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Mayor hosts Multicultural Pool Party at Marion Outdoor Pool

More than 160 children and their carers attended the Mayor of Marion's Multicultural Pool Party at the Marion Outdoor Pool last night.

The City of Marion has hosted an annual multicultural event at the pool for a number of years with the aim of bringing together residents from diverse backgrounds in an inclusive environment.

"Many new Australians are choosing to make Marion their home and we celebrate our culturally, linguistically and religiously diverse communities," Mayor of Marion Kris Hanna said.

"The Marion Outdoor Pool is an ideal place to enjoy the Australian summer lifestyle so it was wonderful to see so many families at the event enjoying the pool, the water slides, the free activities and each other's company.

"This season with the support of Royal Life Saving Society South Australia, the Marion Outdoor Pool facilitated a Multicultural Swimming Program. Across the eight weeks, 58 individuals successfully completed the water safety program and 27 completed their CPR accreditation."

The Marion community has more than 95,000 residents from more than 100 different cultures who live in 28 suburbs.

<u>2021 Census data</u> shows the three largest ancestries in Marion remain English, Australian and Scottish but Marion has recorded an increase in population from residents from Chinese and Indian backgrounds and a significant increase in residents from Nepalese background.

Marion has a larger percentage of people with Nepalese ancestry than Greater Adelaide (1.9% compared to 0.6%).

Marion is also home to two significant cultural landmarks including the Shri Ganesha Hindu Temple in Oaklands Park and the Islamic Mosque in Park Holme.









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