

The Word

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Renovating a library is like turning the page to a brighter chapter for the whole community.

What's on at your Library

11 March - Free Hearing Checks - Hearing Australia

9:00am - 1:00pm - Meeting room 1

17 March - St Patrick's Day

23 March - Modern Cloth Nappy Workshop

10:00am - 12noon - Meeting room 1

30 March - Down Old Perth Road - Local History guided walk

10:00am - 11:30am - Meet in Library foyer

JP - first 4 Wednesdays

10:00am - 11:30am - Meeting room 2

Mahjong - every Tuesday

12:30pm - 2:30pm - Meeting room 1

6:00pm - 7:30pm - Meeting room 1

Craft group - every Friday

9:00am - 12noon - Meeting room 1

For the most up-to-date information, please check the library's website and social media for any changes or updates to our events.

Library and Customer Service Integration Project update

Work has begun on the Library and Customer Service integration project, with Bassendean Memorial Library being refurbished to become the future home of the Town's Customer Service team. Once complete, the library will offer a convenient one-stop-shop for local government services.

Improvements being made include a new meeting room where the foyer previously existed, a refreshed library front desk to improve safety and security, a dedicated Customer Service counter, and reconfigured back-office areas for Customer Service and Community Development staff.

Works began in early February and are expected to continue through to late March, with some noise and minor disruption possible at times. Clear signage will be in place and friendly staff will be available to assist.

For updates and more information call 9377 8000 or email us at mail@bassendean.wa.gov.au

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Opening Hours

Monday 9am - 5:30pm
Tuesday 9am - 5:30pm
Wednesday 9am - 5:30pm
Thursday 9am - 5:30pm
Friday 9am - 4pm
Saturday 9am - 1pm



Closed Sundays and Public Holidays

Wall of Love Poetry Competition – Winners Announced!

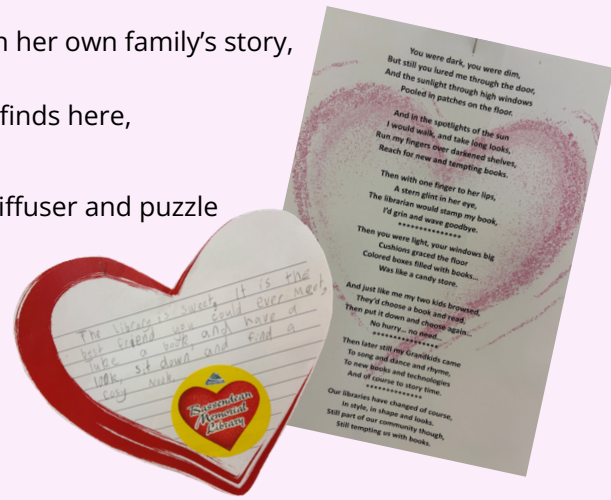
Thank you to everyone who entered our Wall of Love poetry competition. We've absolutely adored reading all your heartfelt and thoughtful poems - you have certainly shared the love and brightened our library! After much reading (and rereading!), two poems especially stood out to us. We are delighted to announce our winners:

- ♥ Di – Her poem beautifully weaves together the history of our library with her own family's story, showing how we have grown together over the years.
- ♥ Evie – Her poem celebrates her love for the library and the comfort she finds here, exploring her curious mind through the magic of books.

Di will be receiving the body lotion set and Evie will be receiving the reed diffuser and puzzle as a special thank you for their wonderful submissions.

A huge congratulations to our winners - and a big well done to all our amazing patrons who submitted entries. Your creativity and dedication haven't gone unnoticed, please pop in to collect your Community Cinema vouchers as a token of our appreciation!

With lots of love,
Bassendean Memorial Library



New Books and DVDs

Check the Library website for New Titles in Stock - updated weekly.

Adult Non-Fiction



Earthquake : the election that shook Australia / Niki Savva
The easy lunch box



Countdown to riches : 21 days of wealth-attracting habits / Rhonda Byrne

Facing infinity : black holes and our place on Earth / Jonas Enander

Japanese haiku for cat lovers Art therapy for every day / Nadia Paredes

The cancer roadmap / Dr Liz O'Riordan

Retire life ready / James Wrigley



Adult Fiction

The East Wind / Alexandria Warwick

I did warn her : a novel / Sian Gilbert

The irregular / Gerald Seymour

My husband's wife / Alice Feeney

What happened that night / Nicci French

Bellagrand / Paullina Simons

Remember that day / Mary Balogh

In your dreams / Sarah Adams



Junior and YA

All your wishes / Laura Sieveking

Better in black : ten stories of Shadowhunter romance / Cassandra Clare

The rebel and the rose / Catherine Doyle

Spot goes to a party / Eric Hill

Just Jaime / Terri Libenson



DVDs

Neighborhood watch Materialists

F1 : the movie

Caught stealing

Georgie & Mandy's first marriage

Mission: impossible. The final reckoning

Jane Austen wrecked my life

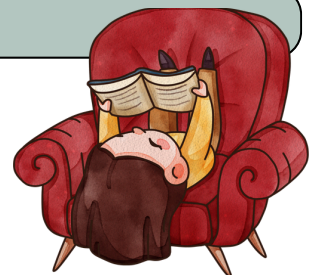


Book Review

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The mysterious case of the missing crime writer
by Ragnar Jonasson

Murder, mystery and a disappearing crime writer all come together in the new Golden Age crime novel from Sunday Times bestseller Ragnar Jónasson. Part crime fiction, part mystery, part police procedural – a unique and fun genre mix with bookish themes to satiate the most avid readers.



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We're coming,

Bassendean Library

Join us and get your FREE 15-minute adult hearing check:
Wednesday 11th March

Meeting room 1

9:00am-1:00pm

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Please see Library staff to book your FREE hearing check

Conditions apply under the Australian Government Hearing Services Program.



Rhymetime & Storytime Update

We're excited to be making some improvements to the library! To allow these renovations to take place, Rhymetime and Storytime will be on pause from early February to late March.

We know how special these sessions are for families, and we sincerely apologise for the temporary interruption.



While we're closed, you may enjoy visiting Bayswater Library or The City of Swan Public Libraries, which offer lovely Rhymetime and Storytime sessions for your little ones.

Thank you for your understanding; we can't wait to welcome you back very soon!

Justice of the Peace

Witnessing services for March.



4th 10am - 11:30am

25th 10am - 11:30am



KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

SUPERVISION REQUIRED FOR UNDER 12S



Parents or guardians must be present and supervise children under the age of 12 years old in the library at all times, including supervising children's resource and internet use.