



West Australian



Young Readers' Book Awards

Newsletter Term 1 2008

PO Box 256 GUILDFORD WA 6935

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday February 13th at 4:15 PM

****New Venue for 2008****

To be held at **Saint Maria Goretti Primary School**

Corner of Stanton Road and Morrison Road, Redcliffe

Display of listed Books *Participation tips*

Purchase stickers, bookmarks and our new poster

WAYRBA for 2008

Welcome to another year of WAYRBA reading and participation. We hope you all had a great start to 2008 and are keen and eager to promote this programme with the children in your care.

Enclosed with this newsletter is everything you need to participate in the 2008 West Australian Young Readers' Book Award.

Bookmarks, Stickers and Posters

A student from Mercedes has created our poster for 2008. Stickers are red in colour. All stationery will be available at our AGM or use the order form enclosed.

Stationery orders must reach us by **March 21st No late orders will be processed.** The first round of orders will be packed on March 12th and sent by courier or post immediately after that date. *Please note - Australia Post postage costs will be charged for orders that are not sent through the school courier system.*

How to Vote

Voting is very easy. Photocopy the voting slip after adding the name of your Library/School. Place a voting form into each of the books from the lists or leave a number of voting forms near your display of WAYRBA books.

Once students have voted please sign and sort the votes into alphabetical order by author's surname and forward to -

**Attention: Votes Coordinator
WAYRBA, PO Box 256
GUILDFORD 6935**

OR - If your school uses the Government School or Catholic School courier drop it in the courier bag addressed to

Government Schools -
Courier # B119
Ashdale Primary School
Westport Parade
DARCH
Attn: Chris Begovich - WAYRBA

Catholic Schools -
St Maria Goretti Primary School
64 Morrison Street
REDCLIFFE

Attn: Rosemary Bennett - WAYRBA

You can send votes in at any time. We do appreciate getting them early as it makes counting easier for us. *Please do not staple the votes together.* Votes must be sent to the above addresses by August 29th.

Selection of Books

There are two lists - one for Younger and one for Older Readers. Readers are able to read and vote for books from either list, as they have no prescribed year levels

REMEMBER - The books on the list have been nominated by the young readers of Western Australia and it is important that you **carefully consider your selection policy** before purchasing. Individual authorities are expected to make their own decisions regarding any controversial aspects of books purchased for their readers.

You do not have to purchase all the books to participate in the voting.

Nominations for 2009 Lists

Encourage your readers to nominate books they have enjoyed for the 2009 lists by completing a Nomination Form and forward it to WAYRBA.

Dates to Remember

WAYRBA AGM - February 13th 4:15 PM
St Maria Goretti Primary - *All Welcome!*

Stationery orders close - March 21st

Voting closes - August 29th

Presentation Night - Friday October 24th.

Please consider participating in our Presentation Night. We are looking for schools to present a reader's theatre, dance, musical item, dramatic representation or anything that you can dream up that relates to one of the books on the 2008 reading list.

Students love the Presentation Nights (which are free) and we would love to continue to make them available. Please contact us if you have any queries.

WAYRBA Web Site

To find any information relating to WAYRBA check out the site at

www.wayrba.iinet.net.au

If you wish to contact us by email please use this email address -

wayrba@iinet.net.au

WAYRBA AGM

Don't forget our AGM at **Saint Maria Goretti Primary School** on Wednesday, **February 13th at 4:15pm**. Come along and meet our surprise guest speaker.

We will have the books on display as well as helping with a few ideas for promoting the WA Young Readers' Book Awards in your library. WAYRBA stationery will be available for purchase at the AGM.

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We would like to thank *The Singing Tree*, *Cottesloe* and *Westbooks* for their continued sponsorship.

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If you are looking to purchase books that are on the 2008 reading lists, both bookshops will be most happy to help you.