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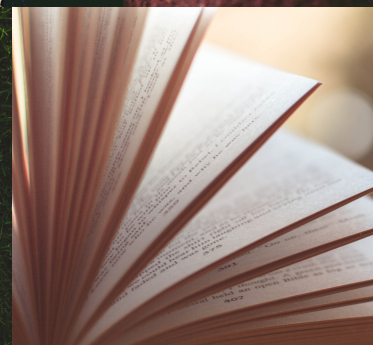
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Newsletter



NEW SHARED READING CIRCLES

Term 2 will see two new Shared Reading Circles in the Macedon Ranges: Kyneton and Romsey



RESEARCH ON BENEFITS OF SHARED READING

Latest research from the UK on the benefits of Shared Reading, for specific groups and whole population.

NEIGHBOUR DAY

31 March 2019

I participated in a Neighbour Day event on Friday at the Lancefield Mechanics Institute organised by Lancefield Neighbourhood House. This event brought together all the clubs and groups in the town: CFA, CWA, sports clubs to name a few, and invited all recent arrivals and not so recent arrivals to attend. But it did more than introductions and giving information it provided a space, a time and a focus for people of the town to get together. Maybe that is all we all need, a space, a focus and, of course, food, to enable us to belong.





SHARED READING GROUPS IN TERM 2

in the Macedon Ranges

*"Think before you
speak, read before you
think."*

Fran Lebowitz

All groups are free but ask a gold coin donation. Reading supplied.

Mondays:

Woodend Neighbourhood
House
10 am - 11:30 am

Kyneton Community Learning
Centre
1:30 pm - 3 pm

Tuesdays:

Lancefield Neighbourhood
House
10 am - 11:30 am

Thursdays:

Romsey Neighbourhood House
6pm - 7:30pm

RESEARCH AND IMPACT

News from The Reader Inc

The Reader, a charity based in Liverpool, has been running Shared Reading Groups for over 10 years. They work closely with councils, schools, and the NHS to bring literature to all sorts of people, in all sorts of settings. Shared Reading is often seen as an attractive intervention because of its simplicity and its low cost. Groups in the UK have been measured for impact and success. You can read about them here <https://www.thereader.org.uk/research/>

Philip Davis, one of the researchers sums up why Shared Reading is so successful *"People need the emotional place offered by literature, in which to think together about the joys and pains of human existence."*

Coming to a Shared Reading Circle, just once a week, improves mood, sense of wellbeing and often changes set patterns and routines.



*"Never trust
anyone who has
not brought a book
with them."
Lemony Snickett*