Westmead Redevelopment’s Arts and Culture Strategy development continues with ongoing community workshops. Newly arrived migrant families, who are members of parenting groups, have drawn their suggestions while an ‘origami master’ has inspired patients and families at The Children’s Hospital at Westmead.

Over the past three weeks, members of parent and school groups have detailed pictures representing their vision for arts at Westmead. Both children and adults suggested nature-inspired design, colours and artworks in patient waiting areas and patient lounges inside and around the central acute services building. Many suggested art that reflects the Parramatta River and celebrates Aboriginal history, culture and stories. Some community members would like to see digital artworks and exhibitions that could be updated on an ongoing basis as well as large feature pieces like sculptures.

Last week, origami master Yoshimi Lawler taught workshop participants at The Children’s Hospital at Westmead how to fold paper cranes and lotus flowers while chatting about their arts and culture vision.

Another two origami workshops are scheduled this week. It’s free to attend and you don’t have to register. All are welcome.

- Tuesday 19 September, 10am-2pm, Westmead Hospital, outside the John Loewenthal Auditorium in the Westmead Education and Conference Centre (WECC)
- Thursday 21 September, 10am-2pm, Galleria, The Children’s Hospital at Westmead

Parramatta Light Rail wrap-up

Thanks to everyone who attended the Parramatta Light Rail staff forums held at The Children’s Hospital at Westmead and Westmead Hospital over the last two weeks.

The Parramatta Light Rail’s Environmental Impact Statement is currently on public exhibition. Information can be found on Light Rail’s website at: www.parramattalightrail.nsw.gov.au

If you would like to more information about the impacts of Light Rail at Westmead, please call 1800 684 490 or email parramattalightrail@transport.nsw.gov.au

Origami workshop with Yoshimi Lawler continued from page one.
A recent commissioning meeting with members of gastroenterology and the Westmead Redevelopment. The schedule being held tracks the many tasks required before and immediately after the official opening, including staff orientation and training sessions.

Last week Lucia Labib, the Nursing Unit Manager (NUM) of Westmead Hospital’s gastroenterology ward, was presented with flowers. This kind gift was from the A3a refurbishment construction team and followed the ‘handover’ inspection.

Handover marks the end of the construction phase. Now that handover of the space has occurred, Westmead Hospital now commence the operational commissioning of the area.

During this phase, Westmead Hospital staff including the gastroenterology NUM, complete their checks and testing to make sure A3a is ready for the first patients.

In the coming weeks there will be deliveries of medical consumables, curtains and patient beds.

A series of training and orientation sessions have started. Sessions are preparing staff and include training on new equipment and spaces including the isolation room (a negative pressure room for immunocompromised and infectious patients).

**A new name**

A3a is the new home of gastroenterology, which will be known as Gastroenterology Comprehensive Care Centre and includes the newly named Gastroenterology Day Centre (the day clinic for outpatients).
Precinct Works

Car parks currently available* for Westmead Hospital staff
Areas under construction

Boo gates at the front Mons Road are active, please use your staff pass to swipe in to access staff parking.

Demolition of old cooling towers continuing in this location. Please expect changes.

Fleet services car park is now open.

Traffic conditions changes continuing in this location. Please allow extra time coming to and from the precinct.

Disruptions to Labrinth Way ongoing due to footpath works. Vehicle access will be maintained.

There is alternate building access into the Kids Research Institute until October 2017. Signage is in place.

*Major changes to parking will continue throughout 2017. We will provide information about future changes in the weekly Westmead Redevelopment project update.