

Download Your Own e-Book

Monday 18 June
1.00pm–2.30pm

You've created an e-book, now what? Learn how to download your e-book onto portable devices such as e-readers and iPads. Bring along your own portable device. Pre-attendance at the Create Your Own e-Book session is preferred. Bookings required.



10th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday 23 June
11.00am–4.00pm

Mill Park Library is 10 years old. Join us for a day of fun events, activities and entertainment, including an animal farm, balloons, prizes and giveaways, and cultural performances.

Hypnosis: Change Your Life

Tuesday 26 June
7.00pm–8.00pm

EFT (Emotional Freedom Technique) and professional hypnosis master practitioner **Sarah Batsanis** will reveal how hypnosis works and outlines its potential to transform your life. Bookings required.



Why I Hate that Book

Wednesday 27 June
7.00pm–8.00pm

Read any books that you've hated? Bring along an unenjoyable book and enjoy hot chocolate with marshmallows while you talk about it. Bookings required.



Chill Out Tuesdays

Every Tuesday
3.30pm–5.00pm

Aged 13–17? Play table tennis, foosball, pool, the Wii and xBox, play music on the DJ equipment and hang out with other young people at the library.



Just4Kids

Mother's Day Coupon Book

Wednesday 9 May
3.30pm–4.30pm

Make your mum, grandma or other special person a book of coupons they can redeem for anything from a hug to a car wash.

Mother's Day Storytime

Thursday 10 May
6.30pm–7.30pm

Saturday 12 May
11.00am–12.00noon

Celebrate Mother's Day with some special stories. Make a special gift to give your mum, grandma or other special person.



LAW WEEK

Wills and Powers of Attorney

Monday 14 May
10.30am–11.30am

Thinking of writing a Will? Have you made a Will, but thinking about changing it? **Robert Frajsman** from **Whittlesea Community Legal Service** will give an informative session on Wills and gaining power of attorney. Bookings required.



Storytime in the Pool

Tuesday 12 June
12.30pm–1.30pm

Love reading? Love swimming? Join us for this special storytime. Bring your bathers, meet at the library, and we'll read books in the toddlers' pool at **Thomastown Recreation and Aquatic Centre**. Bookings required.

Understanding Dementia

In Partnership with Alzheimer's Australia

Thursday 14 June
10.30am–12.00noon

Discover the difference between normal age-related memory changes and dementia, and find out other important matters related to dementia. Bookings required.

Just4Kids

Celebrity Animals

Wednesday 20 June
3.30pm–4.30pm

If you like playing Celebrity Head, you'll love this fun game of celebrity animal.

An Arabic Community Event

Caring for People with Disabilities

Wednesday 20 June
6.30pm–7.30pm

Do you speak Arabic and need advice relating to health issues, or the government agencies to approach for assistance? Join us to find out these answers and more.

Book online at www.yprl.vic.gov.au

Homework Help

Every Monday
3.30pm–5.00pm

Need some help with your homework? Weekly tutoring sessions are available to students who are seeking assistance with their studies. For further details contact the library branch. Bookings required.



Just4Kids

Gifts for Mum

Wednesday 9 May
4.00pm–5.00pm

Make a lollypop flower and a gift box for your mum, grandma or other special person. This session is for primary school-aged children.

Mother's Day Craft Morning

Friday 11 May
10.30am–12.30pm

Bring along your mum, daughter, grandma or other special person for morning tea and craft activities including beading, felting, knitting and silk dyeing. Browse and borrow from a display of new books. All welcome. Bookings required.

Garden Club

Tuesday 15 May & 19 June
(Third Tuesday of the Month)
11.00am–12.00noon

Meet with like-minded gardeners in our sustainable garden to swap ideas and plants, and chat about all things garden. Refreshments provided.

LIFE stories

LIBRARY WEEK

Story Wall
Sunday 20 May–Saturday 26 May

Become a story writer. Add to our Story Wall during Library Week to create our first story book.

Book Swap

Sunday 20 May–Saturday 26 May

Want to update your book collection? Bring along your old books and swap them.

