

Teacher Workshop at Parramatta Park World Heritage Fieldwork / Site Study

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HSIE teachers gathered on a beautiful spring afternoon at Parramatta Park on 12th October. They enjoyed a tour of Old Government House, led by Brian Powyer, Volunteer Guide for National Trust, and they were treated to a delicious afternoon tea put on by Lachlan's Restaurant. Then they headed off on a delightful walk through the park led by Verena Mauldon, Parramatta Park Trust Curator. Verena shared her wealth of knowledge about the historical and geographical features of the park.



Participants at the Dove and Hen House

This was followed by presentations by Christopher Levins, Parramatta Park Trust Director and Brian Powyer giving us the background of the Parramatta Park Education Resource and the World Heritage status of Old Government House and Domain.

Sue Field, the GTA Project Manager for the Parramatta Park Education Resource, introduced the resource to teachers and highlighted the place of the resource in the geography and history syllabuses. Sue Clunie, Visitor Services Co-ordinator for Parramatta Park Trust, informed participants that the resource is available online on the Parramatta Park website at www.ppt.nsw.gov.au in the 'Education' section. Teachers at the workshop received a hard copy version plus other resource material to support the resource. Teachers were encouraged to provide feedback to Sue Field when they have looked carefully at the resource.



Introduction of the Parramatta Park Education Resource

The Parramatta Park Education Resource was then officially launched by Christopher Levins and everyone that had contributed to the success of the project was congratulated. Nick Hutchinson, President GTA NSW, thanked Parramatta Park Trust and praised the project team. He emphasised the suitability of the resource with the introduction of the National Geography Curriculum.

Participants had the opportunity to network over delicious refreshments provided by the Parramatta Park Event Centre.

Teachers are encouraged to check out the resource on the Parramatta Park Trust website. If you would like a hard copy of the resource, contact Sue Clunie at the Trust.