



## TALENTED YOUNG WRITERS' PROGRAMME

# Delivered to you Online at Reduced Fees in Term 2, 2020

For you and your teacher friends throughout Western Australia!

Good afternoon everyone,

Please excuse this group email, but I just have to let you know the details of this exciting development. Given the unprecedented circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 health crisis, we have been looking for ways to deliver exciting opportunities to maximise teaching and learning for your students. In Term 2, we are delighted to advise you that our unique and acclaimed Talented Young Writers' Programme (TYWP) can be delivered remotely/online for participants via a series of video links. Our presenting authors' carefully tailored presentations will be pre-recorded in our same programme style.

We want to make the online school/home learning experience as flexible as possible knowing that we, and our authors, are committed to adapting to changing conditions. During these challenging times, the one constant we can rely on is that our prize-winning authors know their content and will draw on their expertise to provide your students with engaging, enjoyable and practical learning experiences.

We wish to work with you to find a solution that best fits your situation. We are passing on fee relief to your school and/or families so that students can still participate in this programme while staying at home or back in the classroom.

### We have two exciting options available just for Term 2:

**OPTION 1**: Students who are already enrolled in TYWP have a reduced fee per term of **\$20.00 per student.** (*previously \$30.00*). Teachers provide links and information to these individuals, to do at home or in the classroom, or

**OPTION 2**: Teachers may choose to register a whole class to participate (with or without former students) for the one low fee of **\$10.00 per student**.

#### PROFFESSIONAL LEARNING CERTIFICATE

From your feedback, we know this will be a beneficial Professional Learning (PL) opportunity and want to thank you by issuing a PL certificate towards your Teacher Registration hours. Furthermore, online access allows for flexible delivery within your classroom.

#### PROGRAMME DELIVERY OPTIONS FOR YEAR 6 & SECONDARY TEACHERS

We will provide 9 x 20 minute lessons or 6 x 30 minute lessons, giving authors the choice of which they prefer. Each one will include the background to and a reading from one of the author's books; a discussion of the writing idea the author is exploring with the students; and an outline of creative writing tasks to be done by the students at the teacher's discretion. This format may vary slightly in the later lessons as the author delves into editing techniques and frequently asked questions.

These lessons are tailored to suit your timetable and mode of delivery. It is your choice! The programme will be delivered through an online link with an expiry date for student access. Further details to follow. Please pass this opportunity to any teacher friend or colleague who would like their students to participate.

Our talented authors have created a range of activities and challenges that focus on student learning, creativeness and their wellbeing at this time. Your participation in this programme ensures an income for our authors in recognition of their efforts. As we continue to navigate over the coming months, it is important we come together as a Literature community. We look forward to when we can fully reopen and welcome everyone 'springing back' with us.

I am so proud we have been able to pull this together in time for you and your students to participate in Term 2 in this unique programme. You, your students and our brilliant authors deserve it.

Register today by completing the attached form and return to <a href="mailto:tywp@thelitcentre.org.au">tywp@thelitcentre.org.au</a> by May 8<sup>th</sup> or email us with your expression of interest so we can assist you and answer your questions. Once your registration has been received, we will contact you so you can advise us of the weeks you wish to participate.

As one attending teacher wrote on their feedback form:

"This day was a comprehensive overview of many essential ingredients of creative writing. Creative and accessible workshop activities. I am quite sure that the students will remember many of these techniques."

Warmest wishes, Lesley and the Centre team

**Lesley Reece** 

Director and Member of the Board

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| GROUP                              | AUTHOR                    | PROGRAMME AVAILABILITY    |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Year 6 Young Writers'              | Deb Fitzpatrick           | Week 3 to Week 10         |
| Days                               | (WA)                      |                           |
| Fremantle                          |                           | May 11 to June 26, 2020   |
| Albany                             |                           |                           |
| Geraldton                          |                           |                           |
| Bunbury & Busselton                |                           |                           |
| Young Writers' Days<br>Years 7 & 8 | Isobelle Carmody<br>(QLD) | Week 6 to Week 9          |
| Fremantle                          | (QLD)                     | June 2 to June 26, 2020   |
| Albany                             |                           | Julie 2 to Julie 20, 2020 |
| Geraldton                          |                           |                           |
| Bunbury & Busselton                |                           |                           |
| Youth Literature Day               | Meg McKinlay              | Week 6 to Week 9          |
| Year 9 to 12                       | (WA)                      |                           |
| Fremantle                          |                           | June 2 to June 26, 2020   |
|                                    |                           |                           |
| Youth Literature Day               | Isobelle Carmody          | Week 6 to Week 9          |
| Year 9 to 12                       | (QLD)                     |                           |
| Albany                             |                           | June 2 to June 26, 2020   |
| Geraldton                          |                           |                           |
| Bunbury                            |                           |                           |

#### A REMINDER OF WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE TALENTED YOUNG WRITERS' PROGRAMME

### Our established programme offers you and your students:

- Imaginative and creative writing warm-ups. Hook your students into writing!
- Development of writing skills and processes guided by our award winning Australian authors.
- Tips on generating, organising and editing writing ideas.
- Opportunity to develop students' reading journey through author readings from their books.
- Introduction to new genres to expand reading repertoire.
- Insights into how an author thinks and writes.
- A practical learning opportunity which directly supports classroom activities.
- Superb professional learning with PL certificate to all participating teachers and librarians.