUN UNDER THE STARS

Grab a picnic blanket and head down to your local park these April school holidays for a free movie night! Our outdoor cinema is bringing the fun, including live music, roving entertainers and kids activities to enjoy with the family. Scan the QR code for details on movie listings and food options.



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### ACTIVE PARRAMATTA AWAITS

Registrations for the Active Parramatta's Autumn School Holiday Program open 9 April. Choose from over 30 children and youth activities, including Rugby League, Yoga, AFL, Gymnastics, Skateboarding, Pickleball, Taekwondo, Netball, Tennis, and loads more!



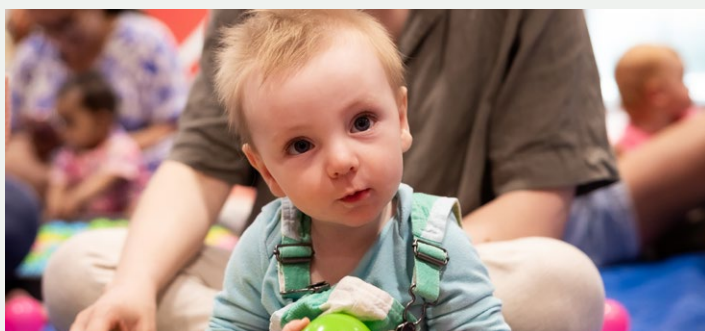
### MAKE A SPLASH!

Get on down to Parramatta Aquatic Centre, open 7 days a week! Grab your goggles and explore the wide range of aquatic spaces, including the indoor splash zone, 25m leisure pool, and 50m outdoor pool.



### THEATRE ADVENTURES FOR THE KIDS

Riverside Theatres has an electric and side-splittingly funny lineup for kids. *You're An Instrument* is a hands on musical experience, turning science into music. And *Mr. Snotbottom*, is a hilarious snot-filled comedy - perfect for kids who love a bit of silly fun. Check out the program, and book tickets today.



### BIG FUN FOR LITTLE ONES

Our weekly activities are the perfect way to keep bubs entertained and learning at PHIVE. Led by creative and experienced instructors, these sessions help develop social skills, focus, and a sense of discovery. Book online for Messy Sensory Play for Babies, Yoga Cubs, and Pre-School Pioneer classes.



### LEVEL UP AT ALT: GAMES

Dive into a two-day festival based at PHIVE, celebrating Australia's vibrant gaming industry and community. On April 12 and 13, experience cutting edge digital games, insightful talks from industry experts, and interactive game installation that will amaze you. Presented by Powerhouse, with support from City of Parramatta, Screen Australia, and Screen NSW. Don't miss out - book now!



## GET READY, PARRAMATTA EELS FANS!

The new season is upon us, and kicking off in a big way. Cheer on the mighty Eels as they take on the Dragons and the Dolphins in a thrilling showdown that will keep you on the edge of your seat. The City of Parramatta activation will be at the Eels home games at CommBank Stadium throughout the 2025 NRL season. Come along, support our Eels, have a bite to eat pre and post game, and score some great prizes!

**HAVE  
YOUR  
SAY**



## MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD TO WIN!

Ever wondered how you can influence the future of your local area? Register for our community engagement e-newsletter, or provide your input via Participate Parramatta on Council projects before 31 May, and enter into the draw to win one of three \$150 e-gift cards. Let us know your thoughts, and be in it to win it.



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