



Manawatu Toy Library

Term 2, May, 2014

Newsletter

Term Dates:

Term 2, 2014

Monday, May 5 – Saturday, July 5, 2014

Term 3, 2014

Monday, July 21 – Saturday, September 27, 2014

Opening Times:

Monday, Thursday and Saturday,
9.30am-12.30pm in the
Primary School Term.

The Toy Library is closed during
school holidays and
public holiday weekends.

The library is closed Saturday, May 31 and Monday, June 2.

Tena koutou katoa!

Greetings to all families, groups and friends, of the Manawatu Toy Library.

Toy Library is moving

After 14 years at Queen Elizabeth College the Manawatu Toy Library is on the move. We have had notice from QEC that from the year's end, at the latest, the building we occupy will no longer be available. As part of the school's plan to upgrade their buildings some buildings will be removed and this includes the block in which the library is located.

This signals a major change for the toy library and the first task is to locate a suitable place from which the library can operate. We ask all our members and friends to think of possibilities. Your ideas are valuable to us. Please share any suggestions with a committee member or bring them to a librarian at the library. Written suggestions could be emailed to manawatutoylibrary@gmail.com or posted to Manawatu Toy Library, P O Box 1467, Palmerston North.

We cannot tell where the library will be next year but we must find the best solution possible. Thank you for helping.

We sincerely appreciate the generosity shown by QEC to the Manawatu Toy Library in accommodating the toy library for the past 14 years. During this time the library has been able to provide for more members each year than at any earlier time.

AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Manawatu Toy Library will be held on Saturday, May 24, 2014, starting at 1.00pm at the toy library, 29 Edgeware Road.

There are currently 5 members on the committee but there are places for 8 members. Newcomers will be welcome. All families are warmly invited to come to the meeting on May 24. We must have the required numbers to represent our membership in order to hold the meeting. This year is an important year to be part of the future direction of the toy library. Members, please come to the meeting! You will meet other members and find out more about how the toy library operates.

Toy Library Federation of New Zealand

We were happy to welcome Chris Jelley, The National Manager from the Toy Library Federation of New Zealand, to our library on Monday, April 14.

The TLFNZ is co-operating with Massey University on a research project. We may have Massey marketing students visiting library sessions later in the year.

Funding Support

We gratefully acknowledge the funding provided by the following organizations:
Eastern and Central Community Trust
Community Organisation Grants Scheme, COGs
Palmerston North City Council
Page Trust
Palmerston North Community Services Council
Lottery Community
Milverton Trust
Kingdom Foundation
Thomas George Macarthy Trust
On behalf of all members we appreciate the work of the Grants Co-ordinator, Anne-Marie Langvad, and the Treasurer, Kushla Bashford in filing these funding applications. These grants help to keep the library fees lower. The annual subscription was last changed at the AGM in 2012.

Library Layout Changes

There has recently been a small change in the layout in the library. You will find the toys in the Co-ordination and Construction ("CR") area in the entry room while the Music and Communication ("CM") section is now in the main reception room. This will improve the visual display and increase the space available for visitors in the main room during the busy winter months.

Feature Toy



3641 Alphabet Puzzle

Wooden lower case alphabet puzzle, with raised pieces in beautiful colours.

New Toys

New Toys to check out at the library include:
Pick and Mix People, 3629, here there are 36 cards to make up 12 characters, for mixing and matching.
Where's Mama?, 3631, animal photos for matching the parent and baby, for over 3 years.
Ball Track, 3634, Wooden block ball ramp with sound, for 3 years and over.
Big Bus Puzzle, 3637, the big red, double decker bus as a floor puzzle.
Giant Polydron, 3635, a large construction set for creative, small children.
Baby I-Gym, 3640, activity for babies lying on their back or for tummy time.
Mobile, 3643, a musical mobile that plays 7 classical melodies.
Qubo Construction, 3644, an early construction set with large pegs.
Geomagnetic Construction, 3645, sea animal shapes and blocks for easy magnetic construction for 1 year old and over.
Mix and Match Owls, 3647, a beautiful mix and match set of colourful owl parts, suitable from 2 years.
Activity Garden, 3648, large walk-in activity centre.

Library Members' Records

Next time you visit the library please check that the details held on your membership card at the toy library are correct. We always like to hear of new family members.

Contact details for the Toy Library

Street Address:

29 Edgeware Road, Palmerston North.

Postal Address:

P.O.Box 1467, Palmerston North.

Phone:

06 3567383 (information line, messages are cleared after library openings).

Email:

manawatutoylibrary@gmail.com

Website:

www.manawatutoylibrary.org

Remember the AGM, May 24.

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa