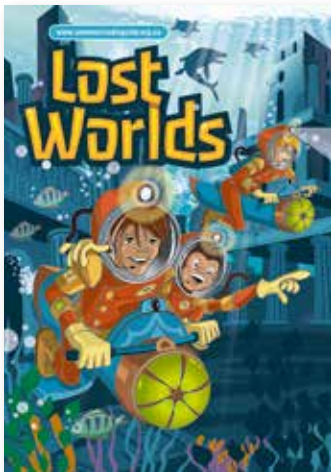


GET LOST IN A BOOK THIS SUMMER

Libraries and museums are important partners in efforts to help children sustain learning during the summer months when too many children lose ground because they don't have access to resources. Public libraries have long been anchors for community-wide activities to address summer reading loss. *GROWING YOUNG MINDS* reports.

JOIN THE SUMMER READING CLUB!

The Summer Reading Club (SRC) is a national online literacy program that is available in more than 1,000 public libraries across Australia. The SRC addresses the summer slide by supporting continued multi-literacy skills development in children and young people during the summer period, and providing motivation to read. Last year more than 40,000 Australian children joined the club, reading almost 270,000 books.



In 2014, Australian libraries that participated in the SRC reported an increase in library use and the number of visits by children and young people, and an increase in circulation numbers and the ability to motivate children to read and engage with library collections.

Led by State Library of Queensland in partnership with the Australian Library and Information Association

(ALIA), Australian Public Libraries Alliance (APLA) and public libraries across Australia, the Summer Reading Club 'Lost Worlds' will be delivered nationally from 1 December 2015 to 31 January 2016.

We hope you'll join us by registering your library's participation to encourage your young patrons to get lost in a good book this summer.

Involvement in the Summer Reading Club is easy, cost effective and fun. The following is provided:

- Merchandise, marketing material and program templates, used as incentives for participation and developing in-house resources to support local programming.
- The SRC website, created to extend SRC programming into homes, supports connections to literature and provides exposure to Australian authors and illustrators.

SRC 2015: LOST WORLDS

The theme for 2015 encourages young library patrons to get lost in exploring and discovering fictional worlds, alternate universes, mythical beings and periods of time or species that are now lost. These could include:

- dinosaurs, dragons, mythical beasts, alien or otherworld species
- magic, witches, wizards, time travellers, superheroes, genetically modified superhumans
- skeletons, zombies, vampires, werewolves, demons, angels, faeries, trolls, goblins
- mythical worlds, lost underwater worlds, epic quests, fantasy, other worlds or realms
- dystopian worlds, end-of-days survival, cloning, identity
- space, exploration, sci-fi
- lost cities such as Atlantis, El Dorado, Pompeii, Machu Picchu, Troy, Petra.

How can your library get involved?

Registration is free. Simply complete the registration form online at summerreadingclub.org.au and you will receive confirmation of your participation. The SRC program is designed to be a flexible, fun and practical program that can be adapted to suit the needs of your individual library.

To contact the Summer Reading Club program coordinators, please email summerreadingclub@slq.qld.gov.au or phone 07 3840 7853. ☎



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