



**Welcome to Week 3 for 2023 at The Lighthouse Toowoomba.**

Week 3 in '23 full of GLEE! Preparations are in full swing for INTERTWINED exhibition opening Friday March 10, Aunty Barb has been 'weaving' her magic at Harlaxton State School, Toowoomba Grammar School students have already been to The Write Gallery, and we are counting down until our **FIRST BIRTHDAY.**



## Donation sparks joyous emotion!

What does it look like to receive a really REALLY incredibly generous donation (to the tune of \$34 666.66 no less!) It looks like this - tears of joy because it means we can commit to amazing plans and deliver for this community in 2023.

Thank you [@kingofthemountainhorserace](#) [@mort\\_co](#) Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We are already busy mapping out best use of the funds across our programs and look forward to sharing details over the coming weeks. (photos credit: Tamara Silvester)



## Floral posters for Friendship Day

Valentines Day comes early to the Endeavour Foundation this Friday as they put their own spin on it with 'Friendship Day'. We delivered a bunch

of our floral posters to their Learning and Lifestyle centre, for Endeavour friends to hand out to each other as part of Friendship Day! Their delighted smiles upon our visit were absolutely infectious and we loved sharing the poster love with them.

Do you have a special someone you would like to gift a floral poster to on Valentine's Day, or rather 'Friendship Day'? We still have posters available on our website [www.thelighthouseotoowoomba.org](http://www.thelighthouseotoowoomba.org) or come in and see us in person.



## TGS in the Gallery

It was wonderful to have the senior art class from Toowoomba Grammar School (TGS) come into The Write Gallery last week. The students had the privilege of hearing from two local artists and honing their skills in a different space. We loved seeing the amazing talent of these young men. Stay tuned to see these artists in the future – they are definitely going places!



Join us for some fun as we turn  
**ONE!**

Time flies when you are having fun and oh my gosh The Lighthouse is already one! It is incredible to believe we have now had our doors open for twelve months. We are so incredibly grateful for the support we have received in our first year of operation and we would love you to join us for a cake and cuppa to help us celebrate this marvelous milestone.



## On Fridays we write...

Write Friday is a collaboration with the Queensland Writer's Centre to provide dedicated time to write for anyone that has a story to tell.

We meet every Friday, like the title suggests, from 10am-2pm, and write using the Pomodoro method – 25 minutes of silent writing, followed by a 5 minute break, then repeat (with a break for lunch).

Our writers are all working on amazing projects! There are mystery, children's, memoir, poetry, and romance writers represented. You could be one of them! Whatever your current passion project, come and spend some quality writing time with us.

We would love to see you. Bring a gold coin donation to thank and assist The Lighthouse, your writing tools of choice, and your beautiful imaginations.

## Dates For Your Diary in 2023!

# THE LIGHTHOUSE WEEKLY

<p><b>MONDAY</b> Multiculture Homework Club all students &amp; caregivers 4:00pm to 6:00pm</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b> Dept Youth Justice Degustation Alliteration 10:00am to 12noon</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b> World Building 13 to 17 year olds 4:00pm to 6:00pm</p>	<p><b>Term 1</b> Intertwined 5 to 8 year olds school group bookings 9:00am to 10:00am</p>
<p><b>Term 1</b> Intertwined secondary school group bookings 11:00am to 12noon</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Twinkles Book Club especially for toddlers 9:00am to 10:00am</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> Miss Miller's StoryTelling Workshop 8 to 12 year olds 3:30pm to 5:30pm</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b> 1000 words... Illustration Workshop 9 to 13 year olds 3:30pm to 5:30pm</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY</b> Twinkles Book Club especially for toddlers 9:00am to 10:00am</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b> Write Friday Old Writers Centre Adults 10:00am to 2:00pm</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b> The Zine Scene 12 to 14 year olds 3:30pm to 5:00pm</p>	<p><b>The last SATURDAY</b> of the Month Toowoomba Writers Group 2:00pm to 4:00pm</p>

## Zine Scene

TUESDAYS 3:30-5PM

Free for 12-14yr olds

[www.thelighthouseoooomba.org](http://www.thelighthouseoooomba.org)

Did you know a Zine is a tiny magazine! How cool is that right? It can be filled with all types of articles, images and stories, you name it! If you are ready to get creative and let your inner editor-in-chief skills fly, then it's time to get publishing with us (no experience required, just your commitment to have FUN!). Join us for our free 6 week workshop, suitable for ages 12-14 years.

