



DVTL News

November/December 2009

'TIS THE SEASON TO GET JUMPING AT JETS GYM

The toy library sent out invitations to our end of year party at Jets Gym last month.

If you missed the 6 November RSVP deadline, please text Jackie on 0404 681 504 or email

admin@diamondvalleytoylibrary.org.au before Wednesday, 25 November, and we may be able to squeeze you in.

This is a free event for members thanks to successful fundraising activities during the year.

When: Sunday 29 November

Where: Jets Gymnastics

12 Brisbane Street, Eltham

(behind KFC & Bristol Paint)

Time: Session 1 – 9.30am to 10.30am

Session 2 - 10.30am to 11.30am

The jumping, tumbling and balancing will be followed by a sausage sizzle picnic lunch at Eltham North Adventure Playground, Wattletree Road, Eltham North.

End of Year Prize

You could be the lucky winner of a \$100 Coles Myer gift card! Our end-of-year prize will be drawn at the Jets Gym party.

Remember, your name will go into the hat equal to the number of duties you have completed this year. A huge thank you to everyone who helped at the toy library sessions in 2009.

END-OF-YEAR RETURNS

Please return your toys at the end of the year so they can be checked and cleaned at the stocktake. Please return toys by: Tues 1 Dec, Fri 4 Dec or Sat 5 Dec.

OPENING EVERY SATURDAY: A TRIAL

Due to the popularity of our toy library, we are trialling opening EVERY Saturday during term time, from 10.30am to 11.45pm.

Opening EVERY Saturday will also give busy and working mums and dads in our toy library membership another option for choosing toys and to complete a duty.

FUNDRAISING CATALOGUES

Thank you to all who put in orders through the toy library's fundraising catalogues. DVTL will receive 20 per cent of the value of orders from the manufacturer to buy new toys for our library. When the orders are delivered to us in mid November we will contact you about collecting them from the toy library.

ANNUAL STOCKTAKE

Do you have an hour to spare? We would love some help with our yearly stocktake. This is our chance to check toys are in good condition and clean them. Any assistance you can provide would be fantastic.

The stocktake days are:

Monday 7 December from 10.30am-1pm, 3pm-6.30pm

Tuesday 8 December 3.00pm-8.30pm

Wednesday 9 December 11.30am-8.30pm

Friday 11 December 10am-5pm

Saturday 12 December 10am-5pm

To book your time, even an hour is appreciated, please write your name on the sign-up sheets in the toy library room.

SIGN UP FOR FRIDAYS

We are short of members to do duties on Fridays. If you can do an occasional Friday duty, please put your name down. As we sometimes have only a couple of people doing duty on a Friday please allow extra time to return or borrow toys as you may need to wait.

HOLIDAY BORROWING

Would you like to borrow over the Christmas period? A list of large toys available for borrowing will be in the toy library room soon. Members will be able to reserve a maximum of 3 large toys.

Costs will be \$5 for 1 toy, \$8 for 2 toys or \$10 for 3 toys. However, if you attend for at least one hour during the annual stocktake week, your borrowing is free!

Holiday borrowing can start on Tuesday 1 December if your reserved toys are in the toy library room. Toys will be due back when we open for 2010 on Tues 3 Feb, Fri 6 Feb or Sat 7 Feb.

LOOKING FOR RESPONSIBLE PEOPLE TO HELP

Have you been a member of the DVTL for a while? Have you considered becoming a Responsible Person on Duty (RPD)? We need RPDs to open and close the borrowing session and help those on duty learn the ropes.

We also need to sign up more RPDs if the toy library is to continue opening every Saturday next year.

If you think you can help out, we will run you through the steps of the borrowing session. If you are interested and think you can step up to the job, call Tamara on 0439 036 144.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR COMMITTEE?

The DVTL Annual General Meeting will be held on

Tuesday 23 February 2010.

This is your opportunity to put up your hand and join the committee. All positions will be open for election. The positions are: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Roster Secretary, Purchasing and Maintenance Officers, Newsletter Writer, Web Master, Toy Sale Co-ordinator and Member Liaison Officer.

We are also seeking members to help on different working parties: Purchasing/Maintenance of toys, Promotions & Fundraising/Grants. So if you feel you have skills in any particular area we would love to hear from you.

If you would like further details on any committee position, please contact Jackie on 0404 681 504 or Tamara on 0439 036 144 or ask the RPD on duty when you are next in the toy library.

NEW TOYS IN THE LIBRARY

The Purchasing Team have had a lot of fun over the past few months purchasing new toys! There are over 50 new toys ranging in all ages, we have new games such as the Hungry Caterpillar Game, new puzzles such as the beautiful set of 4 life cycle puzzles, as well some outdoor toys such as bikes, a living things set with butterfly nets and bug catchers and we haven't forgotten the construction area with a new train set and dinosaur pack. We hope you enjoy the new toys!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

The DVTL committee 2009 would like to thank everyone who has helped throughout the year. Support from our members is vital to the toy library's continued success. We look forward to an even better 2010. We wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year.

DVTL is located at: Diamond Valley Branch,
Yarra Plenty Regional Library, Civic Drive Greensborough.

Opening Hours:

Tuesday 7.00-8.15 pm, Friday 10.30-11.45 am
Every Saturday 10.30-11.45am.

Visit our website: www.diamondvalleytoylibrary.org.au

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Diamond Valley Toy Library is a member of Toy Libraries Victoria Inc.

