

Mātauranga Ruapehu District Council Libraries

...where adventure begins!

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Monthly newsletter of what's on & what's new in your local library.



Mātauranga: noun; 1. education 2. knowledge 3. wisdom 4. understanding 5. skill

We hope you enjoy reading Mātauranga. Remember we would love to receive feedback and suggestions from our readers on what you would like to see in future issues.

We have some "budding" authors in the Ruapehu District. Our short story competition, in conjunction with the New Zealand Post Book Awards, was a big success. Mr Dick Ward, who judged the competition, said the writing was of a very high calibre. Congratulations to all those who entered. The winners are listed in Kidzone.

The winner of the NZ Post Awards was "The 10pm Question", by Kate De Goldie, a young adult novel. We have all the books that were nominated for the Children's Book Awards, so come into the Library and check out these exciting titles.

Kids – look out for more fantastic activities happening in the Library during the July school holidays.

Kamu

Featured Author—Susan Lewis

Susan Lewis is the best selling author of a number of books held in the Ruapehu District Libraries. Her most recent novel is titled "Out of the Shadows". Susan's books appeal to a wide ranging audience as she is considered to be an expert at combining mystery, romance and suspense in one title. She divides her time between her homes in Los Angeles and London.

Out of the Shadows, by Susan Lewis



Susannah Cate's husband was sent to prison three years ago and life has been a constant struggle for herself and their teenage daughter. Worried by her mother's unhappiness, 13 year old Neve takes matters into her own hands.

When Susannah's best friend Patsy discovers what Neve is up to, she immediately lends her support. However the spectre of horror is all the time pacing behind the scenes.

TOP 10

Have you read the most popular General Fiction at Ruapehu Libraries during May?

1. A Lost Wife's Tale, Marion McGilvary
2. Sahara, Clive Cussler
3. Golden Fox, Wilbur Smith
4. Missing, Susan Lewis
5. With Prejudice, Andrew Rosenheim
6. Heart and Soul, Maeve Binchy
7. Love Changes Everything, Rosie Harris
8. A Vintage Affair, Isabel Wolfe
9. The Piano Teacher, Janice Y K Lee
10. The Lost Recipe for Happiness, Barbara O'Neal

Ohakune Book Group

The first Ohakune Book Group was held at the Library on 13 May at 7.30pm, followed by supper.

The meeting was small and relaxed in format, but there was lots of interesting discussion regarding who were the attendees' favourite books and authors and why. The group also discussed books they read recently. It was agreed to start reading books that were out of participants' comfort zone and talk about these at the next group.

The next Book Group will be held Tuesday 16 June at 7.30.

Contact Donna at Ohakune Library if you would like to join the book group or find out more information.

Did you know?

- ... There are only eight planets: Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune - Pluto is no longer a planet!
- ... The world's best selling book is the Bible, selling more than six billion copies world wide.

Contact the Team

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Have a great month from Kamu, Shane, Claire, Judith, Donna, Moira, Pam and Kelly

KIDZONE



What's on?

The mid-winter school holidays are coming up. Thanks to King Country Energy for sponsoring these awesome free activities:

Congratulations!

Well done to the winner and other participants in the Short Story Competition held in conjunction with the New Zealand Post Book Awards.

The winners were:

Ohakune

Senior (11-16 Years)

Winner: Jordan Tinsley Yates

Runner Up: Michaella Simpson

Junior (6-10 Years)

Winner: Jayden Short

Runner Up: Kalani Gilbertson

Taumarunui

Senior (11-16 Years)

Winner: Hannah Smit

Runner Up: Troy Malcolm

Junior (6-10 Years)

Winner: Davina Zimmer

Runner Up: Zoe Karam

Make a Mural
Come and join in creating a mural that will be on show at the Library!
Come to Ohakune or Taumarunui Library on Wednesday 15 July at 10.30am and make your mark!

Craft Table

Available all holidays at Ohakune Library.

Come and make something cool to remember your winter holidays.

Story Time with Marilyn
Wednesday 8 July at 10.30am
at Taumarunui Library.

New Books

Junior Fiction

The King in Reserve, Michael Pryor

Junior Non-fiction

The Jesus Encyclopedia, Lois Rock

Philip's Guide to Flags of the World

Young Adult

Eclipse, Stephanie Meyer

New Moon, Stephanie Meyer

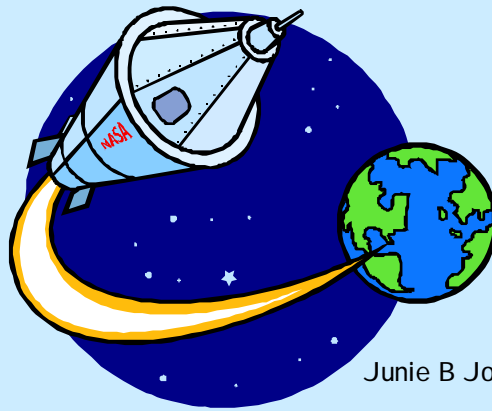
Nina of the Dark, Ken Catran

Easy Readers and Picture Books

Junie B Jones and Her Big Fat Mouth, Barbara Park

A Wild West Ride, Mary Pope Osborne

I Want a Story, Tony Ross



Space Quiz

Bring your answers to Ruapehu libraries by 30 June to be in the draw to win one of three great prizes.

All answers can be found at the Libraries.

1. What is the name of the largest planet in our solar system?
2. Who was the first man to walk on the moon?
3. What does NASA stand for?
4. How many known moons does Jupiter have?
5. What is a comet?

Space Word Find

Find These Words	S	H	Q	G	K	D	V	X	A	O
Star	S	T	K	F	M	O	O	N	H	G
Earth	D	R	A	E	Y	R	V	K	L	A
Mars	S	A	I	R	S	C	B	Z	O	L
Planet	T	E	D	O	B	N	E	I	L	A
Galaxy	V	N	Y	C	W	D	L	I	U	X
Rocket	S	Q	D	K	F	O	H	O	E	Y
Sun	S	D	T	E	N	A	L	P	B	U
Moon	U	D	J	T	E	P	M	C	F	L
Alien	N	G	I	A	E	S	M	A	R	S