



Fun Reading 🐾 Reading for Life

# Six Golden Rules Library Sessions

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1. Story Dog reading sessions are conducted between the Story Dog team (the volunteer and their dog), and your child. No other siblings or relatives please.
2. Children attending Story Dogs must be of school age
3. Parents/guardians, and other children are asked to give the Story Dog team adequate space and to not interrupt reading sessions.
4. Adults and children are asked to moderate their behaviour around Story Dogs. Story Dogs are to be treated respectfully, and not crowded.
5. If you or other children would like to interact with the Story Dog please ask the volunteer at the end of a session if a gentle pat is appropriate.
6. Please follow all requests and directions from library staff and the Story Dog volunteer.



# Parent Consent Form Child Information Sheet Library

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Story Dogs is a fun and unique reading support program that improves children's reading and communication skills by children reading to a trained companion dog and its handler.

Children will spend approximately 10 minutes with the Story Dog Team reading books which are appropriate to their reading level, with 5 minutes allowed for introductions and goodbyes. During the session, the dog will be on its lead at all times and the handler will be with the dog and child at all times.

Although the dog is immaculately groomed, fully wormed with flea protection, children with allergies are recommended not to be involved with the program.

Please read the 'Golden Rules' for Story Dogs library sessions, attached

The program is free to all children.

## Story Dogs Permission Slip

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I (print your name) ..... **do** give permission for my child (their name)..... to be part of the Story Dogs program.

I give permission for photographs to be taken of my child participating in the program and am aware that these photographs may be used for promotional purposes including appearing on the internet on the Story Dogs website ([www.storydogs.org.au](http://www.storydogs.org.au)) and or Facebook page.

YES       NO

My child **does/does not** (circle one) have any known allergies that will be triggered by contact with a dog. My child **is/is not** (circle one) significantly afraid of dogs.

I have read and agree to follow the 'Golden Rules' for Story Dogs sessions in the library.

YES       NO

For the safety of my child and the dog, I understand if my child is acting inappropriately towards the dog and/or handler, the situation will be discussed with me and my child may be removed from the program.

**Signature of Parent/Guardian** ..... **Date** .....



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## Child Information Sheet

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

In order for the Story Dogs volunteer to best help each child it greatly assists the volunteer if they know the reason(s) why your child needs assistance with learning to read. We understand that due to confidentiality issues you may not be able to give all reasons.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why your child needs assistance with learning to read.

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Any special needs that your child may have that our staff can be aware of so they can make your child feel comfortable.

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