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Celebrating Library Week in Broome

Library and Information Week gets underway this Monday, 20 May, and Broome Public Library is celebrating with several fun events.

Library and Information Week runs from 20–26 May and will include National Simultaneous Storytime and the launch of Broome Beach Books for 2019.

Shire of Broome Library Coordinator, Sally Eaton, said National Simultaneous Storytime was happening on Wednesday 22 May, with Broome children joining others around Australia to read the same story at the same time.

“National Simultaneous Storytime aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books,” Ms Eaton said.

“This year’s title is *Alpacas with Maracas* by Matt Cosgrove with the event kicking off at 8.45am for a 9am start and everyone is invited to attend.”

Broome Beach Books starts on Wednesday 22 May at 11am at Cable Beach then runs each Wednesday from 11am to 11.45am until October.

“A Library staff member will be at the top of the stairs at Cable Beach each week with a selection of books just perfect for reading by the ocean,” Ms Eaton said.

“People are invited to take a book, read it at their leisure wherever they want, and return it to either the Library or the beach and swap for another beach book.

“There are no due dates or fines – it’s like a library without walls, so if you were hesitant to take our regular library books to the beach, why not grab one of our special beach books and enjoy them anywhere?”

Library and Information Week aims to raise the profile of libraries and information service professionals in Australia and showcase the many and varied resources and services that libraries provide to the community.

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