

Cairns Libraries



Kid's Fishing Hole News

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(Reopening 2009)

Welcome

to the first quarterly edition of the Kid's Fishing Hole News for 2009!

2008 was a huge year for Cairns Libraries; Earlville Library was relocated, the new Manunda Library opened, Mossman Library joined the network, Smithfield Library was beautifully renovated, and construction on the new Stratford Library finally began.

Amongst all the commotion, there were still lots of fun free events held especially for kids. We had Puppet shows, a Bopstar performance, Secret Forest and Mary Serenc workshops, a tour with author Philip Gwynne to primary, high schools and branches, colouring in competitions, Festival Cairns celebrations with local celebrity readers, tours to schools, tours of Libraries, plus Baby Rhyme Times, Teen Book Club meetings, Storytimes and craft sessions. Phew! What a big year it was!

Cairns Libraries plans to continue delivering free children's events in 2009—here's what we have coming up next, but don't forget to check our website because we're always planning more:

Upcoming Children's Events:



Jan 1 to Feb 14 The Summer Reading Club

Have your kids joined the biggest national reading club in Australia? Collect a club pack from the front desk of any branch of Cairns Libraries and visit www.summerreadingclub.slq.qld.gov.au

for book lists, online games and author events including the live online chat with author/illustrator Terry Denton! (see below). Plus you can go into the draw to win some great prizes!



Jan 14 & 21 - Summer Reading Club Meeting @ Mossman

Mossman Library staff are hosting a meeting for all Summer Reading Club participants on January 14 and 21 from 10.30-12noon. There will be fun activities, games, book discussions and face painting. Tailored to kids aged 5 and above, but all welcome!



Jan 15 - Chat online with Terry Denton

Terry Denton is one of Australia's most popular author/illustrators with his explosive and colourful illustrations found in many books by Andy Griffiths and Paul Jennings. Terry will be chatting online at **11am Thursday 15 January 2009** as part of The Summer Reading Club program of events.

You'll need to register by January 12. For instructions visit www.summerreadingclub.slq.qld.gov.au. And don't forget to think up some questions! Check out what makes Terry tick and visit his crazy and colourful website, www.terrydenton.com.



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Manunda Library

January 27
February 24
March 24

(4th Thursday of
each month

10.30-11.30am

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Jan 12, 13, 16—Drama and Storytelling Workshops



Cairns Libraries is thrilled to host Mary Serenc again these school holidays. This series of workshops is for 5-7 year olds, and like all Cairns Libraries events for kids, is free:

January 12— City Library 10.30-11.30 am
January 13—Babinda Library 10.30-11.30 am
January 16—Mossman Library 10.30-11.30am

Phone a branch or ask at the front desk to make a booking, but don't delay, Mary's workshops are very popular!

January, February and March Storytimes

Storytimes are scheduled once a month at each branch (excluding Mossman which run Storytime weekly) so if you are really keen, you can attend one, two or sometimes three sessions a week!

If you would like to participate in the craft activity that occurs after the stories we do ask that you make a booking, otherwise please feel to pop in if it suits and read along!



Mathew, Rosemary and Nathan at Smithfield Library's Storytime October 2008

Storytimes during 2009 will be held at:

Babinda - 3rd Wednesday of the month
ph 4067 1112

Gordonvale - 1st Tuesday of the month
ph 4056 1365

City - 2nd Wednesday of the month
ph 4044 3720

Manunda 1st Wednesday of the month
ph 4044 3779

Earlville - 4th Thursday of the month
ph 4044 3766

Mossman - every Thursday
ph 4099 9496

Edmonton - 1st Thursday of the month
ph 4055 4121

Smithfield - 3rd Tuesday of the month
ph 4057 7755



Jan 28, Feb 25 & March 25—Teen Book Club

The Teen Book Club occurs on the fourth Thursday of each month at Smithfield Library 4-5pm. Although we call it a *Teen* Book Club we welcome kids of all ages who love reading.