Where: The Lighthouse Toowoomba

When: Tuesday 21 Feb - 28 Mar

Time: 3:30pm-5:00pm

Register now

<https://www.thelighthouseoowoomba.org/items/th-e-zine-scene>



It really is true what they say, a picture is worth a thousand words. Sometimes seeing something truly is better for learning than having it described. We are so excited to bring you this wonderful workshop that gives children aged 9-13 years an insight into illustrating children's picture books. If your little one is an aspiring artist and loves to draw then he or she will truly benefit from our FREE 6 week course where we explore story character building through illustration. This workshop is designed to help children develop drawing, painting and illustration skills while experimenting with character traits and personality.

Where: The Lighthouse Toowoomba

When: Thursday 23 Feb - 30 Mar

Time: 3:30pm-5:30pm

Register now

<https://www.thelighthouseoowoomba.org/items/1000-words---illustration-101-workshop>



Miss Miller's Story Telling - don't miss out!

Places are still available for Miss Miller's Story Telling! Don't miss the chance to be part of this wonderful story telling group. The redoubtable Miss Miller has an incredible ability to unlocks the literary talent of children of various ages and stages as they let their creative side run free.

[Book now!](#)





The saying 'It takes a village to raise a child' could never ring more true to us. We are here to help support our multicultural Toowoomba community by offering a homework club to all who speak Kurdish, Kurmanjo and Arabic.

All students and caregivers are welcome to attend.  
Cost: Free

When: Every Monday 20 Feb to 27 March

Time: 4pm - 6pm

Register at

<https://www.thelighthousestoowoomba.org/items/multiculture-homework-club>



## World Building

Seeking brilliant, like-minded, creative teens who are ready to explore a fantastic world of fantasy and sci-fi! Come and create new worlds in our FREE 6-week workshop where you will be introduced to roleplaying games and cooperative storytelling.

Love a good superhero or mighty villain story? Learn how to wrangle your ideas into great backdrops to create your own!

More of a D&D player who prefers to embark on your own epic quests and levelling up? Then we will equip you with the skills to create your very own exciting setting.

When: Every Tuesday (21 Feb - 28 Mar)

Time: 5pm-6pm

Register now!

<https://www.thelighthouseoowomba.org/items/world-building>



# DIGGING UP THE PAST

**Writing a historical novel?  
Prepare with Jane Smith!**

- Learn how to find sources of historical information that will be useful in writing historical fiction or non-fiction
- Evaluate the relative merits of different sources and problems associated with them
- Learn how to incorporate your historical research into your writing.

This is a 3 hour intensive course on how to research, write, and expand your historical novel and research. Jane is a published archivist, librarian, editor, and local celebrity who will guide you with confidence. All proceeds support free literacy workshops for children at The Lighthouse Toowoomba.

**4TH MARCH 2023 | 10AM-1PM**  
**TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA THE LIGHTHOUSE WEBSITE**  
 The Lighthouse Toowoomba | 126 Margaret Street, Toowoomba



# EDITING FOR WRITERS

**Are you a future novelist?  
Prepare with Jane Smith!**

- Learn how an editor can help you polish your manuscript
- Learn some Word tools that will help the editing process run more smoothly
- Learn to recognise common writing errors and practise fixing them

This 2 hour workshop will equip you with the confidence to prepare your manuscript so you can get the best value from your editor. Jane is a published author, archivist, librarian, editor, and local celebrity who will guide you with confidence. All proceeds support free literacy workshops for children at The Lighthouse Toowoomba.

