



TEA TREE GULLY TOY LIBRARY

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A GAME A DAY, KEEPS THE CHILLS AWAY

Autumn is a beautiful time of the year. The leaves are changing colour and the weather is getting cooler....here comes term 2. The weather seems just right to sit down together with some board games. This term we would like to strengthen the skills board games promote. There are quite a few academic qualities to board games, however, the social skills are just as significant. These skills were identified in the article "The Benefits of Board Games" www.scholastic.com/.../article/creativity_play/

benefits_board_games as "communicating verbally, sharing, waiting, taking turns and enjoying interaction with others. Board games can foster the ability to focus and lengthen your child's attention span". This term we would like to encourage these skills by allowing every child to borrow an extra game with your borrowing selection. Let's get practicing!!!

A big thank you goes out to those volunteers, their husbands and the committee who worked so tirelessly on Saturday the 9th of May at the Bunnings

BBQ. Of course we were also very excited to receive donations from Bakers Delight and Coles, Tea Tree Plaza. We raised \$1100, this money will go towards the new selection of toys that Lyn made at the toy fair in Melbourne. The toys purchased can be seen pictured on our front counter and will be hopefully be on our shelves to play with soon.



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Woolworths there's something for everyone and now with new digital membership it's even more versatile. Entertainment Books are valued at \$65, pay cash or use Mastercard or

Visa to pay at the desk. 20% of each book sold will help our fundraising efforts. Books are being snapped up fast, so to join this year's happy customers, buy now!

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School Holiday Closure

The Toy Library will be closed from Thursday July 2nd at 3pm and will re open Tuesday July 21st at 10am

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LET'S HEAR FROM HEATHER

How long have you worked in the toy library? -I have worked at toy library since 2014.

What is your favourite toy in the toy library? - I like puzzles and a the maths game Rumikub.

Top toy library tip? - Always borrow as many different toys as possible so your child gets to try lots of different things.

What was your favourite toy when you were a child? - my favourite toys were a chemistry set, a train set, dolls, but mostly books as I loved to read (still do!)

What is your favourite pastime? - I enjoy card making, reading books, knitting and travelling.

Why do you enjoy working in the toy library? - The great company of the other volunteers, seeing the kids playing with the toys and getting to "play" with the toys also.

What are your roles and responsibilities in the toy library? -Checking toys when they are returned, enrolling new members, loaning toys to members and processing new toys.

What has changed in the toy library during your time? -New library system to catalogue and loan toys.

What did you want to be when you grew up? -I really wanted to be a librarian.

What AFL team do you support? - Carlton

What one (or two) words would you use to describe yourself? - I think I am easy going and friendly.



OUT IN THE COLD

Have you ever wondered why we can't let you in or out of our back door? Believe it or not, it is not the Toy Library Volunteers just making it up. It is Library Workplace, Health and Safety Policy

that people go through and exit the front doors as a "door count". This allows the library to know how many people are in the building if there is an emergency. It's great to know that

there is a plan in place to keep everyone safe and accounted for. We thank you for your understanding and help in this matter.

THANKS SO MUCH!!

One of our most dedicated Thursday volunteers Gillian has decided to retire to do some much needed grand parenting. Gillian has no doubt seen a great many changes to the Toy Library in her 25 years. She has a great many friends and will

be deeply missed. We wish her well for the future and know that she will find her grand parenting rewarding and enjoyable.

