

**AUTHOR****HM WAUGH**

Years 3 - 6  
 Woodvale Library  
 Tuesday 20 August  
 9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
 1.00pm - 2.15pm



HM Waugh is a children's author, educator and environmental scientist with a long-term love of wild places and outdoor adventures. She has been kidnapped twice, handled dragons for a job and dreams of one day blasting into space. Her books mix humour, danger and friendship with a dash of science and imagination.

HM Waugh's interactive, fast-paced sessions will cover all the important questions. What's her favourite way to brainstorm? How does science help creativity? Are goats better than dogs? Why does she jump off tall things?

Along the way, you will discover the inspirations behind HM Waugh's novels *Mars Awakens* and *The Lost Stone*.

[hmwaugh.com](http://hmwaugh.com)

**AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR****RENÉE TREML**

Years K - 6  
 Duncraig Library  
 Friday 23 August  
 9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
 1.00pm - 2.15pm



Renée Trembl is the author and illustrator of several best-selling picture books for very young readers, including *Ten Little Owls*, *Let's Go, Little Roo*, and *This Little Joey*. She is the creator of the highly engaging and funny junior fiction graphic novels featuring Sherlock Bones (*Sherlock Bones and the Natural History Mystery*, *Sherlock Bones and the Sea-Creature Feature*, and *Sherlock Bones and the Art and Science Alliance*) and six books in the silly and sweet Super Adventures of Ollie and Bea series.

Renée has a degree in environmental science and has a passionate love of natural history. Her school visits involve readings, discussions and depending on the group size, interactive workshops where children create illustrations or write their own stories.

[reneesartwork.com](http://reneesartwork.com)

**AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR****GABRIEL EVANS**

Years K - 6  
 Duncraig Library  
 Tuesday 13 August  
 9.20am - 10.35am, 11.05am - 12.20pm,  
 1.00pm - 2.15pm



Join author and illustrator, Gabriel Evans, for a hands-on picture book session.

Gabriel is a picture book author and illustrator. His books are published in fourteen countries, are read on ABC's Play School and reviewed in the NY Times.

Gabriel will share his journey of becoming a picture book maker as well as his process for making stories, including the illustrating process, creating characters and developing ideas.

Students will participate in designing a character and discovering their story. Let Gabriel show you how easy it is to draw one of his characters and see if you can create your own!

[gabrielevansartist.com](http://gabrielevansartist.com)

**PERFORMER****PERFORM EDUCATION**

Years K - 2  
 Joondalup Library  
 Friday 9 August  
 9.30am - 10.30am, 11.30am - 12.30pm

*Maybe a Miracle!* is a new educational musical adventure from Perform Education and is touring schools in partnership with The Children's Book Council of Australia, to celebrate Children's Book Week® 2024 and the theme Reading is Magic.

It is a highly interactive musical exploration of making the most of even the most ordinary situations and a celebration of the power of positive thinking. *Maybe a Miracle!* is a joyful leap into the world of imagination that books inspire every individual to be part of while featuring a selection of the 2024 CBCA Short Listed books to help point the way.

[performeducation.com](http://performeducation.com)

**VISUAL STORYTELLER****AŠKA**

Years 3 - 6  
 Whitford Library  
 Wednesday 14 August  
 9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
 1.00pm - 2.15pm



Aška is an amazing entertainer with a background in science, drama, fine art, and dance. She is an energetic visual storyteller, comic maker and science communicator. She has published over ten children's books and comics and is a regular contributor to *The School Magazine* and other publications.

Her latest graphic novel, *Stars in Their Eyes*, (with Jessica Walton and Fremantle Press) has received much recognition including CBCA, ALIA, and Comic Arts Awards Australia listings in Australia.

Aška's presentations are fully interactive and engage the students with questions, games, live brainstorming, and impromptu drawing. There might even be an explosion!