DV Creative Writing Group

Monday 21 May & Monday 18 June
11.00am–12.00noon

Like to write? Create your masterpiece and share ideas, tips and techniques with this innovative creative writing group. Beginners welcome. Refreshments provided.



Creative Writing Extravaganza

Monday 21 May
12.00noon–1.00pm

Interested in creative writing? Always wanted to write your own book? Author of *Four Days of Fear* **Bill Wakeling** will shed light on the writing process. Lunch provided. Bookings required.

Bygone Days

Births, Deaths & Marriages

Wednesday 23 May
10.00am–12.00noon

View **Anne Dixon's** special collection of historical birth, death and marriage costumes then Family History Librarian **Liz Pidgeon** will get you started on your own births, deaths and marriages research. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.



Dungeons and Dragons

Wednesday 23 May & 20 June
4.00pm–5.00pm

Learn how to play the popular game Dungeons and Dragons. **Stephen** will guide you through a game of D&D.

Scrabble Club

Friday 25 May & 29 June
(Last Friday of the Month)
3.00pm–5.00pm

Want to test your word skills? Join our Scrabble Club for a fun afternoon of socialising and game playing. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

Family History Fest

Ancestors in Mental Asylums

Wednesday 30 May
1.30pm–2.30pm

Genealogist **Kath Ensor** has conducted a major study on institutionalisation of the mentally ill and their families. She will discuss her research and provide tips for researching mental health records.



Warhammer Workshop

Wednesday 30 May & 27 June
4.00pm–5.00pm

Learn how to play Warhammer, paint figurines and set up scenery. **Jamie** from the **Games Workshop** will show you how.

Road Safety for Seniors

In Partnership with the RACV
Tuesday 5 June
11.00am–12.00noon

This essential session will cover driving and road safety tips including the impact of medications on driving, how to assess your driving ability, information about alternative transport and how to plan for future mobility. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.



Just4Kids

Funny Grass Heads

Wednesday 13 June
4.00pm–5.00pm

Bring an old stocking and make a funny grass head. This session is for primary school-aged children.

Family History Fest

Early Australian Archives

Wednesday 27 June
1.30pm–2.30pm

New UK records such as convict and Australian army records are now available thanks to the Australian Joint Copying Project. Hear about how it can help you with family history research. Presented by **Graham Thom**.



Book online at www.yprl.vic.gov.au

Italian Chat

Thursday 3 & 17 May
Thursday 7 & 21 June
11.00am–11.45am

Practise your Italian-speaking skills at this friendly conversation group.

Queenie: One Elephant's Story

In Partnership with ELTHAMbookshop
Saturday 5 May
3.30pm–4.30pm

Picture book author **Corinne Fenton** recalls the poignant story of **Queenie**, Melbourne Zoo's resident elephant for many years. Families welcome.

MOTHER'S DAY

Fun-Filled Floral Workshop

Thursday 10 May
10.30am–12.00noon

Learn about the language of flowers and how to make a gorgeous flower arrangement from **Tammy Davies** of **A Floral Experience**. Take home a beautiful floral token perfect for a Mother's Day gift. Lucky door prize. Morning tea provided. Bookings required.



Mother's Day Storytime

Saturday 12 May
11.00am–11.45am

Join us for a storytime that celebrates being a mother. Help your child make a small gift to give to someone special.

Partners and Crime

Thursday 17 May
7.00pm–8.30pm

Author **Rochelle Jackson's** book **Partners and Crime** tells the diverse stories of the women connected to the **Underbelly** men of crime. Hear about the heartache that comes with loving the "wrong man" and spending years mixed up in the justice system. Books for sale and signing. Wine and cheese supper. Bookings required.



True North: The Durack Sisters

In Partnership with ELTHAMbookshop
Wednesday 23 May
7.00pm–8.30pm

True North is a fascinating Australian story of the creative lives of the Durack sisters and their lifelong love of the Kimberley region by award-winning biographer **Brenda Niall**. Books available for purchase and signing. Wine and cheese supper provided. Bookings required.

A Cycling Adventure

Friday 8 June
10.30am–11.30am

At 65, **Colin Abbott** embarked on a 15-month 17,000 cycling trip around Australia. This visual presentation allows you to experience an adventure that is part environmental statement, part physical challenge.



