

# RIDE THE READING BUS



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Grab a seat on  
the bus and get  
reading these  
holidays

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To find out more: Cambridge Library 07 823 3838 | Te Awamutu Library 07 872 0055

# TAKE OUR READING CHALLENGE

**Book your seat on the bus for  
Summer fun and the chance to  
do some reading every day**

## How it works:

- ☀️ Pick up some books from your local library and do up to 3 check-ins over the holidays to earn a stamp. Check-ins are optional but encouraged. See page 8 for details.
- ☀️ Pick some of our challenges and complete them to earn a stamp.
- ☀️ Bring in your booklet, or proof you have completed a challenge, to get a stamp on pages 3 and 4, where you record your progress towards an invitation to the Finale Parties.

# KIA ORA WELCOME

**Each check-in, or challenge  
you complete gets a stamp**  
– You Need 6 Stamps to earn  
An invite to one of our finale  
parties!

Get on board the Reading Bus and make sure you read something or improve your reading skills in some way, every day of the holidays. It only takes a few minutes, and it's fun and rewarding.

## PLEASE NOTE:

Due to the current outbreak of Covid-19 parts of this reading program may be altered or adapted to suit changing levels and restrictions that may be in place over the Summer holidays.

This could result in families not being able to access the Libraries for check-ins, to present booklets and get stamps. You can send in proof of completing a challenge, with a photo, by email to [waipalibraries@waipadc.govt.nz](mailto:waipalibraries@waipadc.govt.nz). Record completed challenges in your booklets and keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates about the parties and other aspects of the program.

**Check-ins, Finale Parties and library visits. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Parents and caregivers will need to show their vaccination pass in order to allow children to enter the library and/or attend the Finale Parties.**



# DURING THE HOLIDAYS

## DON'T SLIDE

### Dear parents/caregivers

#### Thank you for helping your child/ children participate in Ride the READING BUS!

By supporting them with their reading and the challenges you will help them:

- ✿ Maintain and improve their reading skills
- ✿ Grow their love of books and reading
- ✿ Become confident and comfortable library users
- ✿ Have fun and enjoy their holidays
- ✿ Go back to school in 2022 with an advantage - no slide in reading ability over the holidays

The Summer Reading Challenge is a mix of library and home-based activities. It can be done pretty much anywhere so take it on holiday if you like - you can still do most of the activities. Don't forget to take couple of books along too!

(Please see page 1 for information relating to Covid-19.)

There have been a lot of obstacles to learning this year. Keep your reading and progress on course for next year by doing the Summer Reading Challenge.

Reading is the foundation for learning and the most important thing to keep on top of and practice regularly.



### Here are a few tips to encourage your child's reading

Make reading fun - make it an event by creating a family reading night with treats as a reward.

- ✿ Make reading a family ritual - read regularly with your children, a small amount each day is all it takes.
- ✿ Set an example - they are more likely to read if they see you reading too.
- ✿ Praise and encourage your child - encourage them to pick their own books or give them a choice of different books. If your child starts a book but doesn't finish it, that's okay. Praise them for trying or getting through a difficult book.
- ✿ Explore what the libraries have to offer. We are not just about books - we also have movies, puzzles, audiobooks and databases to explore.

**We hope to see you in the libraries during the Summer holidays and the coming year.**

**Your friendly library staff at Waipā District Libraries**

# RECORD YOUR PROGRESS

**To take the bus to one of our Finale Parties!**

Cambridge Library 10.30am – 12.00pm and  
Te Awamutu Library 1.30pm – 3.00pm on  
Friday 28th January 2022

(These dates may be subject to postponement  
or cancellation if the library is unable to  
open or is operating under restrictions)

**I promise to read every  
day over Summer**

**Signed:**

**As you finish a check-in or  
challenge record it on a bus  
ticket!**

Write the name of the challenge,  
tick the form of proof you have  
given us and collect a stamp for  
each one you do.

When you have all 6 you will be  
invited to our Finale Parties.

**Remember:** You can send in  
proof of completing a challenge,  
with a photo, by email to  
[waipalibraries@waipadc.govt.nz](mailto:waipalibraries@waipadc.govt.nz).



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*Congratulations!*

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*Congratulations!*

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*Congratulations!*

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*Congratulations!*

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# WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN READING?

