



Episode 30 - Teacher Librarian Love



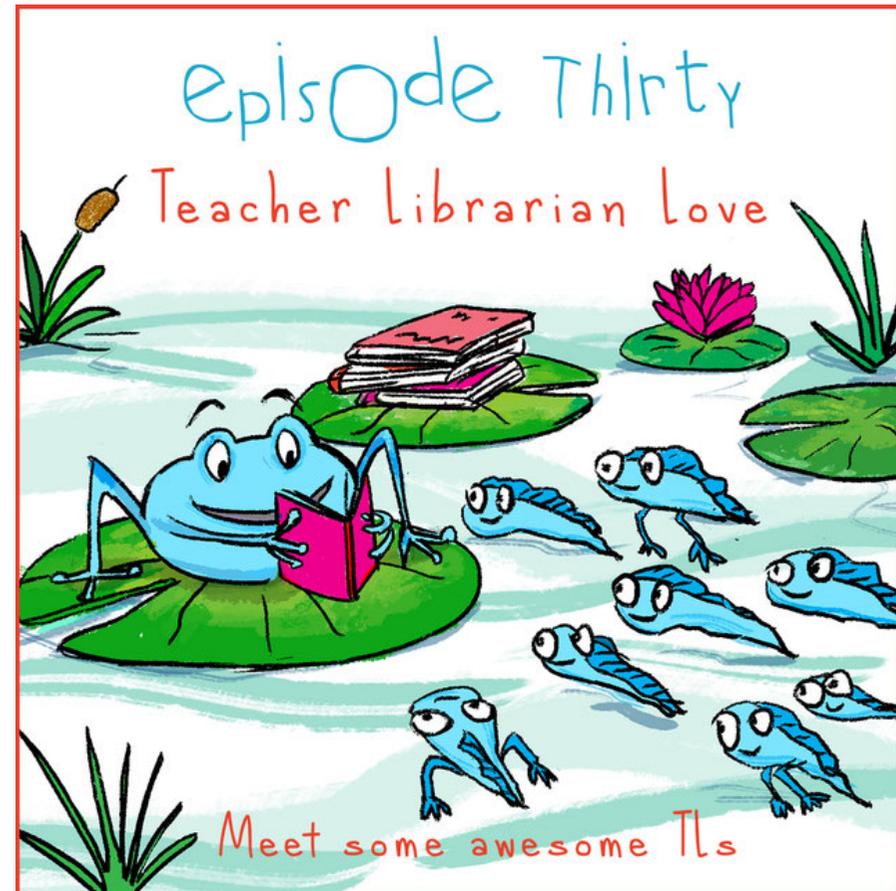
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Kate talks to Megan Daley

Megan Daley is passionate about children's literature and sharing it with young and old alike. In daylight hours, Megan is a teacher librarian at St Aidan's Anglican Girls School and was recently awarded the Queensland Teacher Librarian of the Year by the School Library Association of Queensland, as well as the national Dromkeen Librarians Award, presented by the State Library of Victoria. A former national vice-president of the Children's Book Council of Australia, she is on the Queensland chapter of the board of the



Australian Children's Laureate and on the Publications Committee of the National Library of Australia. She also thinks sleep is overrated.

You can find Megan online at:

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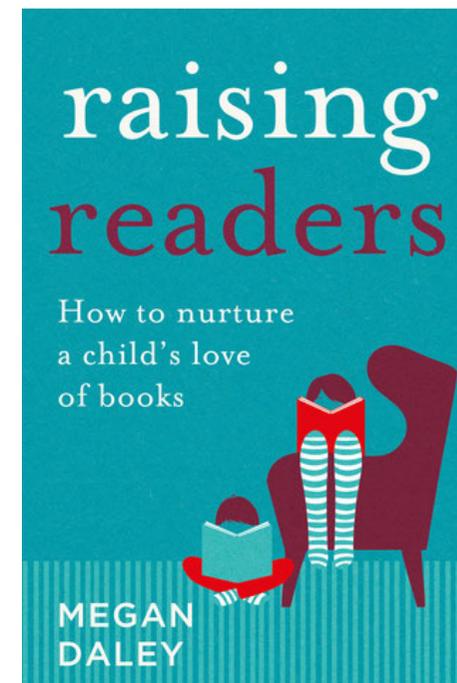
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Keen to hear more about Megan's new book *Raising Readers*?

Some kids refuse to read, others won't stop – not even at the dinner table! Either way, many parents question the best way to support their child's literacy journey. When can you start reading to your child? How do you find that special book to inspire a reluctant reader? How can you tell if a book is age appropriate? What can you do to keep your tween reading into their adolescent years?