Hands-On Computing

Thursday 21 June
10.30am–12.00noon

Move beyond point and click at this session on using tablet devices, QR codes and other ways to free you from the keyboard and mouse.

e-Reading Exposed

Thursday 24 May
10.30am–12.00noon

See some examples of e-readers and watch a demonstration of an e-book being loaded onto the device.

Biggest Morning Tea

Friday 25 May
10.00am–12.00noon

Join us for the annual Biggest Morning Tea and help us raise funds for the Cancer Council. Give a gold coin donation and enjoy a delicious morning tea. Browse and borrow from a display of **NEW** books.

Unfinished Craft Objects

Saturday 30 June
2.00pm–4.00pm

The **Sisterhood of the Travelling Pants** Jeans Genies appear from nowhere and create magic in your library. Be inspired by the Jeans Genies and help decorate the travelling jeans, or bring along your own craft project to finish in this workshop.



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LIBRARY AND INFORMATION WEEK

Think Outside the Book

Sunday 20 May – Saturday 26 May

It's the week we focus on libraries and their many benefits. Think outside the book and go digital. Get connected by discovering our e-resources, downloadable music, computer classes and playgroups. Learn how to use Skype, podcasts and our website.

See www.yprl.vic.gov.au and inside the brochure for details.

Mother's Day

Sunday 13 May

Celebrate a special woman in your life at the libraries for Mother's Day.

See inside the brochure for event details.

Mill Park Anniversary

Saturday 23 June
11.00am–4.00pm

Mill Park Library is celebrating its 10th birthday. Help us celebrate the library's first decade. Join us for a day of fun and entertainment, including an animal farm, balloons, prizes and giveaways and cultural performances.

Use your smart phone to access the QR code (right) and book for events. First time user? Go to your phone's app store and search for a free QR code reader.

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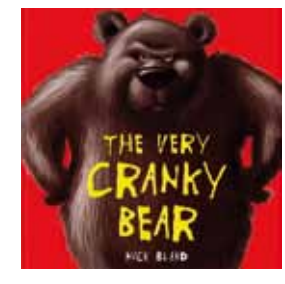
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National Simultaneous Storytime

All Library Branches
Wednesday 23 May
11.00am

It's a cold and rainy day and four little friends find a perfect place to play. But it's already inhabited by a very cranky bear. How can they cheer the bear up so he will let them in his cave? Join thousands of children, at hundreds of locations across Australia, to hear **The Very Cranky Bear** by **Nick Bland**. All will be revealed by special guest readers at all the library branches. Suitable for all ages.



Queen's Birthday

All branches will be CLOSED on the Queen's Birthday holiday on **Monday 11 June**.





Dog-Eared Book Club Illustration Workshop

Thursday 3 May 4.00pm-5.00pm Learn to tell stories in cartoon panels with Kev Howlett from Busbyrd Publishing. Bring your own pencils and markers. Places limited. Bookings required.

Mother's Day Storytime

Saturday 12 May 11.00am-11.45am Special stories for mothers and kids (and Dads can come too!) Make a surprise for your mum or other special person.

LIBRARY WEEK

Parent Seminar Learning Difficulties Tuesday 22 May 6.30pm-7.30pm Learn how to deal with the various challenges that may arise for a child with learning difficulties such as Autism, Aspergers, ADHD, Dyslexia, Auditory Processing Disorder, etc. Presented by Nadine Shome from ReMinds. Bookings preferred.



Just4Kids Treasure Hunt

Wednesday 23 May 4.00pm-5.00pm Follow the 12 clues and find the hidden treasure. Make a special bookmark to take home. For primary school children.



Dog-Eared Book Club Music Hour

Thursday 7 June 4.00pm-5.00pm Calling all music lovers aged 11 to 16. Bring your own instrument and share your talent, or kick back on a beanbag and listen. See the latest music books and CDs, and get a Freegal music download demo. Chips and drinks provided.

Italian Day

Tuesday 12 June 11.00am-1.00pm Enjoy traditional Italian music and songs and play scopa and briscola at this lively and entertaining get-together. Pizza and coffee provided.