Write down the title and author of what you have been reading.

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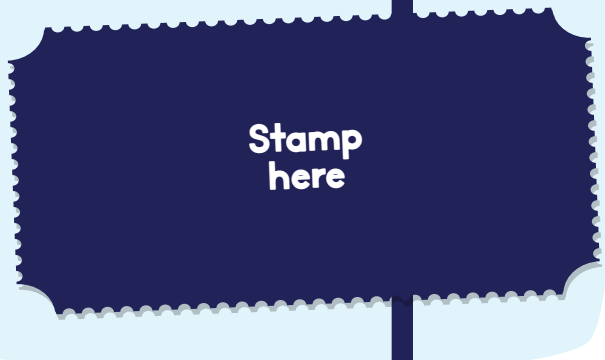
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**Get another of your six stamps if you read 10 or more books during the school holidays!**



# CHALLENGE YOURSELF

When you finish a challenge show us, in person or online, and earn your stamp!

Each of these tasks represents a chance to earn stamps!

Here are some challenges you can do to earn the six stamps you need to get an invite to our Finale Parties-

- ☀ Choose some books from the Library, read them and then bring one along to a check-in with a librarian. **See page 8 for details.**
  - ☀ Take the Reading Bingo Challenge on **page 12.**
  - ☀ Play Reading Scrabble, to improve your reading and spelling, on **page 13.**
  - ☀ Choose a cookbook, find a recipe, read it carefully and then make it!
  - ☀ Make a bookmark, of any kind, to represent your favourite book or book character.
  - ☀ Read a few newspaper articles then write your own article to report on something that is happening in your family or neighbourhood – it doesn't have to be true!
  - ☀ Redesign the cover of your favourite book. Don't forget to put the title and author on it, just like the original one, so we know what book you have illustrated.
- ☀ Are you a culture vulture? Take a trip across the world and try out some virtual Museum visits – they are cool and packed full of reading and learning. **See page 14 for details.**
  - ☀ Would you like to be able to introduce yourself in Māori? Learn how to write your own Pepeha. **Go to page 11 for instructions.**

Don't forget to bring in what you have done or made, to show us and earn your stamp. If, for any reason, you can't get into a library you can still show us what you have done by taking a photo (the cake or bookmark you have made or a photo of a page you have completed in your booklet) and sending it to us at [waipalibraries@waipadc.govt.nz](mailto:waipalibraries@waipadc.govt.nz).





# CHECK-INS AT YOUR LIBRARY

Visit the library to choose some books. Read them and then come back and talk to a librarian about your favourite book and get some help with choosing some more. All books discussed at check-ins must be from the library. (Any book will do if the Libraries are closed).

## Check-in times: Monday to Friday only

Check-ins are no longer than 10 minutes per child/family

9.00am - 9.45am  
(No check-ins at this time Tuesdays only)

10.30am - 11.45am  
1.00pm - 2.45pm  
3.30pm - 4.45pm

No check-ins on Saturdays or late nights

To ensure you don't have to wait please call us to book a time slot. If you are more than five minutes late you may forfeit your spot.

Please call us to let us know if you are running late or not going to make the appointment and we will do our best to re-book you as soon as possible. We do not guarantee re-booking on the same day.

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Note: In the event of the library being closed or operating under restrictions check-ins may be done by phone or other non-contact means. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for details.



# BOOK REVIEWS

Fill in more than 3 reviews to earn a stamp and get closer to an invitation to the Finale Parties!



Book title

Author

Illustrator

I loved / disliked

I found this book: (Circle the emotion that best suits the book)

Funny

Sad

Exciting



Scary

Interesting

Other



I give this book (colour in the stars to rate the book out of five)



Book title

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ALL DAY PASS

Book title


Author

Illustrator

I loved / disliked

I found this book: (Circle the emotion that best suits the book)

Funny Sad Exciting Scary Interesting Other



I give this book (colour in the stars to rate the book out of five)



Book title


Author

Illustrator

I loved / disliked

I found this book: (Circle the emotion that best suits the book)

Funny Sad Exciting Scary Interesting Other



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Stamp here

# KO WAI KOE

When people formally introduce themselves in te reo, they often use a mihi or pepeha. This is a way of telling people where you come from and who your whānau (family) is.