Award-winning teacher librarian Megan Daley has the answers to all these questions and more. She unpacks her fifteen years of experience into this personable and accessible guide, enhanced with up-to-date research and first-hand accounts from well-known Australian children's authors. It also contains practical tips, such as suggested reading lists and instructions on how to run book-themed activities.

Raising Readers is a must-have guide for parents and educators to help the children in their lives fall in love with books.



Liz talks to Louise Brooks



Having been a classroom teacher for over 25 years and very passionate about children's literature, Louise decided to bite the bullet and study once again. She completed her Masters in Education – Teacher Librarianship in 2013 and now works in a local Catholic primary school sharing the love of books, building literacy skills and creating a learning hub for students and teachers.

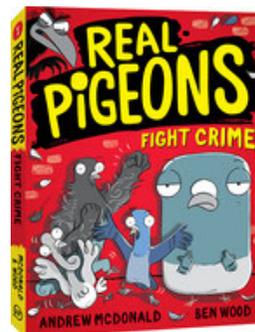
Louise enjoys using social media to make connections between students, authors and illustrators as well as promote new and exciting literature that inspires her students to read.

You can find Louise chatting books online at:

Twitter - [@lobroo](#)

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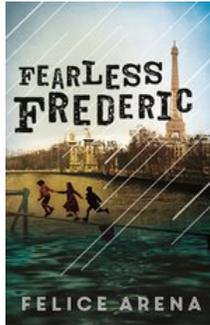
Louise recommends:



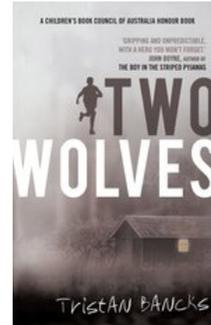
Picture Book: [The Last Peach](#) by Gus Gordon

Junior Fiction: [Real Pigeons Fight Crime](#) by Andrew McDonald and Ben Wood

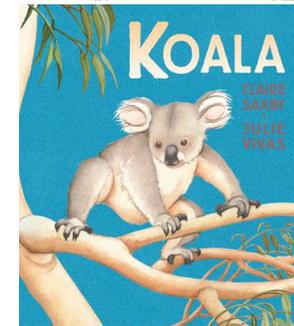
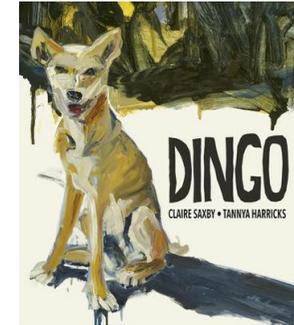
Middle Grade: [Mr Bambuckle's Remarkables](#) by Tim Harris, illustrated by James Hart



Middle Grade: [Fearless Frederic](#) by Felice Arena



Middle Grade: [Two Wolves](#) by Tristan Banks (and Louise is also looking forward to his upcoming release, [Detention](#)).



Non Fiction: [Nature series](#) (including Koala, Dingo and Emu) by Claire Saxby

Nat talks to Lizzy Martin

Lizzy Martin is living the professional dream as a primary teacher librarian, combining her two loves of teaching and literature. As a passionate advocate for children's literature she spends much of her time dreaming of creative and fun ways to engage her students with books and reading. Lizzy's career trajectory into teacher librarianship began in 1997, when she read (and fell in love with) Harry Potter and



the Philosopher's Stone. She is still patiently waiting for her letter from Hogwarts.



Other Bits & Pieces



The Kids' Lit Quiz is an annual literature quiz for students aged 10 - 13 years.

Quizzes are held in Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Indonesia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Singapore, South Africa, Thailand, United Kingdom and USA.

The winning team from each heat competes in a National Final. National champions compete in the [World Final](#).

The quiz was founded by New Zealand quizmaster [Wayne Mills](#), who reads enough books to write several thousand questions each year.



Wayne has never known a time without books, his parents surrounded him with books as a youngster and they've been part of his life ever since. When his kids were teenagers he never observed readers at prize-givings being rewarded for their reading

and it was this that provided the impetus to start a literary competition for 11-13 year olds in 1991. The idea of the quiz then was to acknowledge and motivate readers at a time when reading traditionally dipped.



Wayne built up his knowledge of kids' books while teaching and continued to develop it even after he moved into the tertiary system. Today he never reads without a pen in his hand. The idea of the Kids' Lit Quiz™ as the 'sport of reading' has grown and currently the quiz operates in the UK, Canada, The United States, Australia, South Africa and New Zealand with other countries intending to take part in the international competition later this year.

Wayne is passionate about kids reading for pleasure and works to ensure that readers are challenged to read widely across a range of literature.

Thanks

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