



Families and helpers enjoy playing, reading and craft at a playgroup for the Arabic speaking community.

# Playgroup links families to support

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CAMPBELLTOWN'S Arabic speaking community now has somewhere to take their children for fun and games thanks to Macarthur Diversity Services Inc (MDSI) and Northcott Family Resource Links.

The two organisations joined forces to open a supported playgroup for the Arabic speaking community recently.

MDSI Arabic community support worker Najla Abou-Halloun said she was hoping to see more families attend the weekly sessions.

"Playgroups often pro-

vide the first step for parents to become more involved in the community and they are a great opportunity for families to interact through play, reading and craft," she said.

The playgroup is held at the MDSI in the Jessie Thompson Building in Browne St, Campbelltown.

The group runs every Friday during school terms between 10am and noon.

MDSI also runs Zahra Arabic Playgroup at Claymore Neighbourhood Centre on Thursdays from 10am to noon.

Details: Najla or Cecilia on 4627 1188, or Leanne or Lorinda on 4625 1061.