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It is with much excitement that we invite you to join us as we prepare to celebrate The Australian Book Council of The Year Awards. Some background to Book Week. The theme for 2022 is “Dreaming with Eyes Wide open”. The Book Council of the Year awards were introduced in 1946 primarily to promote quality literature for young Australians, support and encourage a wide range of authors and illustrators of children’s books and to celebrate contributions to Australian children’s literature. This year the winners will be announced on Saturday, August 20. At St. Mary’s we will be commemorating this event with a host of book related activities. Leading up to our Book Week we will be holding our St. Mary’s Book Fair (August 10-18) where there will be opportunities for students to order new and exciting books from Lamont booksellers. The students will peruse the books at school during their scheduled visit to our school library and families will then order and pay for selected books online. There will be a variety of books available to choose from.

The Library/Discovery Centre Book Fair will be open Wednesday, August 17 before and after school 8.30am and 3.30am - 4pm for families wishing to attend the Book Fair and select books with their children. Books make a thoughtful and engaging gift. Our school celebrations will begin with our much loved Book Parade on Monday, August 15th. On this day the students and staff will parade through the school grounds, commencing at the piazza at 9.15am. The students are invited to dress up in a costume or outfit that reflects a favorite book or interpretation of this year’s theme “Dreaming with Eyes Wide Open!”. The students are asked to carry their book throughout the parade in order to enable others to make connections and learn about different books and authors. There will be a number of other exciting events throughout the week in each class including art activities, quizzes and opportunities to share favorite books with others. Next term we will be hosting well known author/illustrator Adam Wallace who will be sharing some of his skills with our students. Please contact me if you would like more information.

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