

PROJECT WOW Water Festival - Thursday 13 September 5 – 9pm

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Not only is it designed to celebrate water and its impact in our lives, it also draws attention to the need for Marrickville residents to improve their mindfulness of water, as currently less than 2% of all water available is consumed by residents.

While local community groups and individuals have been working hard on this event, Marrickville West Primary School has viewed it as so important it has developed a complete semester's curriculum around it.

"Authentic learning is a powerful way to meaningfully engage students in the curriculum", explains Ruth Bradfield Ling, Principal of Marrickville West Primary School. "With the vision of Project WOW, our school has contextualised a range of subjects including Science, English, Maths, Art and HSIE, within the study of our relationship with the Cooks River. With the help of local community members from Project WOW, students are reflecting and exploring their local environment, while developing skills, knowledge and understandings about living and working in the Riverside Subcatchment and surrounding areas of the Cooks River."

Vanessa Hyde, the project co-ordinator said that the event "will be a wonderful evening, full of fun and creativity, with something for every age. It's a free event and the whole community is invited, so if you are free next Thursday evening, drop in."

For further information on the night contact Vanessa Hyde: ness@grakkart.com / 0430 032 716 or visit: www.projectwow.com.au.

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Note to Editor:

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IMPROVE OUR SUBCATCHMENT WATERCYCLE

Did you know that each year in our subcatchment:

- Sydney Water pipes in 287,000 kilolitres of drinking quality water.
- 521,000KL of water falls as rain.
- Only about 0.4% (3,000KL) is actually consumed by the residents.

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