



Reading for Social Peace

Read  Imagine  Create

What is Reading for Social Peace?

This is a new project inspired by the National Library of the Maldives initiative encouraging kids and adults to:

- Read with a questioning and open mind;
- Learn about social justice; and
- Share stories with people from other cultures and countries.

What's social peace?

It's peace in our families; among our friends; in our communities, towns, cities or country; it can mean the absence of conflict and war; it can also mean how we can better live together.

Read. Imagine. Create.

Schools and Libraries across Australia—or indeed around the world—are encouraged to read and respond in a creative way.

Ultimately, this project is about helping kids arrive at their own definition of social peace, by exposing them to books that get them thinking.

Then, it's over to them to respond in a creative way: through a piece of writing or art, a video or song: anything that makes sense to them.

How does this project work?

Inspired by the National Year of Reading, Yarra Plenty Library has teamed up with independent children's book publisher Wilkins Farago to create a wikispace resource and give organisations such as schools, libraries and NGOs ideas to create their own events and programs that champion social peace.

readingforsocialpeace.wikispaces.com

How do I get involved?

Reading for Social Peace is open to any organisation that is willing to create their own program.

A wikispace has been created to give you some ideas of how you might get started.

Below are some social justice focused children's books that Wilkins Farago have published, and are very passionate about, which are great to use as a launching pad.

Explore the wikispace to find ideas for events, ideas for group and individual projects, kids exercises and questions to spark ideas...

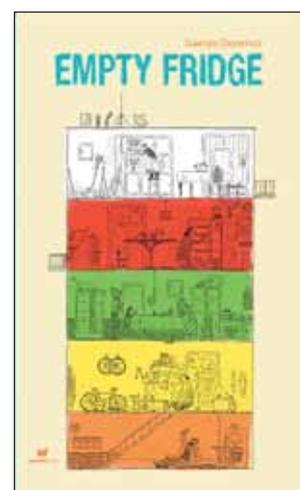
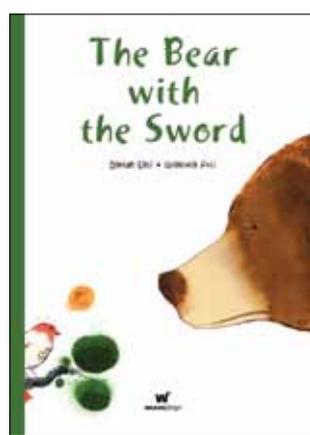
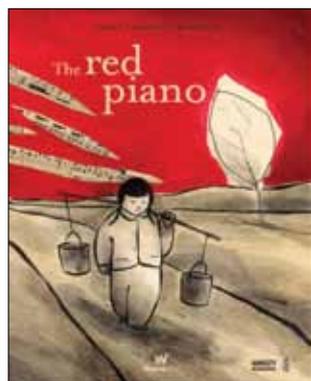
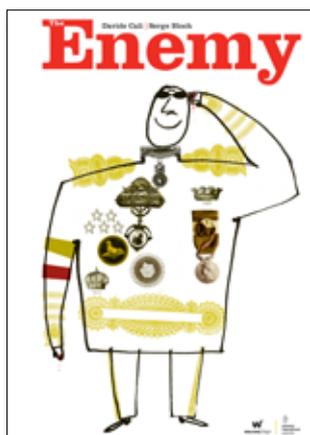
LIKE Reading for Social Peace on Facebook for updates on new events and project ideas ...

All you need to do to get started is pick up one of the four books below and get reading!

The Reading for Social Peace program is available to all schools and libraries.

Visit the wikispace for ideas to get started.

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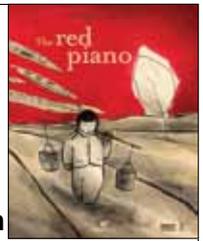
The Enemy
by Davide Cali & Serge Bloch
Ages 8+



The Enemy is a profound, moving and poignant fable for our time about two lonely soldiers facing each other across a barren desert battlefield. Are they the only soldiers left? How can they end the war? Just who is the enemy?

- 3 things to do after reading this book:
- Discuss War and its meaning
 - Role play using a scene from the book
 - Write a final chapter for the book

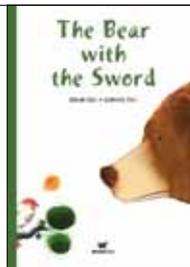
The Red Piano
by Andre Leblanc & Barroux
Ages 8+



During China's Cultural Revolution (1966 - 1976), a young girl is taken from her family and sent to a far-off labour camp. Forbidden to play the piano, she finds a way of smuggling hand-written music into the camp and sneaking away at night to practice piano in a secret location. Then, one night, she is caught ...

- 3 things to do after reading this book:
- Research Zhu Xiao-Mei (the young girl)
 - Discuss 'freedom' then and now
 - Learn to play the music the girl practiced

The Bear with the Sword
by Davide Cali & Gianluca Foli
Ages 5+

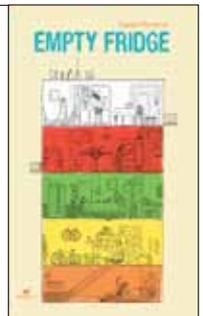


A powerful and timely story of the consequences of our actions, and the impact we can have on the world around us.

The bear's remorse, and the actions he takes to make good his vandalism, will provide all young readers with food for thought.

- 3 things to do after reading this book:
- Create a poster on an environmental theme
 - Have a puppet show recreating the story
 - Make a video of your puppet show

Empty Fridge
by Gaetan Doremus
Ages 5+



Empty Fridge is a picture book that taps into strong themes in our lives: the love of food and cooking, sharing, and the importance of good friends and neighbours.

Empty Fridge is an inspiring and thought-provoking entertainment for the Junior Masterchef generation.

- 3 things to do after reading this book:
- Have your own street party
 - Bake a quiche
 - Introduce yourself to your neighbours

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The Red Piano (ISBN 9780980607017)	\$27.99	
The Bear with the Sword (ISBN 9780980607048)	\$24.99	
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