

School Holiday Program



Goldfields
Libraries

Monday 21 September
-Friday 2 October

Bendigo,
Eaglehawk,
Heathcote &
Kangaroo Flat
Libraries

Pop-Up Museum Dinosaurs, Megafauna & More

Journey back through time and get up close and personal with touchable fossils, collection objects, taxidermy and activities supported by Museums Victoria educators.

Ages 5-13 and families.

30-minute timeslots available. Book to confirm your spot, or drop-in and try your luck!

Mon 28 Sep, 11am-2pm
Bendigo Library

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Ages 5-12 and families.

Books will be available for purchase and signing after the session.

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Writing & Sketching with Jess McGeachin

We are delighted to welcome wonderful children's author and illustrator Jess McGeachin! Drawing quite literally from a day job at Melbourne Museum, Jess loves sharing stories about hidden worlds, sometimes magical and sometimes real!

Monster Making

What makes a good monster in a story? Are they hairy, scary, or just misunderstood? Jess will help you find monster inspiration in stories to design your own spooky (or very friendly) monster.

Ages 5-8 years.

Wed 30 Sep, 10-11am
Bendigo Library

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Drawn to Nature

Stuck for ideas? The natural world is full of inspiration just waiting to be found. Discover some amazing places and animals, learn how to keep a sketchbook and understand the importance of inspiring others to care for the environment.

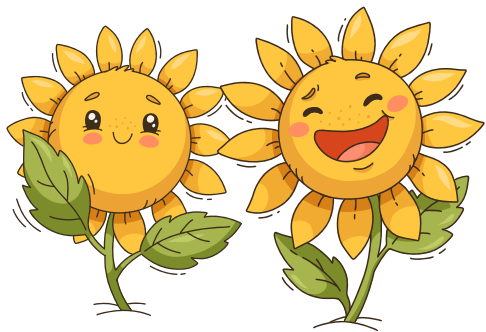
Ages 8-13 years.

Wed 30 Sep, 11.30am-12.30pm
Bendigo Library

Wed 30 Sep, 2-3pm
Kangaroo Flat Library

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Spring Workshops



From Seed to Sunflower Friend

What starts out as a little seed grows into something truly special in Quentin Blake's *The Weed*. Enjoy this whimsical and powerful story before decorating a pot and planting a seed to nurture into a cheerful, and truly special dwarf sunflower friend.

Ages 5-8 years.

Tue 22 Sep, 10.30-11.30am
Kangaroo Flat Library

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Beads of Friendship

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Kangaroo Flat Library

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Thu 1 Oct
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Eaglehawk Library



Simple Flower Press

What is a sepal? A stigma? A petal? Uncover the hidden parts of a flower as you explore plant anatomy, and create a personalised cardboard flower press to take home to preserve flowers and continue your botanical discoveries.

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Eaglehawk Library

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Heathcote Library

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Heathcote Library

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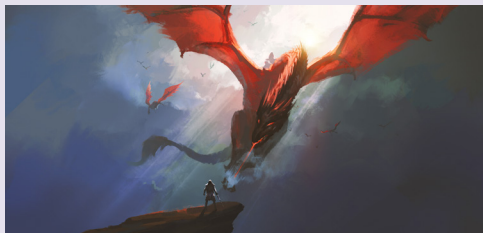
For Teens

Board Games: Roll and Relax

Come along for friendly competition and great company. Play classic favourites or try something new – there are games to suit all ages and skill levels.

Fri 2 Oct, 5-6.30pm

Bendigo Library



Dungeons & Dragons Taster

Join us for a fast and fun D&D taster. Perfect for first timers. Materials provided.

Ages 12-16 years.

Sat 26 Sep, 12-2pm

Bendigo Library

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Movies

Enjoy a family feature film on our big screen. No bookings needed.