The program is very flexible; we discuss books of course—new and old, but also talk about movies, school—anything that kids are interested in, all over some yummy snacks. No need to book, just stop by and look for the table covered in new books and cookies!

The Teen Book Club is hosted by the Children's Librarian, so this is also a great opportunity for kids and parents to get reading advice and tips and tricks on how to use the catalogue to get the best results.



Children's Librarian's Book of the Month:

James Patterson's *Final Warning* (Book four in the *Maximum Ride* series)

Max and her genetically engineered friends have managed to survive but on their biggest quest yet- saving the planet- they risk being hunted down and sold to the highest bidder by none other than the one who created them. Book 1 *The Angel Experiment* is soon to be a big screen movie!



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Back to School? Time to get FREE online tutoring!

As a member of Cairns Libraries, children and teenagers have free access to the national online tutoring website called Yoututor.

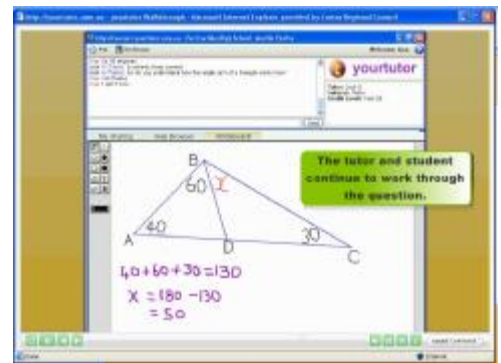
Yoututor is an excellent service for students; it even includes extension levels. Yep, that's right parents, that means **extension Math, Physics and Chemistry too!**

The website features a chat room like interface supporting a web browser, whiteboard, and file transfer portal. This means tutors and students can search the web for formula, draw problems on the whiteboard, and even send documents to each other —everything you could do in a private, face to face lesson!

Yoututor tutors are all specially selected. They are tertiary educated in their subject area and trained in tutoring kids for the online environment. And in a time of global outsourcing we are happy to tell you that yes, these tutors are also Australian!

Last year Central Queensland University gave regional public libraries including Cairns Libraries additional funding to pay for Yoututor subscriptions. We are very grateful to CQU for this generous contribution and helping us to provide greater educational opportunities to kids in the Far North.

So take a tour of Yoututor and see how beneficial this service is for yourself! www.yoututor.com.au. Tutors are online **Monday to Friday, 4-8pm**.



Manga Mania—the new trend of an old genre

What is Manga you say? Manga is the Japanese term meaning cartoon and comics, however the word has now become synonymous worldwide meaning cartoons or comics from Japan. Manga is written for children, teenagers and adults and covers all genres.

Manga has been around for over a hundred years, and chances are, you are more familiar with it than you think. Remember Astro Boy? He began his career in Manga in 1952 before being turned into Anime (the Japanese word for animation, which like the term Manga, now refers to any animation from Japan itself). Astro Boy will soon hit our cinemas as a major motion picture, proving some Manga is classic; it can be rediscovered and loved by a new generation in another time and place—and new technology always helps of course!



Today, more and more people are showing an interest in Manga, particularly teenagers, and thanks to the popularity of Anime on early morning TV, (who can forget the likes of Pokamon and Sailor Moon) many kids today have had a taste of the style before even picking up a book. Libraries are responding to the trend by adding Manga to their collection. If you're not sure where to start, here's our top 5 we recommend for teens:

Bleach by Tite Kubo
Tsubasa translated by William Flanagan
Fruits Basket by Natsuki Takaya
Naruto by Masashi Kishimoto
Yu-Gi-Oh! by Kazuki Takahashi



We also have books on how to draw Manga. To find these in the catalogue select Advanced Search, type Manga and set Limit by Collection to Adult or Junior non fiction.

To learn more about Manga, visit www.comicsworthreading.com/category/manga

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