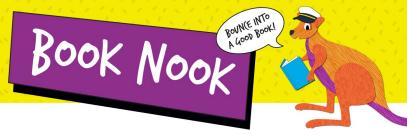
CHIEF MINISTER'S READING CHALLENGE 2024



Issue 9

What's on

Welcome Back to School



Yay! It's the start of Term 3. A big welcome back to school to all our young readers. Let's continue with our reading this term. This week is all

about reading whatever you feel like reading. So, go to the local library and pick out a book that strikes your fancy.

Right now, we have 9584 students registered for this year's reading challenge. Help us reach the target of 10000 registered readers by telling your friends and classmates about the reading challenge and how they can join.

CMRC book tally

To help us track the number of books read, each Friday morning scan the QR code to enter the number of books read that week. Thank you.



Getting the young ones reading



Reading can be a great way for children to relax and travel to new worlds with power of their imagination. Asher, pictured left, is proof that it's never too early to get the young ones reading. He is certainly enjoying his book. Here are just a few

ideas to build and support your child's love of reading:

- Model good reading behavior
- Read together before bedtime
- Get a library membership (it's free)
- Read what they read
- Keep books around.

Please email any other tips you may use with your kids to encourage their reading to cmrc.doe@education.nt.gov.au and we will share them here.

Off the Bookshelf

This week, we are recommending these classic children's books to add to your reading. You can find these at your local library.

First up, we have Where the wild things are by Maurice Sendak. One night Max puts on his wolf suit and makes mischief of one kind and another, so his mother calls him 'Wild Thing' and sends him to bed without his supper. That night a forest begins to grow in Max's room and an ocean rushes



by with a boat to take Max to the place where the wild things are. Max tames the wild things and crowns himself as their king, and then the wild rumpus begins! But when Max has sent the monsters to bed, and everything is quiet, he starts to feel lonely and realises it is time to sail home to the place where someone loves him best of all. Kids aged 4-8 years will enjoy reading about Max and his experiences where the wild things are.



Read the Adventures of the Little Wooden Horse written by Ursula Moray-Williams and illustrated by Joyce Lankester Brisley to learn about the power of love and loyalty. Proud and brave, Uncle Peder had never made so fine a horse before. The little wooden horse loves Uncle Peder like a father and hopes never to leave him. When

the toymaker falls on hard times, the little wooden horse must go out into the world to seek his fortune. But whether he's working in a coal mine, walking the tightrope in a circus, or gathering pirate treasure, the loyal little horse has only one desire: to return to his beloved master's side. This book is suited to readers aged 8-12 years.

Details of what you have done or a book review of your reading during the Chief Minister's Reading Challenge can be sent to cmrc.doe@education.nt.gov.au

Calendar of Events

National Pyjama Day 19 July

International Day of Friendship 30 July

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander 4 August Children's Day







Most borrowed titles on the CMRC booklist

Transition-Year 2

- Gregg Dreise 'Awesome Emu' 2021 Picture book English ISBN 9781925768732
- Sally Rippin Eliza Hull 'Come Over to my House' 2022 Picture book English ISBN 9781761210082
- Breanna Humes 'I Want to Be a Superhero' 2020 Picture book English ISBN 9781925360400
- Davina Bell 'Tomorrow is a Brand-New Day' 2021 Picture book English ISBN 9781925849462
- Dion Beasley Johanna Bell 'Too Many Cheeky Dogs' 2016 2020 Picture book English Kriol Pitjantjatjara ISBN 9781760295394 ISBN 9781760526696

Year 3-4

- Aaron Blabey 'Bad Guys' 2016-2022 Graphic novel English series
- Dav Pilkey 'Dog Man' 2016-2023 Graphic novel English series
- Anh Do 'Pow Pow Pig' 2021-2023 Fiction English -series
- Anh Do 'WeirDo' 2019-2021 Fiction English series
- Andrew MacDonald 'Real Pigeons' 2020-2022 Fiction English series

Year 5-6

- Andy Griffiths Terry Denton 'Treehouse' 2011-2023 Fiction English -series
- Katie Tsang Kevin Tsang 'Dragon Realm' 2020-2022 Fiction English-series
- John Flanagan 'Rangers Apprentice' 2004-2011 Fiction English-series
- Tui T. Sutherland 'Wings of Fire' 2012-2022 Fiction English-series
- Morris Gleitzman 'Digging up Dad' 2022 Fiction English

The most borrowed titles NOT on any CMRC list include:

- Bluey Series (T-Year2)
- Captain Underpants Series by Dav Pilkey (Year 4/5-6)
- Baby-Sitters Club Series by Ann M. Martin (graphic novels by Raina Telgemeier seem most popular these days) (Year5-6)
- Cat Kid Series by Dav Pilkey (Year 4/5-6)
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series by Jeff Kinney (Year 4/5-6)
- World's Worst Series by David Walliams (Year 5-6)
- Tom Gates Series by Liz Pichon (Year 5-6)
- Skydragon Series by Ahn Do (Year 5-6)
- I Survived Series Lauren Tarshis collaborating with numerous authors (Year 3-4/5-6)
- Thea Stilton/ Geronimo Stilton Series (Year 3-4)
- Diary of Minecraft Zombie Series by "Zack Zombie" (Year 3-4)
- Rise of the Mythix Series by Ahn Do (Year 5-6)
- Funny Kid Series by Matt Stanton (Year 3-4)

