

Snowy Valley Council Libraries Writing Competition



To celebrate *Library and Information Week* we are inviting children who live in the SVC area to enter our writing competition.

Special judge Katrina Roe, author of picture book *Lily's Balloon*, will be judging entries based on the following criteria:

- A strong, clear, authentic voice (*Tip: Be yourself! Don't try to write like somebody else.*)
- An original and compelling story that keeps the reader interested. (*Hint: Make me care about your character and their world!*)
- Inclusion of the 'key phrase' (*read below*).

Prizes will be awarded to the winning entry and runner-up, with honorable mentions receiving a certificate.

Entry Requirements

1. Entry is open to children aged between 6 and 12 years of age who live in the Snowy Valley Council area. This includes Adelong, Batlow, Brungle, Gocup, Jingellic, Khancoban, Rosewood, Tumbarumba, Talbingo, Tooma and Tumut.

How to Enter

1. The 'key phrase' will be available on Monday June 2nd 2025 on the Tumut Region Libraries Facebook and in the libraries from 10:00am.
2. Entries will be accepted from Monday June 2nd 2025, until Friday July 18th 2025.
3. Entry forms are available and can be returned to Batlow, Tumbarumba and Tumut Libraries, at outreach services in Adelong and Talbingo, and mobile library in Jingellic, Khancoban and Tooma. They are also available from <https://rrl.nsw.gov.au/whats-on/events/> and <https://www.snowyvalleys.nsw.gov.au/Home/Tabs/Events>. Alternatively, you may email your entry to tumut@svc.nsw.gov.au, but you must include the subject line 'SVC Libraries Writing Competition'.

Conditions of Entry

- One entry per person.
- Maximum word limit is 500.
- This entry form must be included and signed by a parent or guardian agreeing to these terms and conditions.
- There will be two categories, 6-8 years old and 9-12 years.
- The winners, runners-ups and honorable mentions for both categories will be contacted and announced during Library and Information Week.
- The judge's decisions are final.
- By entering the competition, the entrant allows Snowy Valley Council to take photographs, use, name and publish the story.

All information collected is only for the purpose of this writing competition. If more information is required, our privacy statement is available upon request.

Child's Name: _____

Postcode: _____

Child's Age: _____

Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

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