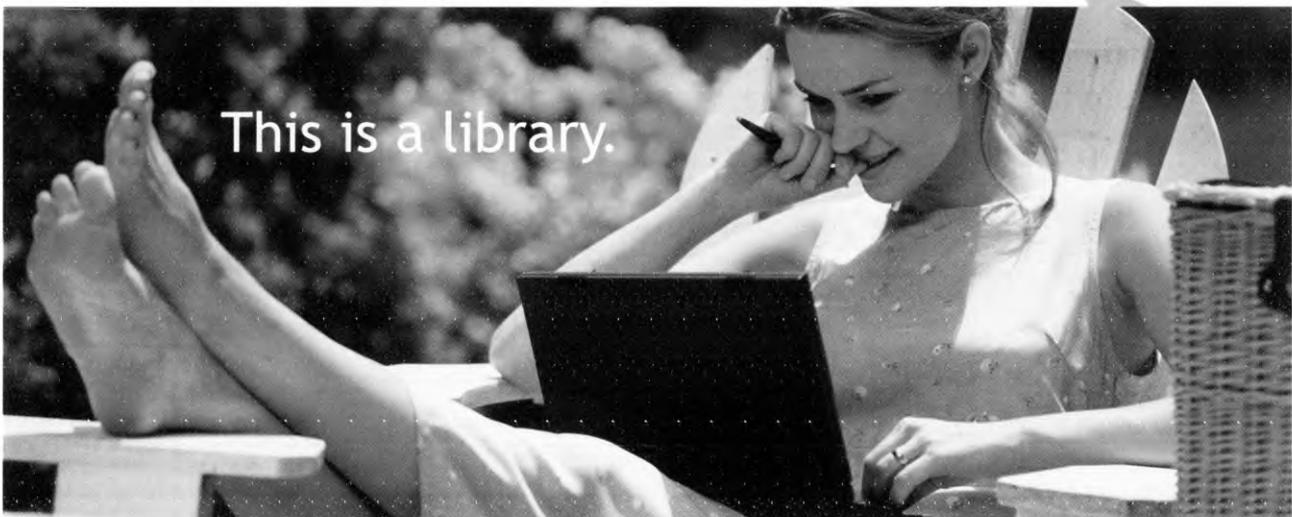


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Libraries are always magical places but the Mount Barker Community Library was extra magical throughout July. With the release of the seventh novel and fifth film in the Harry Potter series, the July school holidays were an obvious time to let loose with some magic and Harry Potter themed activities. The It's Magic @ Your Library school holiday program featured magic shows (one of which included grand illusions such as a levitation and cutting a woman in half), magic workshops, craft, the obligatory Harry Potter Dance Party on Friday the 13th and a Harry Potter Breakfast competition.

The 28 winners of the competition and their parents were invited to the library at 6.30am on Saturday, 21 July, the day of the release of *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, for breakfast, games and a few surprises. The excited children and their sleepy parents enjoyed a sumptuous breakfast of cereal, croissants, Danish pastries and, of course, coffee, juice and milk before getting active with games, activities and excitement provided by the Groovy Chics & Pirate Ships team. At 8.30am the countdown to the release of *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* began and at precisely 8.31am the manager from the local Angus & Robertson store cut the seals on two boxes containing the long-awaited final instalment. By 8.32am each child attending the breakfast had their very own free copy of the book.

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