



ROTARY NEWS

Rotary worldwide and locally carries out a vast number of vital projects and programs.

Among them is the focus on literacy. Throughout the world there are more than 800 million people who are unable to read or write. This makes their lives more difficult and places their families in a very vulnerable position where hunger, disease, poverty and lack of education will affect their lives every day. It's a major issue.

Here at home, the lack of literacy also remains a significant factor in some sectors of our own community. Our club is committed to enhancing the literacy learning opportunities for young Indigenous Australian children and their non-Indigenous classmates by providing resources to enable increased opportunities for storybook sharing at school, and to engage older primary-age Indigenous and non-Indigenous students to assist as reading mentors for young children in sponsored schools.

This absorbing literacy project is entitled "Tales From a Dilly Bag". It is led by our club's Dr. Janelle Young PhD. Janelle does such a brilliant job with this program she has earned our club an award which will be conferred on us this month. I wish space allowed a fuller explanation of this project, but if you would like to know more, please email Janelle at jyoung14@gmail.com

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