



# Reading for Life

**Library staff and English teachers of Mazenod College  
invite you to an exploration of boys' reading**

**When:** Monday, 28 April 2014, 7:00 pm – 8.30 pm

**Where:** O'Rourke Library, Mazenod College, Mulgrave

## Guest Presenters

**Dr Susan LaMarca and Ms Jan Williams**

**Dr Susan La Marca** is a consultant in the areas of children's and young adult literature and currently Head of Library and Information Services at Genazzano FCJ College in Melbourne. Susan is the editor of *Synergy*, the research journal of the School Library Association of Victoria and associate editor of the journal *Viewpoint: on books for young adults* published at the University of Melbourne. Co-author of the ***Knowing Readers: Unlocking the pleasures of reading***, and a number of other publications, Susan is also an experienced judge for a variety of youth literature awards and has a wealth of knowledge to share.

**Jan Williams** is a teacher librarian at St Kevin's Senior School, Melbourne. She has a broad knowledge of adolescent literature with a specific focus on boys' reading.

**Jessica Bishop**, teacher librarian and reading program coordinator at Mazenod College will also add her expert knowledge and experience to the evening.

The enthusiasm of our presenters is infectious and guarantees that the Reading for Life evening will be a most enjoyable event.

This evening supports our strong reading culture at Mazenod College. We know from experience that engaging with the right book can be a challenge, yet the ability to read fluently is an essential skill for success. This is a family evening designed to assist parents to:

- Nurture your sons' reading development
- Make reading a family experience
- Help your child select books he will enjoy
- Learn from experts why reading is so important and how you can assist your child
- Find out what has worked for others when interest in reading wanes.

You will have the opportunity to:

- Obtain a list of great books which have been enjoyed by others
- Buy books if you choose to (Dymocks, Camberwell will attend but no pressure to buy)
- Share the pleasure of reading for enjoyment.

**This invitation is extended to all families and friends of the College and beyond. If you have an interest in supporting the reading habits of adolescent boys, you will enjoy this evening and we look forward to your company.**

**Please complete the reply slip and return it to the Library by Wednesday, 23 April 2014 or [register online](#)**

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## Reply Slip

I/We will be attending the **Reading for Life** evening on Monday, 28 April 2014 at 7:00pm.

Family: ..... Number attending:.....

**Please return to the Library by Wednesday, 23 April 2014**

Questions? Please contact Mrs Camilla Elliott, Head of Library [celliott@mazenod.vic.edu.au](mailto:celliott@mazenod.vic.edu.au)