Fill in the blanks below and write your own mihi or pepeha. This one is basic and easy to learn off by heart, but you can include much more in your mihi or pepeha if you wish. Have a look online for more examples.

## Introduce yourself

A mihi is a greeting while a pepeha is a form of introduction that establishes identity and heritage. Within both mihi/pepeha we acknowledge the mountain and river we identify most with, where we come from and where we live now, who our whānau are, and finally our name. Fill in the blanks on the dotted lines to write your own introduction.

### Tēnā koutou katoa (Greetings to you all)

#### My mountain is

Ko ..... te maunga

#### My ocean/river/lake is

Ko ..... te moana/te  
awa/ te roto

#### I am from

Nō ..... ahau

#### My family name is

Ko ..... tōku whanau

#### My first name is

Ko ..... tōku ingoa

### Nō reira, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā tātou katoa.

(And so, greetings to all of you)

# READING BINGO

What do you like to read?

Try reading five of the categories on the board - you choose. Colour in the corresponding square (or squares) when you finish. You might get two at once if you're clever!

To get BINGO! you need to complete a row of five, either vertically, horizontally or diagonally and bring your booklet to the library to earn your stamp.

See page 1 for options if the Libraries are closed or operating under restrictions.

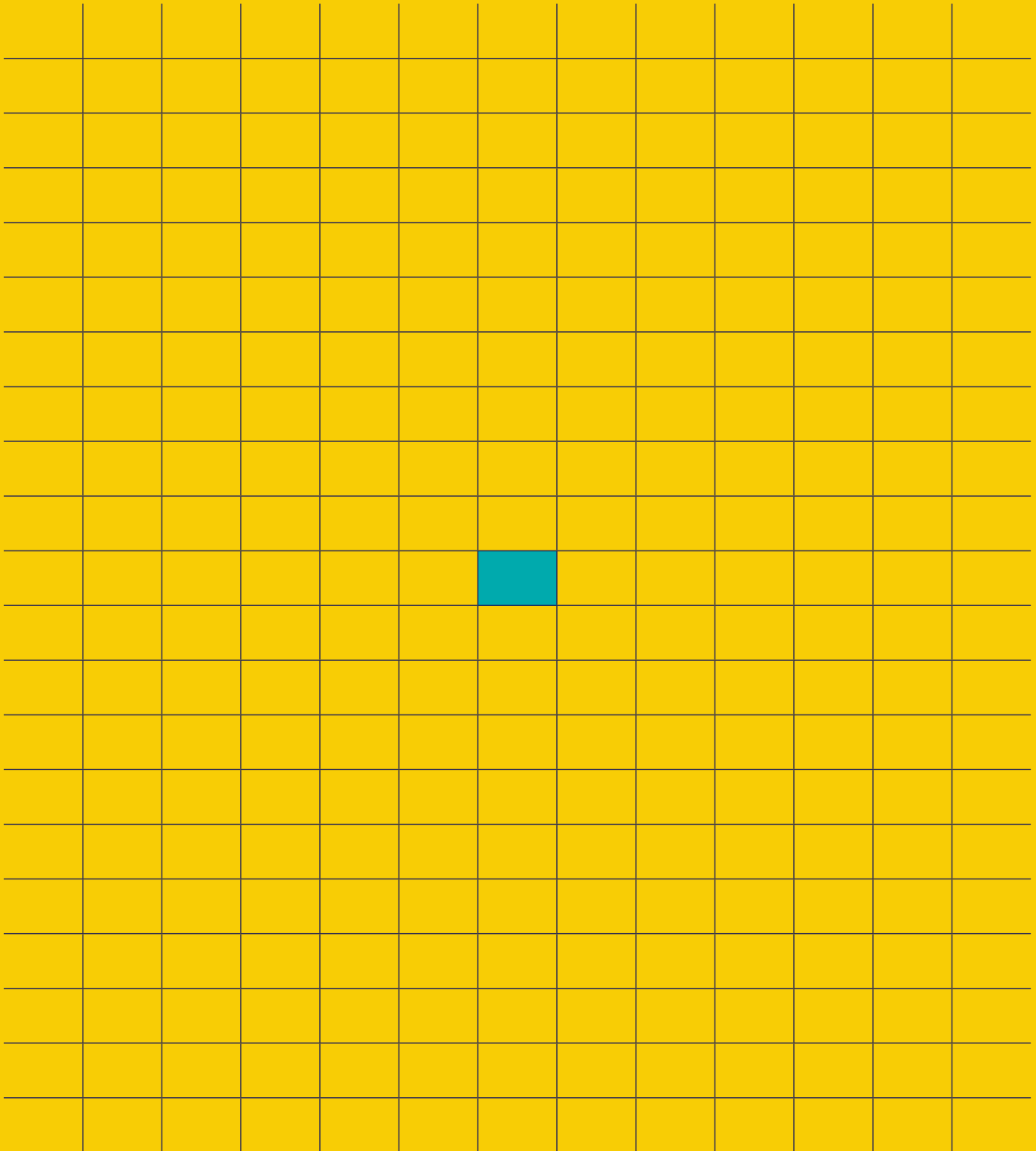


Read a magazine	Read in bed	Read for 30 minutes	Read under a tree	Read to a parent/caregiver
Read to a sibling	Read a book that is older than you	Read a non-fiction book	Read a fiction book	Read a book with a colour in the title
Read an audio book	Read a picture book	Make up your own	Read a graphic novel	Read a poem
Read while on the way to somewhere	Read a book by a New Zealand author		Read in your pyjamas	Read to your pet
Read a book on your own	Read a newspaper	Read wearing sunglasses	Read a folk tale, fairy tale or myth	Read a children's classic

# READING SCRABBLE

Try to read  
the word your  
opponent  
chooses!

This game is played without letter tiles. The player who goes first must use the blue square somewhere in the first word but can put in any word they want, six letters or under. The next player builds a word, six letters or under, off the first player's word. This continues, taking turns until there is no more space to add words. Normal Scrabble rules for word placement apply. The last player to be able to place a word wins.