[askastorytelling.com](http://askastorytelling.com)

**Joondalup Library**  
 102 Boas Avenue,  
 Joondalup, 6027

**Whitford Library**  
 Cnr Banks and Marmion  
 Avenues, Hillarys, 6025

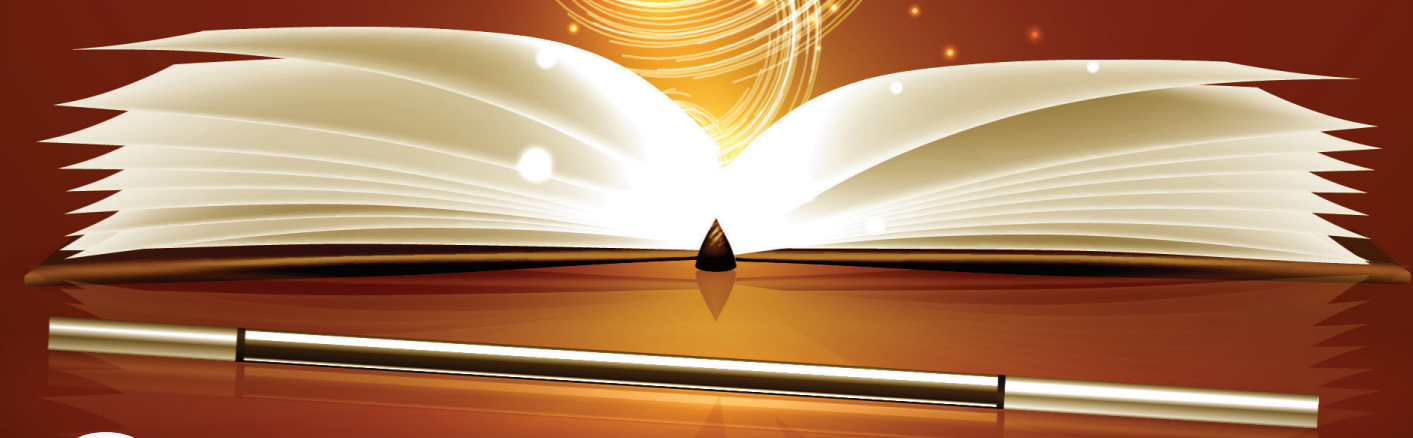
**Woodvale Library**  
 5 Trappers Drive,  
 Woodvale, 6026

**Duncraig Library**  
 Cnr Warwick Road and  
 Marmion Avenue,  
 Duncraig, 6023

# Celebrate CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

9-23 August 2024

*Reading is Magic*



# City of Joondalup Libraries welcomes you to join our free annual Children's Book Week celebrations.

This year, the theme is

## Reading is Magic

A wide range of local authors, illustrators and storytellers are joining us in 2024. All schools in the City of Joondalup are invited to participate in activities designed to link quality literature to a pathway of learning, discovery, innovation, and creativity.

Children's Book Week allows your students to engage in:

- Meet the author talks
- Meet the illustrator talks
- Storytelling performances

All sessions are free. Bookings are essential and open on **Wednesday 17 April 2024**.

Bookings can only be made on the City's website [joondalup.wa.gov.au](http://joondalup.wa.gov.au)

Please read the following **How to Book a Session** information carefully and consider all school commitments and transport requirements before making your booking request.

### How to Book a Session:

1. Browse through the program and select the presenters and sessions that interest you.
2. Keep in mind your own constraints such as class sizes, ages, location, bus availability, sports carnivals and other school commitments or excursions during those dates, and only select those sessions you have a firm intention of attending.
3. Please use one Online Booking Request Form per class. You may indicate up to three preferences. Please prioritise one to three which sessions you prefer, with one being most preferable.
4. All Online Booking Requests must be submitted by **Monday 27 May 2024**.
5. Every effort will be made to allocate each school's higher preferences but please keep in mind that some presenters will be very popular and not every class will be able to be accommodated.
6. An initial round of offers will be made to schools by **Monday 10 June 2024** to allow schools enough time to plan for attendance.
7. It is a courtesy to authors/illustrators for classes to be familiar with their books – it also makes their sessions even more interesting for the students. If you need help please ask your school librarian, or our Library and Community Programs Officer on **9400 4759**.
8. If a school must cancel for any reason, notice of at least three working days prior to the event must be provided.

Please note, bookings cannot be made through Library branches.

All enquiries should be directed to the Library and Community Programs Officer on **9400 4759**, or by email: [youth.children@joondalup.wa.gov.au](mailto:youth.children@joondalup.wa.gov.au)

### AUTHOR

## ISOBEL BEVIS

Years P - 6  
Whitford Library

Thursday 8 August  
9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
1.00pm - 2.15pm

Isobel is a Wilman, Ballardong Noongar woman born and raised in Collie, south-west of Western Australia with strong family connections in WA. She was raised in a large Noongar family, growing up on Wilman Boodja listening to stories and learning culture and language from her Kabarli (Nana). Isobel holds a Master in Aboriginal Languages and a degree in teaching, including Noongar language.

