

More Ideas

- make a pod-cast of your students interviewing parents and/or community members about their favourite books
- send the URL link of your school site to the National Reading Day website for other interested schools to access.

All activities are designed to promote the basic skill of reading and to support schools and teachers to be part of this exciting day.

Activities featured on the National Reading Day website have been developed by the Australian Literacy Educators Association (ALEA) and the Australian Association for the Teaching of English (AATE).



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GETTING THE BASICS RIGHT
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National READING Day

2 September 2009

A Story Sharing Safari

Get involved in National Reading Day on 2 September 2009: A Story Sharing Safari

Great Prizes!

Register online at www.nlnw.edu.au to receive up to date information and key dates for participation. Schools that participate in National Reading Day activities and complete a survey about their involvement will be in the running to win great prizes!



What is National Reading Day?

National Reading Day is a key event during National Literacy and Numeracy Week, which this year runs from 31 August – 6 September 2009. It provides an opportunity for all school children, wherever they are in Australia, to be involved in a national reading based activity.

By getting involved in National Reading Day you will have access to quality teaching resources, excellent networking opportunities and the chance to win great prizes for your school.

This year's theme for National Literacy and Numeracy Week is *Getting the Basics Right*. A good start is to encourage students to develop a love of books. Participate in National Reading Day activities and share the joy of reading.

What do you have to do?

It's easy! Simply share what your students are reading and enjoying under the theme *A Story Sharing Safari*, with parents, other schools and the wider community! A wide range of resources and suggestions on great ways for you and your students to do this are available on the National Reading Day website www.nlnw.edu.au.



The Story Sharing Safari

National Reading Day follows the Children's Book Council of Australia's Book Week. The Book Week theme for 2009 is *Book Safari*. Many schools already celebrate children's literature during this time. In 2009 National Reading Day will provide opportunities for schools to extend and further develop activities begun during Book Week. These reading activities will culminate on National Reading Day on 2 September when schools are invited to go on a *Story Sharing Safari*.

Don't wait until September to get ready. Start planning for a great National Reading Day and your *Story Sharing Safari* right now! Get involved by visiting www.nlnw.edu.au and be in the draw for great prizes.

Ideas

Go to the National Reading Day website for great ideas and support on ways to share your students' work within the school and to a wider community through media such as websites, pod-casts, e-books and more traditional methods. There are also links to find out about authors and the short listed books for 2009.

Ideas to start planning include:

- ❁ have a local author tell/read a story
- ❁ act out a readers' theatre
- ❁ have a local Indigenous or multicultural group tell/dance a story
- ❁ create a website that showcases the texts students have read
- ❁ have a local high school drama group retell a story as a short drama for their peers or for a local primary school