REFUGEE WEEK

Bedtime Storytime Tuesday 12 June 7.00pm-8.00pm Hear the beautiful story of a family leaving their homeland to come to Australia. Make a bookmark. Come in your pjs. Milk and a teddy bear biscuit provided. Suitable for all ages.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

Repowering Australia

Monday 18 June 7.00pm-8.00pm Learn how Australia could achieve 100% renewable energy within 10 years from Beyond Zero Emissions.



A Collector's Tale

Tuesday 1 May 7.00pm-8.00pm Meet vintage clothing collector Ann Dixon who will delight you with her tales of do's and don'ts when adding to a collection. Bookings required.

Just4Kids Think Outside the Book

Wednesday 2 May 4.00pm-5.00pm Lively games, interesting activities and craft for school-aged children.

LIBRARY WEEK

Library Website Session Monday 21 May 1.30pm-2.30pm Learn how to navigate the library website to place holds, create a user name and make lists. Get your questions answered. Bookings required.



e-Books and Overdrive

Tuesday 22 May 7.00pm-8.00pm An introduction to the library's Overdrive homepage - your search page for downloadable e-books. Bookings required.

Extra, Extra Read All About it!

Wednesday 23 May 1.30pm-2.30pm Read global news events from the comfort of your chair. Join Jane to explore what is available online both in newspaper and magazine formats free through the library. Bookings required.

Genealogy Research Online

Thursday 24 May 11.00am-12.00noon Enjoy some family history research on one of the many genealogy databases available at the library. Family History Librarian Liz Pidgeon will offer tips and tricks. Limited places. Researchers with their own laptops welcome. Bookings required.

No Books Storytime

Friday 25 May 10.30am-11.30am Join us for a different storytime with no books. Children are invited to come dressed up as their favourite book character and get involved in the stories told.

Italian Storytime

Wednesday 30 May & 27 June (Last Wednesday of the Month) 10.00am-10.30am Hear stories read in both English and Italian. Come along and learn a new language.



Jon Faine: From Here to There Tuesday 5 June 1.30pm-2.30pm

774 ABC Radio talk show host Jon Faine talks about his father and son road trip from Melbourne to London and the book he penned about their adventures, From Here to There. Bookings required.

Bedtime Storytime

Starry Night Tuesday 1 May 7.00pm-8.00pm Stories and songs that will make you glow like the moon and twinkle like the stars. Create a moon and star mobile.



Spanish Language Café

Wednesday 2 May & 6 June (First Wednesday of the Month) 7.00pm-8.00pm Join Spanish teacher Laura Mendoza for an informal session of conversational Spanish. If you are learning Spanish, travelling, or just want to improve your skills, this class is a must.



Memories of Our Community My Favourite Book

Tuesday 8 May 10.30am-12.00noon Spend time chatting with this friendly conversational group over a cuppa, and reminisce about all areas of life. In this session everyone is asked to bring along a favourite book to show the group.

Set Goals to Improve your Life

Thursday 10 May 7.00pm-8.00pm Life coach Pauline from Mindset Momentum will discuss how to use goals to achieve your dreams and get more out of life. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.



LIBRARY WEEK

Writers@Watsonia Workshopping

Thursday 24 May & 28 June 6.30pm-8.30pm Join this friendly group of writers to workshop your writing - whether it is memoir, short stories or a larger work. New members welcome.



Downloading e-Books Workshop

Friday 25 May 10.00am-11.00am Do you have an e-reader or iPad and want to learn how to download e-books? Bring along your device, and the library's Jennet Vecchi will show you how to get the most out of it. Bookings required.

Chess for Fun

Monday 14 May & 4 June 7.00pm-8.00pm If you love playing chess, or want to improve your skills, come and join this friendly group and learn new skills from chess coach Jim Cannon. The group covers all ages and levels of experience. Newcomers welcome.



LOL (Libraries Out Loud)

Friday 18 May & 15 June 5.00pm-7.00pm On the third Friday of each month, Watsonia Library gets loud. This is a special teen-only time when table tennis, foosball, Wii, xbox and loud, loud music makes the library rock! In May, we have something special for the girls. Come along for a skin care and make-up session.

