

Celebrate Nature Book Week 2023!

"To think that there are people out there who are trying to, in a creative way, share the idea of how important it is to take care of our planet for the next generation, I think is a really important thing, because that's exactly what we're trying to do."

Rove McManus, Nature Book Week Ambassador



What is Nature Book Week?

Nature Book Week (**4-10 September 2023**) aims to grow a love of nature in readers of all ages, by celebrating stories and storytellers that spark our interest in the natural world. Events take place online and in libraries, schools and bookstores around the country, culminating in the announcement of the winners of the Wilderness Society's 2023 Karajia and Environment Awards for Children's Literature.

5 easy ways for schools and libraries to participate

1. Browse the current Karajia and Environment Awards for Children's Literature shortlists—and click the links to add these titles to your collection (wilderness.org.au/bookawards)
2. Create a Nature Book Week section from your existing story collection, based on teacher-librarian recommendations
3. Download our English and Science lesson plans for primary school students, and drawing, writing and colouring-in activities for kids of all ages (wilderness.org.au/learn)
4. Attend a Nature Book Week event, or organise your own! For example, a storytime session during Nature Book Week with a local author or illustrator. Customisable templates to help promote your events are available at wilderness.org.au/nbwfiles (and let us know, so we can promote it too!)
5. Establish a reading challenge with prompts like: "Read a book about native wildlife" or "read a story that's set in the bush"

We also encourage you to develop your own ideas—and we'd love to see what you come up with! Please tag us on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter [@wilderness_au](https://twitter.com/wilderness_au) or reach out to us at nbw@wilderness.org.au.

"When we read about our natural world, we feel more connected to nature. And feeling connected to nature helps us all to understand how precious our natural environment is, and how important it is we protect it." – Dr Jen Martin, Nature Book Week Ambassador