

MEDIA RELEASE

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SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Library Information Week May 22 - 28

During Library Information Week (May 22-28) residents can find out why public libraries are an essential part of community life.

City of Ryde Libraries Manager, Jill Webb, said: "Libraries are places of learning and leisure where people in our community can acquire knowledge, be entertained, access technology, connect with others and where children develop key literacy and life skills."

Library Information Week Events

Monday 22 May | Ryde Library | 10.00 – 11.30am

Biggest Musical Morning Tea

Join us for a fantastic Biggest Musical Morning Tea event and help raise money for the Cancer Council of Australia. There will be special performances by the Ryde Public School Choir and West Ryde Public School Orchestra ... and of course, a deliciously *b-i-g* morning tea, including celebration cake, to enjoy. Gold coin donation. 9952 8352.

Tuesday 23 May | Ryde Library | 1.00 – 3.000pm

InFocus: Tracing your family tree

Come along to this beginner's class and learn tips and tricks to make your family history journey more enjoyable.

Wednesday 24 May | Top Ryde City Shopping Piazza | 10:30am

Outdoor Storytime The Cow Tripped Over the Moon

Children across the country will sit down together and read the same book at the same time! An exciting reading of the popular picture book "The Cow Tripped Over the Moon" for all ages.

Thursday 25 May | Ryde Library | 6.30 – 8.00pm

Author Talk Historian Tom Griffiths in Conversation

Join eminent historian and award winning author Tom Griffiths for a fascinating conversation about his new landmark book *The Art of Time Travel*. Light refreshments provided. Gold coin donation. Bookings www.cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

Every day of the week

STEAM | West Ryde Library

STEAM (Science | Technology | Engineering | Art | Mathematics) is an interactive learning program for children 3 – 12 years using visual and hands-on activities to engage them in fun ways with technology and discovery.

Every week of the year, your Ryde Library Network offers the following services:

- 200,000 item collection, including 18,000 eBooks, 13,000 DVDs and 49,000 items in the kids collection
- Community language collection 12 different languages including Chinese, Korean and Tamil
- 1,700 programs and activities run each year, including sessions for children (storytime and toy library), seniors, special interest groups, author talks
- Local studies and genealogy
- Special events Author Platforms, Musical Morning Teas, and InFocus seminars
- Free access to computers with internet, Microsoft Office, scanning and printing facilities
- Free March to a Million reusable coffee cup (while stocks last)
- Free Membership 72,000 members
- Free WiFi
- 24/7 free eLibrary
- Home Library Service
- Inter library loans

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