**5TH OF MARCH 2023 | 10AM-12PM**  
**TICKETS AVAILABLE VIA THE LIGHTHOUSE WEBSITE**  
 The Lighthouse Toowoomba | 126 Margaret Street, Toowoomba CBD



Thank you!

On the eve of our first birthday we would like to take this opportunity to shout from the rafters the sincerest of thank yous to all our supporters! A special mention to every single individual, group, family and organisation who have gifted books to our one-way library! We have now received literally thousands of titles and given away hundreds and hundreds of these! The one-way library is becoming a treasured place within the community and we feel privileged to open worlds to, and grow the minds of, little readers.

*"I have always imagined that Paradise will be a kind of library."*

— Jorge Luis Borges



**We have wheels but we need wings!**

We were super lucky to acquire this fantastic modified magical bike at the end of last year! Who needs a branded van when you get about town on a two-wheeler with a twist?! But we would like to magnify the magic and dial her up with a pair of wings! Are you, or do you know, an engineer or

perhaps a DIY dynamite who can assist us?  
Please get in touch at  
[emily@thelighthouseoowoomba.org](mailto:emily@thelighthouseoowoomba.org) if you can  
assist.

## Twinkles Book Club

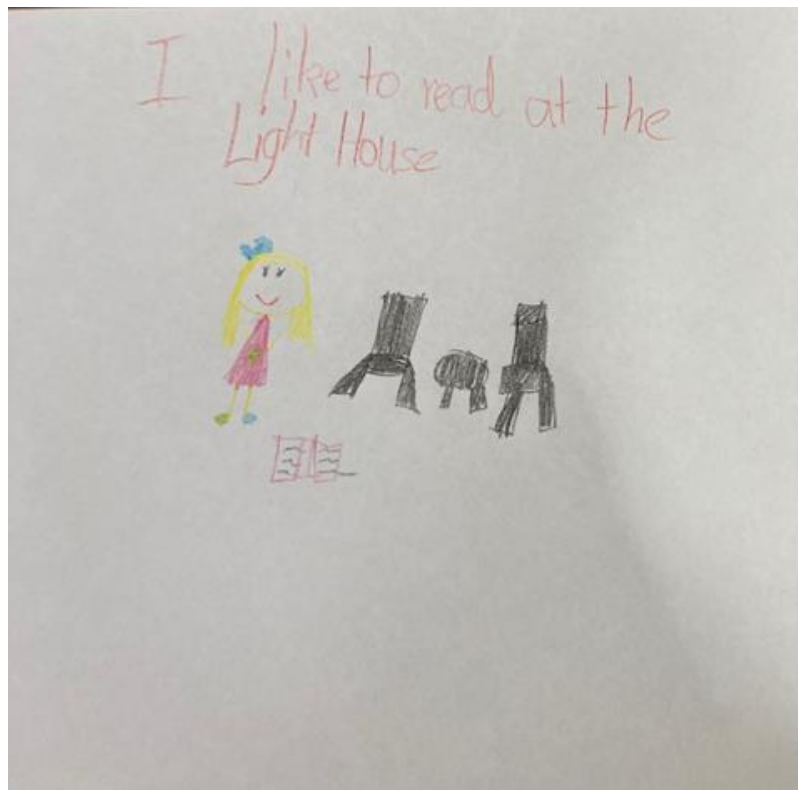
Every Wednesday and Friday wonderful volunteers share  
the joy of reading to the communities youngest future  
leaders at Twinkles Book Club!

There is no need to book, just pop in anytime between  
9am and 10am



We would love to hear your stories or reviews!

We know we live in a community of creative people. If you  
have any news or items, you think we may be interested  
in please send them through to  
[media@thighthouseoowoomba.org](mailto:media@thighthouseoowoomba.org) We love  
contributions from our community.



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We acknowledge the original Indigenous storytellers of the land on which we work and tell our stories. We respect the ongoing relationships with water, land, and story by the people of this place, their elders, their ancestors, and their emerging leaders. We acknowledge that sovereignty was never ceded.

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