Growing Gold Creek School to meet demand

Work is underway to expand Gold Creek School to create space for new students.

The junior school will accommodate 300 new students in 2020 and an additional 200 students in the senior school in 2022.

Playground equipment at the junior school is also being replaced, along with new soft-fall and a new covered outdoor learning space.

More at act.gov.au/our-canberra

A message from the Chief Minister

We are planning for our growing city by building the major infrastructure projects our city needs to ensure we remain one of the world’s most liveable cities.

We’re expanding the Canberra Hospital and our Walk-in Centre network, building new schools in our suburbs, delivering a city-wide light rail network and investing in our cultural and community facilities across the city.

As we build the infrastructure our city needs, we are also continuing to renew the facilities in our suburbs and town centres that Canberrans rely upon.

Andrew Barr
Building for Canberra’s future

Canberra’s population is growing towards 500,000 so we’re building our future infrastructure to ensure our city continues to be a great place to work, live and enjoy.

Over the next 10 years we will extend light rail and build new hospital facilities, walk-in centres, schools, sporting facilities and arts and cultural precincts.

⇒ Find out more about how we are planning for the future at act.gov.au/our-canberra

A new climate change strategy

Our city has come a long way in reducing emissions. We will reach our 100% renewable electricity target next year, but there is still more to do.

A new climate change strategy for Canberra outlines how we will work together to reduce transport emissions, build smarter buildings, reduce waste, improve energy efficiency and find innovative solutions to climate change.

⇒ More at act.gov.au/climatechange

Canberra maternity options

It’s not always clear what to do when you first find out you’re having a baby.

There’s now a new way to access and learn about Canberra’s public maternity system. You will need to call 5124 9977 when you’re pregnant to arrange an appointment with a midwife to find and start the best public maternity care for you.

⇒ More at health.act.gov.au/maternity

Build, buy or renovate

Getting started with a renovation, new build or off-the-plan purchase?

The Build, Buy, Renovate website provides important information on your rights and responsibilities.
⇒ Visit act.gov.au/buildbuyrenovate
Bike & Ride along the Light Rail corridor

Riding a bike is a great way to connect with the Transport Canberra network. There are more than 10 locations along the Light Rail corridor that you can use to Bike & Ride. Secure your bike to a bike rail or at one of the secure cages or take your bike on board.

→ More at transport.act.gov.au

Better playgrounds in Gungahlin

Playgrounds across 31 Canberra suburbs, including in Nicholls, Crace, Throsby and Palmerston, have been upgraded. New shade sails, fencing, seating, inclusive play equipment and footpaths have been installed across 39 playgrounds to make sure local kids have access to well-maintained places to play and explore.

→ More at tccs.act.gov.au

Watch for speed limit changes on the Barton Highway

The section between the signalised roundabout and the entrance to Radio 1 RPH heading towards the city was identified as a black spot and will soon be reduced to 80 km/h.

→ More at tccs.act.gov.au

A new inclusive playground in Gungahlin

Gungahlin families can now enjoy a new inclusive playground on the central median on Gungahlin Place.

→ More at tccs.act.gov.au

A smoother commute to Gungahlin

Horse Park Drive is now duplicated all the way from the Katherine Avenue intersection in Amaroo through to the Federal Highway. All four lanes have been opened and the speed limits are now reinstated. Stage 2 of the duplication of Gundaroo Drive continues between Gungahlin Drive and the Barton Highway. Completion is on track for mid-2020.

→ More at tccs.act.gov.au
Socceroos coming to Canberra

Canberra will host the Caltex Socceroos against Nepal on 10 October.
Get down to the game at GIO Stadium and show your support for Australia’s first match on home soil in the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 second round qualifier.

→ Buy tickets at giostadiumcanberra.com.au

Around the world without a passport

Experience international culture, flavours and sounds inside Canberra’s embassies and high commissions during Windows to the World.

Enjoy free and ticketed events from 5-20 October including an expo at Floriade, traditional Singaporean dancing, and wife-carrying at the Embassy of Finland.

→ More at windowstotheworld.com.au

Japanese culture shines at Nara Candle Festival

View the sea of candles, watch martial arts displays, take part in drumming workshops and lantern making, and enjoy Japanese music, food and market stalls.

Join the festivities at Canberra Nara Peace Park in Lennox Gardens.

→ See the full program at events.act.gov.au/nara

Arboretum’s new tracks and trails

Twelve kilometres of new tracks and trails are now open at the National Arboretum Canberra.

The new tracks and trails provide more access for visitors to explore some of the Arboretum’s 94 forests of rare, endangered and symbolic trees.

→ More at nationalarboretum.act.gov.au

Final weeks of Floriade

There are only a couple of weeks left of this year’s Floriade festivities, with tulips continuing to bloom until 13 October.

→ More at floriaustralia.com