

SUNSHINE LIBRARY SHINES



An artist's impression of the Brimbank Community and Civic Centre. The Sunshine Library is located on the first two floors, and the double-height reading room is shown in the foreground. The children's area is behind the reading room, incorporating an outdoor space.

DANIELLE MARIE tells us about the exciting new Sunshine Library in Melbourne's western suburbs.

Due to open in mid-2016, the new Sunshine Library will be set over two floors of the seven-storey Brimbank Community and Civic Centre. The building is conveniently located in the Sunshine Town Centre and is well serviced by public transport.

Features of the new library include a large double-height reading room, quiet study rooms and booths, two IT training rooms, a video games area, a toy library and collections in English and ten community languages.

The children's area on the first floor features a story-time amphitheatre, reading nooks and outdoor space. Six dedicated computers with fun educational content for children are located in the children's area.

Community members will have access to 47 public

computers located on both levels, as well as use of wi-fi from a range of comfortable seating options. Electronic resources such as e-magazines will be accessible through dedicated iPads and large-screen computers on both levels.

The five community learning rooms on the first floor will have adjustable walls, offering greater flexibility to accommodate various activities and programs. In addition to the new Sunshine Library, the Brimbank Community and Civic Centre will include a customer service centre, exhibition area and coffee-cart-style café on the first floor. ☺

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