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Mon 21 Sep, 10.30am-12.15pm

Fri 2 Oct, 10.30am-12pm

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5449 2700
259 Hargreaves St

Eaglehawk Library

5446 7577
1 Sailors Gully Rd

Heathcote Library

5433 3734
121 High St

Kangaroo Flat Library

5447 8344
23 Lockwood Rd



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Castlemaine
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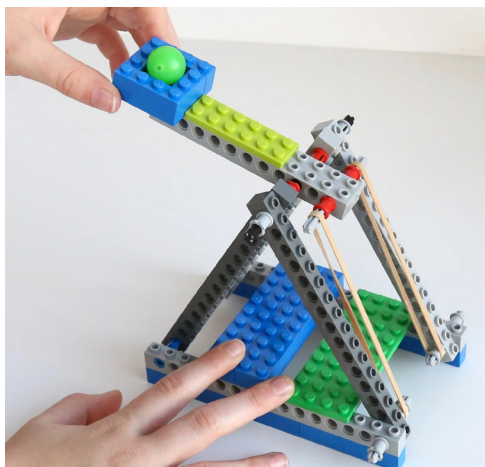
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Generations at Play

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Ages 5+ and grandparents or special older person.

Mon 28 Sep, 10.30-11.30am

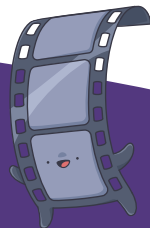
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(PG 8+ 2026)

Wed 30 Sep, 10.30am-12pm
(G6+ 2002)



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5472 1458
212 Barker St



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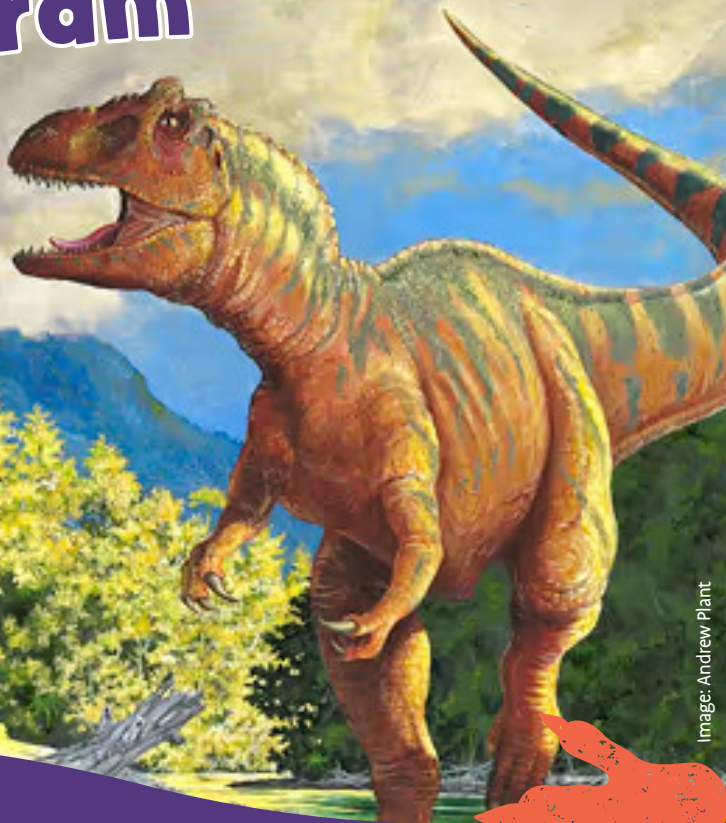


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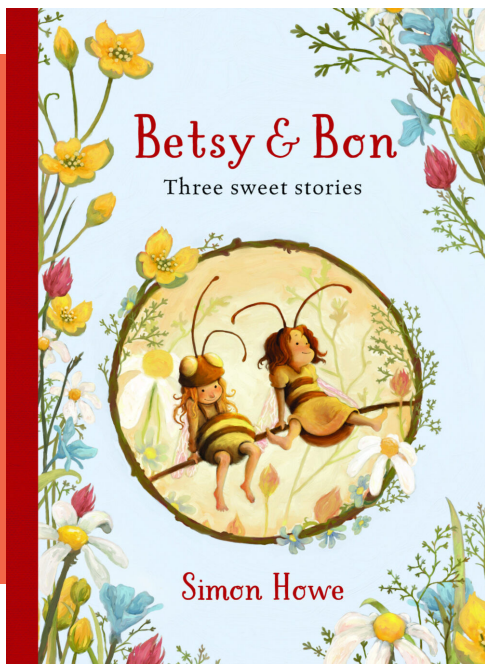
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Book Lovers Unite!

