



Manly Library presents

How to make the most of Storytime

The aim of pre-school Storytime is to encourage a love of stories, books and libraries. Sharing stories helps develop language and listening skills. The program is designed for children aged 2 ½ – 5 years.

Here are a few ways you, as a parent or caregiver, can help make sure that every child (and grown up) gets the most out of Manly Library Storytime sessions:

- Please arrive on time – late comers become the focus of attention and it is harder for children to settle.
- Please switch off your mobile phone and refrain from talking during stories – our acoustics mean noise travels even if you are up the back, and young listeners are easily distracted by background sounds.
- Save your snacks for after you leave the library – some children have serious allergies and our books and resources are easily damaged by food and drink spills.
- If your child becomes unsettled, please feel free to leave the area and return when your child has settled.
- Due to space restraints we ask that if you must bring a pram or stroller please (fold it down if possible) and leave it outside the children's area when you arrive.
- We appreciate your help in tidying up after sessions so that the library is neat and clean for all our visitors.
- Finally don't forget to take Storytime with you by choosing books with your child to read at home. Library staff are always happy to help you with selections, we love children's books too!

We look forward to sharing stories with you and your family.

