

Media Release

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Celebrate grandma and grandpa with Camden Council

Grandparents and grandchildren are invited to celebrate their special bond on Grandparents Day with Camden Council!

At Tuesday night's Ordinary Meeting, Council resolved to accept \$1,600 in funding from NSW Department of Communities and Justice to put towards activities for its 2019 Camden Grandparents Day Program.

One of those activities is a FREE Zumba class for grandparents and grandkids on Tuesday 12 November, 4-5pm, at Mount Annan Leisure Centre. Participants will be grooving to the latest music, with fun steps to follow.

Grandchildren are also invited to express how much they love their grandparents through **art and craft at**Mount Annan Leisure Centre, from Monday 11 to Friday 15 November, 9am-5pm. A professional photographer will be there the capture the children and their families, with the photos to be displayed across Council's three libraries, Mount Annan Leisure Centre and on Council's social media.

Mayor of Camden, Cr Theresa Fedeli, said the initiatives met actions of various Council-endorsed strategies.

"As part of our Children and Families Strategy, we're encouraging our local children to embrace individual differences and respect diversity," Cr Fedeli said.

"In Council's Active Aging Strategy, we've committed to increasing opportunities for older people to participate in recreational initiatives.

"As a grandmother myself, I think what we're doing here is so important. The bond I have with my grandchildren is so special to me and I think the bond of every grandparent and their grandchildren should be celebrated!

"I'd like to say a big thank you to the Hon. Dr Geoff Lee MP, Acting Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans for the grant and Mr Peter Sidgreaves MP, Member for Camden, for his support."

Narellan Library is also running a special edition of its regular Storytime session on Wednesday 30 October, at 11am. At Grandparents Day Storytime, all grandparents, grand-friends and grandkids are welcome to read stories, share in craft, music and enjoy morning tea together. Binyang the Bookasaurus will also be making a special appearance!

For more information on:

- Activities happening at Mount Annan Leisure Centre, call 4648 4830 or visit ymcansw.org.au/centres/mount-annan-leisure-centre/; and
- Grandparents Day Storytime, visit camdenkids.com.au and search 'Grandparents Day Storytime'.