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The Tuggeranong Community Council welcomes the ACT Government announcement of a \$1.8 million Introductory English Centre for Tuggeranong.

"President of the Tuggeranong Community Council Nick Tsoulis said the Introductory English Centre for Tuggeranong will be an important community infrastructure that will help many primary and pre-school aged students as well as adults connect to local communities and their cultural background, and encourage lifelong learning."

"What we have lacked here in Tuggeranong now for some time are local facilities that can provide the elements for learning English for the first time as a second language for newly arrived students in the ACT, which often we take education for granted in Australia"

Its only been 20 years now in some European Countries that English has been introduced as a second language in mainstream schools, so having this support for so many people in Canberra, will bring alot of hope to new residents and their families."

"The Wanniasa Hills Primary School is the perfect location for the new centre to be developed, which offers good access to both public transport, local shops and more importantly the Erindale Library"

"There is also alot that can come out of a program like this"

" Perhaps the ACT Government have sown for a future CIT Campus for Tuggeranong, which could see a wider range of programs for migrants and newly arrived students to the ACT."

Kind Regards,

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