Stress-Free Living

Thursday 21 June 7.00pm-8.00pm Are you sick of struggling with your emotions? Are you stressed out, angry, sad, lost? Sarah from Faster EFT (Emotional Freedom Technique) will outline a technique that aims to help you take back control of your health and wellbeing.

Puzzle Morning

Wednesday 23 May 10.15am-11.00pm Preschool children and their parents and carers are invited to tackle our puzzles. Bring a teddy bear and stay for National Simultaneous Storytime. Refreshments provided. Bookings required.

Japanese Cultural Experience Wasabi to Origami

Saturday 26 May 5.00pm-7.00pm Join us at this special family night to celebrate Japanese culture; music, art and cuisine. Includes an origami workshop for adults, Japanese drumming, shamisen playing, Japanese food, and a tea ceremony. Bookings required.

Memories of Our Community My Adventure

Tuesday 12 June 10.30am-12.00noon Spend time chatting with this friendly conversational group over a cuppa, and reminisce about all areas of life. In this session we talk about adventures and risk-taking.

An Evening with Shane Maloney

Thursday 14 June 7.00pm-8.00pm Author Shane Maloney will discuss the trials and tribulations of his character Murray Whelan and how Melbourne has influenced his writing life. This is a session for lovers of crime writing. Bookings required.

Family Games Night

In partnership with Banyule City Council Saturday 30 June 5.00pm-8.00pm Bring the kids along to play foosball, table tennis, Wii, xbox and board games and see a movie screening of Hugo. Light supper served. Bookings required on 9490 4222.

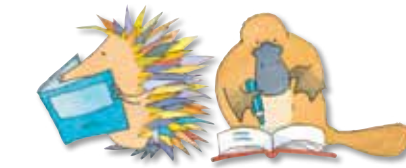
Teen Night

Friday 4 & 18 May Friday 1 & 15 June 5.00pm-7.00pm Hang out at the library, play the computers, Xbox or Wii. Try your hand at the DJ set. All young people aged between 12 and 24 welcome.



FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Beginner Genealogy Class Tuesday 8 May 11.00am-12.00noon Would you like to know where to begin your family history search? Join us to take the first step towards creating your family tree. This session is for beginners. Bring along names of your grandparents and any known dates.



Just4Kids Mother's Day Craft

Wednesday 9 May 3.30pm-4.30pm Come and make Mum something special to celebrate Mother's Day on Sunday.

LAW WEEK

Wills and Powers of Attorney Thursday 17 May 6.30pm-8.00pm Why should you have a Will and what are the do's and don'ts of making a Will? Do you need a power of attorney? Robert Frajsman from the Whittlesea Community Legal Service will answer these questions and more.



LIBRARY WEEK

Library Website Session Tuesday 22 May 11.00am-12.00noon

Learn how to navigate the library website to place holds, create a user name and make lists. Get your questions answered. Bookings required.

Biggest Morning Tea

Thursday 24 May 10.00am-12.00noon Join us for the Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea. Donate a gold coin to cancer research and sample sweet treats from local traders while listening to the dulcet tones of the harp played by Margaret Crichton.



The Life and Times of Jane Austen

Thursday 24 May 7.00pm-8.00pm This entertaining evening will delight both Jane Austen fans and those who have discovered Austen through television or film. Andrea Richards from the Jane Austen Society of Melbourne will give an enlightening talk about Jane Austen and her writings.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

What's Your Eco-Footprint?

Monday 4 June 7.00pm-8.00pm This World Environment Day, join Karen Rosenberg from the City of Whittlesea and learn how to measure and improve how much of the Earth's resources you use to sustain your daily lifestyle.



An Italian Evening

Tuesday 5 June 6.30pm-9.00pm Sing and dance to the wonderful tunes that have been part of the Australian landscape for many years with performers Duo Alitalia. Taste the delightful food that is part of a unique culture famous for its love of family, celebrations and sharing.



Just4Kids World Environment Day

Wednesday 6 June 3.30pm-4.30pm Learn about what you can do with simple things in your home to help the environment, and make a sock puppet.



