



A festival of light and colour: Botanical celebrates Diwali

Diwali is an important festival for Hindus, Sikhs, Jains and some Buddhists across the world. It's a celebration of lights, and takes place over multiple days towards the end of the year. In October, we marked the occasion with one of the biggest events we've ever staged at Botanical.

An amazing 330 people attended our Residents and Friends Day, which included Diwali festivities, free food, Bollywood dancers, craft workshops, henna tattooists and the incomparable DJ Richi.

It was a pleasure hosting such a successful and joy-filled event, and we were delighted to hear that so many participants loved the day. Here's what a few of our residents and locals told us after attending:

"Thanks for the event. It was great. My three girls loved it as did we."

"Beautiful Diwali event. Yummy free food and kids' activities. DJ was rocking. Thankyou for organising."

"Absolutely amazing. Thanks a lot for the event. Blessed to be a part of the Botanical family."

"Thanks Botanical for the great event we had on Saturday."

Thanks to everyone who came along and to the many organisers, vendors, performers and artists who made the day so special.

If you weren't able to make it along and join in the fun, you can [view our summary video](#) of the day.



Update from our Development Manager

Thanks for reading our summer edition of the Botanical newsletter. We hope you enjoyed our cover story on the incredibly successful Residents and Friends Day we hosted in October. Read on, and we'll tell you about our newest neighbourhood, The Willows; update you on the magnificent Mickleham Primary School art project; and congratulate the winners of our recent Halloween competition.

But before we get to that, here's what's happening at Botanical with regard to development.



Jeremy Hughes
Development Manager

Neighbourhood 1

In exciting news, construction has commenced on the childcare centre. We expect that One Early Education Group will open the centre in late 2023.

Landscaping of the transmission reserve will commence in early 2023 and, upon completion, will include grass kickabout areas and a footpath network.

Evergreen

Construction continues to advance in Stage 13 and Stage 14, with electrical works and communications installations now complete and concrete pouring for footpaths and crossovers now underway.

In Stage 15, water reticulation works are complete. We're making good progress with the installation of service crossings and road excavation works, and in Stage 16, sewer

reticulation works are progressing.

In stages 17 to 19, engineering approvals have been obtained from Hume City Council and site establishment is now underway ahead of construction commencement in early 2023.

Approval for stages 20 to 23 is a little way off. We anticipate that construction will begin early to mid next year.

Evergreen has been a great sales success, and at the moment the only regular lots remaining for sale are in stages 22 and 23. If you or someone you know is considering townhomes, we've teamed up with builder Townliving and are selling these homes in Stage 18. At the time of writing this there are only four left, but more will become available in the new year.

There are also larger, 'homestead'-style lots available.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter and wish you a very happy

Bootcamp promises to be a HIIT

If you follow our social media posts or read our newsletter regularly, you'll know we're big on encouraging the Botanical community to get outside and stay fit. And that's why we're so excited to be offering a free fitness program in collaboration with Fit Academy.

The twice-weekly 'bootcamp' sessions are taking place at Botanical Park on Brossard Road every Monday and Wednesday evening during the school term, starting at 5.30pm.

On Monday you can do a high-intensity interval training (HIIT) workout. If you've never tried HIIT before, it involves short periods of activity to get your heart rate up (that's the high-intensity bit) with rests in between (that's the interval part).

On Wednesday you can do a strength and conditioning session.

The classes are designed for everyone - it doesn't matter whether this is your first time training or you're a total fitness fanatic.

It's totally free and all you need to do to be involved is [register your details on the Fit Academy website](#). You'll be asked to become a member. After that, head over to the "bookings" section, select "book class" and choose the "Botanical Bootcamp (Mickleham)" option.

As always during this period, if you're not feeling well it's best not to attend.

Welcome to The Willows

The newest Botanical neighbourhood, to be located in the very centre of the project, connecting our first neighbourhood with Evergreen, now has a name.

The Willows will comprise approximately 1300 lots to be sold across 26 stages. Set on 96 hectares of land, the neighbourhood will feature 25 hectares of planned parks and open spaces, wetlands, play areas and bike paths for the community.

Mickleham Primary, Hume Anglican Grammar and Elevation Secondary College are all within 10 kilometres of The Willows. La Trobe University's Bundoora campus is less than half an hour away.

Nearby shopping villages are less than ten minutes away in the car, and residents can be in the centre of thriving Craigieburn in less than 15 minutes. If you'd prefer to walk to pick up dinner ingredients, or just a loaf of bread, a boutique grocer is planned within the community.

As with the first two Botanical neighbourhoods, we anticipate that this one will be highly sought-after. If you'd like to know more or make an enquiry, you can contact our friendly Sales Team by calling 1800 200 800 or email botanical.sales@satterley.com.au



Halloween decorations come up a (trick or) treat

In October, we asked Botanical residents to send in a photo of their homes decked out in hair-raising decorations as we approached Halloween. What we received gave us a real fright... but in the best way possible.

