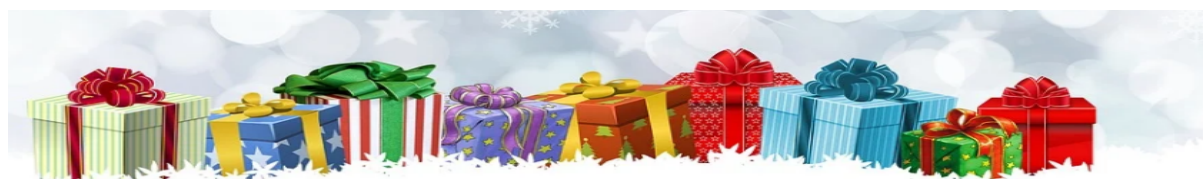


Friends of Horowhenua libraries November 2022



Your Friends of Horowhenua Libraries committee wish you a happy and relaxed festive season. We hope you are all able to enjoy a peaceful and relaxing summer.

**Thank you all for your support during 2022.
We look forward to catching up with you all in 2023**



There will be no December FOHL morning tea gathering but our library staff have been organising many events that you are invited to attend during December. This one is a timely presentation for the holiday season...



Wednesday, December 14, 2022 | 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

This cutting-edge Internet Health and Safety workshop is designed specifically for adults and senior citizens.

John Works with senior citizens who are the victims of cybercrime and in some instances victims who have lost their life savings. Join this session and learn how to protect your hard-won financial assets

**This session will be followed later in the evening with a session for Parents who may be concerned about their children's use of devices connected to the internet.
5.30 - 7.00 pm**



There will be, of course, another fantastic Summer Reading programme for the kids.

The kids are invited to “choose your own adventure” by selecting and completing three activities from the Reading Adventure cards. The card is then returned to the library to choose a prize and pick up a new card to continue the adventure. No registrations are required. Adventure cards are available from 12th December.

If you have little ones visiting don't miss our visiting storyteller -

Dino Yipadee

Dono will be visiting our libraries on Tuesday January 10th.
He will be at Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom from 10.30 - 11.30am
And Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po from 2 - 3.00pm/

Don't forget the ***Happy mail Crafternoons*** on Tuesdays until Dec 13th. Be as creative as you like to make a card and bring a smile to our much loved elders this Christmas. There are Happy Mail boxes at all three libraries.

Meet Street - the last one of the year will be on Wednesday 14th Dec. restarting on Mondays only on 9th January.

The last ***Quiz night*** for the year will be on 14th December

The last ***Friday Concert*** for the year will be on 16th December

Have you called in to the re-opened Library Cafe yet?

I have had several reports that the coffee is great.

What a lovely place to stop for a break during the silly season to rest your feet and recharge while you are Christmas Shopping

Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom turns five!

In some ways it seems like just the other day Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom opened its doors. On November 18th this amazing facility celebrated its first 5 years in operation.

Congratulations to everyone who has been involved in the running and management of such a great community asset.



Coming up in the New Year -



The Great Summer Book Sale

The sale is scheduled from Monday 16th January to Friday 20th January. As usual we will be asking for assistance with the set up.

on the afternoon of Sunday 15th January from 1.00pm and volunteers to staff the sale during the sale days. If you are able to help and would like to volunteer please contact Tony Straw at tonystraw@xtra.co.nz and specify the times that you would be available.

The sale will be open during library opening hours each day from 9.00am until 5.00pm. Despite rampant inflation book prices remain the same \$1.00 each for adult books and .50c for children's books. What a great way to stock up on summer reading and not have to worry if your book gets sand in it from the beach!

Are you borrowing as many books as you used to?

Time to start making a reading list for summer. My idea of an idyllic holiday is lying on the side of the river under a shady tree with a good book. (as long as you don't forget the insect repellent).



There are so many great titles to dive into in our libraries. Remember - overdue fees have now been abolished so if it takes you while to get through your choices or you are away and get them back late it won't cost you \$\$\$ in overdue fees. The only time you would be charged is if you don't bring the book back at all. But of course none of you would fail to return the books you borrow... eventually!

Commemorative library Cards are now available

These special edition cards commemorate the 10th birthday of Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po. They are available from Te Takere at a cost of \$20.00. Each card will have an automatic \$25.00 credit attached to it which may be used to pay for library services such as rental books, photocopying etc.

This could be a great Christmas Present idea for the bookworm in your family

**Christmas Delight, an exhibition of works by local artist
Carolyn Hokianga.** Now in Te Takeretanga o Kura Hau Po



Carolyn has always enjoyed craft making and being able to donate/gift her creations. Making Christmas trees has brought so much joy over the last 18 years donating a number of the trees to charities - *Ronald McDonald House, Pink ribbon ladies, Levin Fire Station & Horowhenua Hospital shuttle to name a few.*

Happy Reading Everyone