# VIRTUAL TOURS

Virtually visit some museums and galleries online from around the world!



## We have some awesome museums and art galleries in Aotearoa / New Zealand

- ☀ **Tāmaki Paenga Hira Auckland War Memorial Museum**  
<https://www.aucklandmuseum.com/your-museum/at-home>
- ☀ **Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki**  
<https://www.aucklandartgallery.com/page/virtual-tours>
- ☀ **Te Papa, Wellington**  
<https://www.tepapa.govt.nz/learn/kids-and-families>

## Check out some amazing buildings, museums and galleries around the world

- ☀ **The Midway Museum the aircraft carrier - San Diego, USA**  
<https://www.midway.org/>
- ☀ **The Smithsonian National Museum of History virtual tours**  
<https://naturalhistory.si.edu/visit/virtual-tour>
- ☀ **Boston Children’s Museum - Boston, USA**  
<https://www.bostonchildrensmuseum.org/museum-virtual-tour#%60>
- ☀ **Orsay Museum - Paris, France**  
<https://www.petitsmo.fr/explorer>
- ☀ **The Louvre - Paris, France**  
<https://louvrekids.louvre.fr/>
- ☀ **MoMA - online collection of modern and contemporary art**  
<https://www.moma.org/magazine/tags/190>
- ☀ **Houston Space Centre**  
<https://spacecenter.org/video-explore-space-center-houston-in-a-new-way/>
- ☀ **Versailles Palace, Paris, France**  
<https://artsandculture.google.com/project/versailles>
- ☀ **Roald Dahl Museum**  
<https://www.roalddahl.com/home/kids>
- ☀ **Google - Arts and culture**  
<https://artsandculture.google.com/project/street-view>

Visit one of these museums /galleries/places online and take a tour.

Write down three things you have discovered and bring your booklet in to the library to earn a stamp.

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Ask a parent before going on to any of these sites and before accepting anything online e.g., “cookies”.  
For more advice go to [netsafe.org.nz](https://netsafe.org.nz)

Have you enjoyed participating in the Summer holiday program?

# RIDE THE READING BUS

Your journey will have helped you to maintain and grow your reading skills. We hope you will go back to school with more confidence and reading ability.

If you have completed six challenges and shown us the proof, please bring this book into your library to collect your invitation to a Finale Party

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10.30am - 12.00pm

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1.30pm - 3.00pm

Friday 28th January 2022

In the event the library is closed or operating under restrictions in January 2022 please check our Facebook page for details of postponement or alternative events