Bring a favourite book to share and connect with other young readers. Swap recommendations, help create a collaborative story, make a cut-and-paste bookmark to take home and discover your next great read.

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Wed 30 Sep
Kyneton Library

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Kyneton Library

Ages 5-13: Thu 24 Sep, 11am-12pm

Macedon & Mount Macedon Community House, 47 Victoria St, Macedon

Ages 9-13: Mon 28 Sep, 2-3pm

Romsey Library

Ages 5-13: Mon 28 Sep, 2.30-3.30pm

Gisborne Library



Wild Creations: Tasmanian Tigers from Recycled Materials

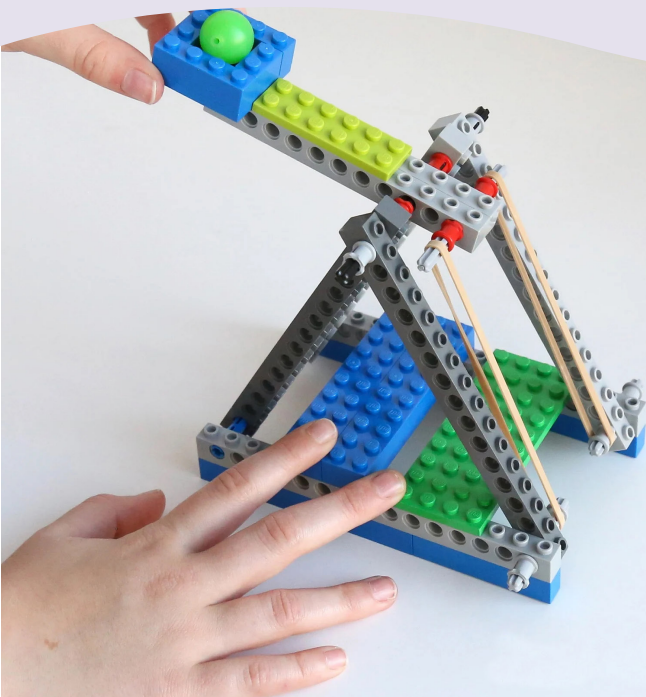
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Romsey Library

**Tue 22 Sep, 2.30-3.30pm
& 3.30-4.30pm**
Gisborne Library

Movies

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Mon 21 Sep, 2-3.45pm

Sat 26 Sep, 10-11.30am
Gisborne Library

Thu 24 Sep, 3-4.30pm
Romsey Library



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Gisborne Library
5428 3962
8 Hamilton St

Kyneton Library
5422 1365
3 Baynton St

Romsey Library
5429 3086
98 Main St

Woodend Library
5427 2074
Cnr High & Forest Sts

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STEM Club: Un-making

Join us for an exciting STEM Club designed to spark curiosity and inspire enthusiastic tinkerers.

Ages 7+ years..

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Pyramid Hill Library Agency

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Boort Library Agency

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Thu 24 Sep, 11am-12pm

Boort Library Agency

Mon 28 Sep, 11am-12pm

Elmore Library Agency

Tue 29 Sep, 11.45-12.45pm

Pyramid Hill Library Agency

Wed 30 Sep, 10.30-11.30am

Wedderburn Library Agency

Wed 30 Sep, 1.30-2.30pm

Inglewood Library Agency



Axedale

Axedale Public Hall
94 McIvor Road

Elmore

Elmore Athenaeum Hall
62 Michie Street

Boort

Boort Resource and
Information Centre
119-121 Godfrey St

Dingee

Dingee Railway Station
Bendigo-Pyramid Rd

Inglewood

Inglewood Community
Neighbourhood House
Inglewood Town Hall Hub
20 Verdon St

Pyramid Hill

Pyramid Hill
Neighbourhood House
Unit 5-8/43 Kelly St

Wedderburn

Wedderburn
Community Centre
24 Wilson St

Phone 5449 2790



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