Budgeting 101

Friday 15 June 2.00pm-3.00pm Need help starting a budget? Get started with help from the Moneyminded program. Take home a calculator and document wallet.

REFUGEE WEEK

A Day in the Life of a Refugee Family

Friday 22 June 2.00pm-3.00pm This fascinating photo display offers insight into the daily life of a refugee family. Join us for afternoon tea as we listen to the music of famous performers from around the world who were refugees (You will be surprised).

An Arabic Community Event Caring for People with Disabilities

Saturday 23 June 2.00pm-3.00pm Do you speak Arabic and need advice relating to health issues or the government agencies to approach for assistance? Join us to find out these answers and more.



SCVNGR (Scavenger) Challenge

Tuesday 1 May-Saturday 30 June Grab your iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch or Android. Download the SCVNGER App from your app store. Visit: www.scvng.com and register for free then complete the Mill Park Library challenges. Win spot prizes.

SCVNGER Demonstration

Friday 4 May 12.00noon-1.00pm Friday 25 May 1.00pm-2.00pm Come along, bring your iPhone, iPad, iPod or Android. See a demonstration of the online SCVNGER game and have a go yourself. Bookings required.

Open Forums

Mill Park Writers Group Wednesday 2 May 6.30pm-7.30pm

Book Groups

Monday 7 May 7.00pm-8.00pm Paranormal Discussion Group Wednesday 9 May 7.00pm-8.00pm

Come along to one or more of these forums to find out about the regular groups run at the library. Bookings required. Refreshments provided.

Just4Kids Gifts for Mum

Monday 7 May 4.00pm-5.00pm Use paper and cloth to make your lovely mum, grandma or other special person a bunch of flowers.

GET CONNECTED

Downloading Podcasts Monday 14 May 1.00pm-2.30pm Podcasts are video and audio files that can be downloaded for free from the internet onto your computer, mobile or other portable devices. Download and listen to audio programs, TV videos, talkback ... even online book chats. Bookings required.



LIBRARY WEEK

Storytime for Adults Monday 21 May 1.00pm-2.00pm

Storytimes aren't just for kids. You're never too old for a story. Enjoy afternoon tea while listening to excerpts from great novels and short stories. Bookings required.

Intro to Skype

Tuesday 22 May 6.00pm-7.30pm

Friday 25 May

11.00am-12.30pm Learn how to communicate online with others using Skype. Learn how to use video, instant messaging or just voice to communicate with family, friends or business contacts online. Basic computer skills required. Bookings required.

iPad Workshop

Thursday 24 May 11.00am-12.30pm Do you have and iPad, want to get one, or are you simply interested in what it does? Attend this hands-on workshop and discover what the iPad is all about. Bookings required.

Stress-Free Living

Thursday 24 May 7.00pm-8.00pm Faster EFT practitioner Sarah Batsanis, will explain how EFT (Emotional Freedom Technique) can help you release stress, emotions and limiting beliefs. Bookings required.

Young Readers

Edward the Engineer Saturday 26 May 1.00pm-2.00pm Author Nathan Lania will talk about his children's book Edward the Engineer and Co. Nathan has worked on some of the world's largest engineering projects and reveals the world of engineering in his book. Suitable for middle to upper primary school children. Bookings required.

Just4Kids Silhouette Portraits

Monday 4 June 4.00pm-5.00pm Using black card and shadowy skills to make a portrait of yourself or someone you admire.



Editing Your Creative Writing

Monday 28 May 6.30pm-8.00pm Are you a budding writer? Have you written stories but want to know how to edit them to make them better? This workshop will give you essential tips on how you can make a good story great. Bookings required.

Teleworking Mum

Wednesday 30 May 7.00pm-8.00pm Author Maria Montesano will talk about her book Teleworking Mum and introduce a new way of working from home. Discover how to save money, save time, have flexibility to look after your family and improve your work/life balance. Books available for sale. Bookings required.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY



Create Your Own e-Book

Monday 4 June 1.00pm-2.30pm To celebrate World Environment Day, we're going to show you how to create your own e-book. Save paper, reduce your carbon footprint, become an e-publisher, and have fun doing it. Bookings required.



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