# Parker visits the library

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Parker Visits the Library Central Coast Council May 2018

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Paint Central Coast REaD is part of the Paint the Town REaD initiative, an Early Literacy Community Capacity Building Program aimed at educating parents, carers and the community about the importance of reading, singing, playing drawing and talking with children every day from birth.

The aim of the program is to encourage all levels of the community to support the development of children's early literacy skills from birth, so they are prepared for learning when they start school.

Each time you talk, hug, sing and read with your child, new brain connections are formed and strengthened.

These daily activities lay the foundation for language development and communication skills to grow.

Literacy is a key success in life. Research shows that foundational skills learnt from ages 0-5 years are critical for developing literacy skills at school.



It's Parker's first time visiting the library. He is so excited.He really wants to read a book about dinosaurs.



"Hello Parker" says the Librarian. Parker needs a library card to borrow books from the library.



Librarian Kirsten gives Parker his library card. Parker asks where he can find books about dinosaurs.



Librarian Kirsten shows him the computer where he can find books about dinosaurs. There are so many!



Parker finds a really good book about dinosaurs, a DVD and some other stories to borrow.

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Parker borrows the books and DVD so he can take them home.



He puts them safely into his library bag so they don't get lost, wet or dirty.

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This is where Parker will need to return the books and DVD in three weeks time.



Parker waits for Storytime to start. Librarian Kirsten gives him a name badge. He can't wait to meet the children.

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Parker is excited because the stories are all about dinosaurs. "I'm a dirty dinosaur" is Parker's favourite story. <sup>10</sup>



When Storytime is finished it's craft time. Parker makes his very own dinosaur.



He is having so much fun with his friends and is proud of his craft.



Parker is really hungry now. He takes his snacks out to the veranda. He doesn't want to make a mess in the library.



Parker relaxes on the lounge as he plays the Lego game on the library iPad.



It's time for Parker to leave now. He has had a fabulous time and can't wait to visit again next week. Central Coast Council operates 11 libraries across the Central Coast. Council's public libraries facilitate community connection and learning and serve as a meeting place for people to gather, share and discover. Our Libraries provide free and equitable access to information, educational programs and resources to create knowledge in our communities.

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