She is enthusiastic about sharing her cultural knowledge with students and teachers. Through interactive games, students will learn Noongar words for animals and plants that are featured in Isobel's book *Nedingar*. This is a fun, engaging presentation getting students moving and participating in activities.

[fremantlepress.com.au/contributor/isobel-bevis/](http://fremantlepress.com.au/contributor/isobel-bevis/)



### AUTHOR

## JOSH LANGLEY

Years P - 6  
Joondalup Library

Wednesday 14 August  
9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
1.00pm - 2.15pm

Josh Langley is an award-winning children's author promoting positive mental and emotional wellbeing messages for primary school aged kids.

Josh is a passionate advocate for mental health and his sessions are presented in an honest, simple, and relatable way. For younger students – a fun and interactive reading of *Being Wildly Kind* plus a drawing activity focusing on kindness and empathy, feelings and creativity.

For older students - *Being You is Enough* is the focus. Josh will share how he overcame failures to become an award-winning author. The session covers growing resilience, self-acceptance, the importance of talking about feelings, building empathy and the power of imagination.

[joshlangley.com.au](http://joshlangley.com.au)



### AUTHOR

## KRISTY NITA BROWN

Years 2 - 6  
Woodvale Library

Monday 12 August 9.15am - 10.30am,  
11.00am - 12.15pm, 1.00pm - 2.15pm

Behind every story is a great character. Play games and learn fun ways to invent magical, memorable characters with Kristy Nita Brown.

Kristy is a junior fiction author who independently publishes books. Her debut title, *Looking for Lily*, was shortlisted for the 2023 West Australian Young Readers' Book Award and won second place in the 2022 Children and Young Adult Aspiring Authors Competition in the chapter book category. Her subsequent work, *Mavey and Beth's Double Act: Where's My Whistle?* won fourth place in the 2023 edition of the same competition. A qualified primary school teacher and TAFE lecturer, Kristy delivers creative writing and filmmaking workshops at libraries and schools.

[kristynitabrown.com.au](http://kristynitabrown.com.au)



### AUTHOR

## TRACEY DEMBO

Years 1 - 4  
Duncraig Library

Friday 16 August  
9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
12.45pm - 2.00pm

Tracey will share her passion for picture books and will help kids unleash their imagination machines in this interactive and fun-filled session.

Tracey Dembo is a Perth-based writer who is passionate about igniting children's imaginations and helping our future leaders to find their own voice. She believes in the importance of play and has a strong interest in children's early learning and development. This perfectly aligns with her love of picture books and the important role they have in that process.

[traceydembo.com](http://traceydembo.com)



### AUTHOR

## AMY DUNJEY

Years K - 2  
Whitford Library

Monday 12 August  
9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
1.00pm - 2.15pm

Amy Dunjey is a children's author and speech pathologist who loves tall trees, hot chips and writing for kids! She hails from Perth, Western Australia, where she lives with her little family.

Amy takes inspiration from all things quirky and whimsical and aspires to write stories that ignite little imaginations and instill the same love for words and adventure that she treasures herself. Amy has written four rhyming picture books, with more on the way! She also writes poetry and short stories for children's magazines.

Amy's sessions will be filled with stories, dancing and fun activities for little ones!

[amydunjey.com/about/](http://amydunjey.com/about/)



### AUTHOR

## SHARON GILTROW

Years K - 6  
Joondalup Library

Monday 19 August  
9.15am - 10.30am, 11.00am - 12.15pm,  
1.00pm - 2.15pm

Sharon Giltrow grew up surrounded by pet sheep, fields of barley and her seven siblings. She is the author of three picture books – *Bedtime, Daddy! Get Ready, Mama!* and *Let's Go Shopping, Grandma!* – and an early middle grade book, *Samara Rubin and the Utility Belt*.

For younger students – Sharon will share her hilarious 'how to' picture books and help the students make their own mini books.

For older students – Sharon will share her middle grade book. She will help students discover their sidekick animal and use its superpowers to design their own utility belts to overcome everyday challenges.

[sharongiltrowauthor.com](http://sharongiltrowauthor.com)