The winner of the competition was Michael Schu whose photo showed a house with an entry that seemed to be absolutely infested with things that go bump in the night. There were skeletons, pumpkin monsters, ghosts... every type of scary creature imaginable, really.

We were impressed and so were the neighbours. One person told us "This house was so good. I took my kids and the neighbours kids to see it numerous times! Well deserved."

Congratulations Michael. We hope you enjoy your \$200 Visa gift card.

Thanks to all our residents who spook-ified their homes and dressed up to celebrate the spine-tingliest day of the year. We love the community spirit at Botanical!



The Doughnut Ottoman is nearly here

If you're a regular reader of this newsletter, you'll know we've been sponsoring a unique and really exciting art project at nearby Mickleham Primary.

A quick recap: the historic school is undergoing the largest upgrade in its history. Earlier this year, Satterley introduced Sankar Nadeson to the school. He's become the school's artist-in-residence, working with students to create a sculptural work that will complement and commemorate these changes.

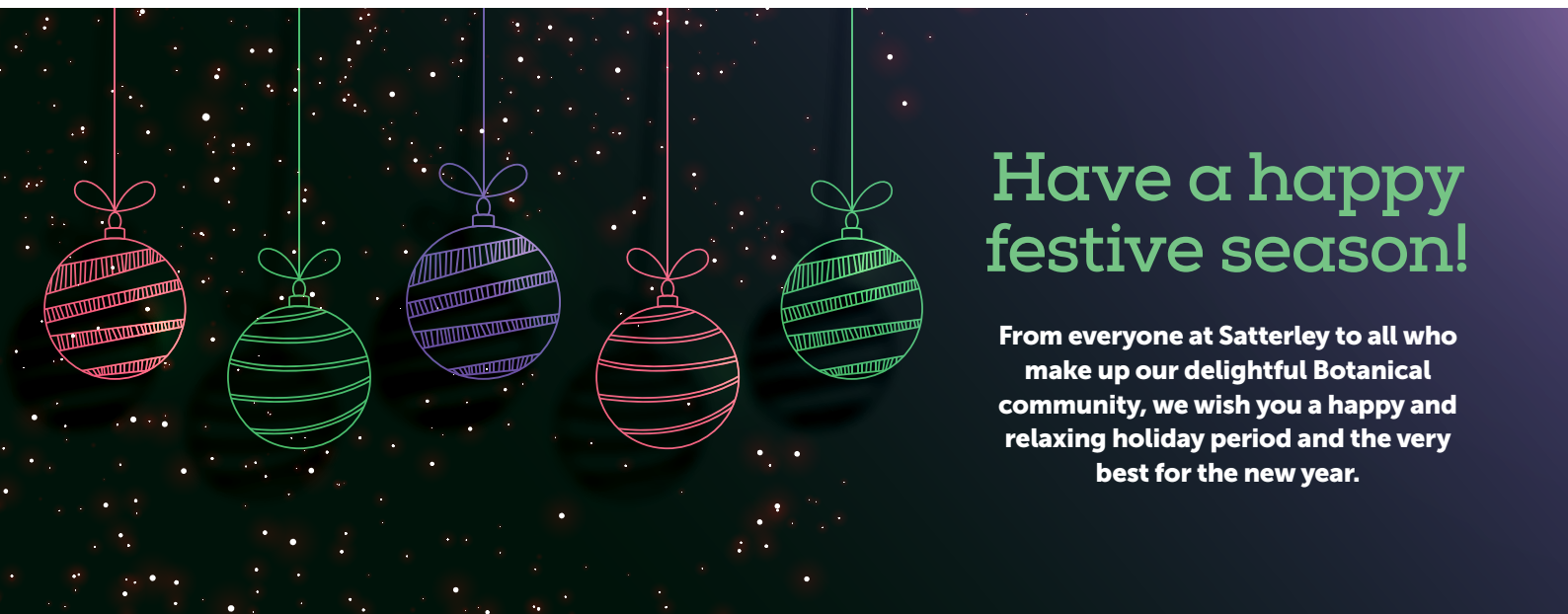
Over several months, and dozens of art studio workshops, an idea took shape. It's become known as the Botanical Doughnut Buddy Ottoman, a piece of art with a practical element, capable of seating up to ten students. It will feature tiles created by students and a lilly pilly tree will grow in its centre.

Well, the project is very close to being completed, and we're currently working through the transport options.

As you can see from the image, this is an amazing piece of work that will become an unmissable landmark in the school grounds.

We can't wait to share exciting installation updates on our social pages early next year and we hope to have a full update in our next newsletter.

An enormous thanks to Mickleham Primary School, Sankar, whose dedication and passion has been evident throughout the project, and also to the hard-working students whose creativity and artistic skill have inspired so many people in the community.



Have a happy festive season!

From everyone at Satterley to all who make up our delightful Botanical community, we wish you a happy and relaxing holiday period and the very best for the new year.