

# Te Ara Whānui o Te Ao

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Kia ora, and welcome to the Palmerston North City Library newsletter.

## This Job Is So Cool Sometimes



Most days at the library are pretty good. Some days are absolutely fantastic.

When Laura from Awapuni Library and Rhue from the Childrens team decided to make collectable character cards based on designs from the talented kids in Awapuni's Comic Creation Club, it was certainly one of the fantastic days!

Five designs were chosen (and it was not easy - they were all great!) and then the cards were made up by our fellow Council kaimahi. Then, from May 1st we launched a new card each week that you can collect simply by issuing a book from the children's Graphic Novel collection.

Even better, if you've missed them so far, you can still catch up. (As long as stocks last.) So be in quick! We fully expect these to be super collectable in the next few years as these amazing young people become world-famous graphic novel creators.

Watch a video about the project by clicking on the button below.

[Comic Cards](#)

## Pink Shirt Day



The Library celebrated Pink Shirt Day recently. (Yes, some of us love an excuse to dress up, and didn't stop at a shirt!)

From the PSD website: "Pink Shirt Day is about working together to stop bullying by celebrating diversity and promoting kindness and inclusiveness. It's about creating a community where all people feel safe, valued and respected, regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, age, ability, religion or cultural background."

Pink Shirt Day





## Central Library's 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday



Thirty years ago, on the 25th of May 1996, the new central library opened in the old C. M. Ross / D.I.C. building. This was a huge undertaking for the city.

We'll be celebrating the library's 30th over the coming months in various ways, so keep your eye on the [What's On](#) section of the library website.

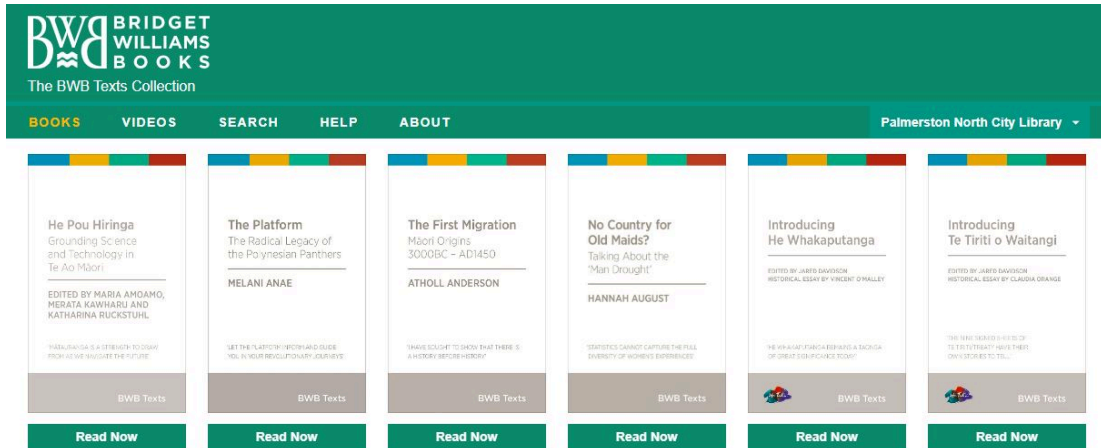
For now, enjoy these [notes on the history of the library service](#) by former City Archivist Ian Matheson, sourced from Manawatū Heritage.





J. E. Lewis (1933). *C M Ross Co Ltd lit up for its 50th jubilee.* [2008P\\_Bc307\\_CMROSS\\_1643](#)

## Bridget Williams Books



Bridget Williams Books have been publishing incredibly important and relevant books by and about the people of Aotearoa for some time now, and their small-format 'BWB Texts' have become iconic for their styling as well as their engaging content.

As well as holding a representative selection of these books in physical form in the library, you can also access the [BWB Texts collection](#) online.

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[NZ On Screen](#) has a new, refreshed website, so it's easier to watch classic Kiwiana like the 'Dear John' BASF ad from 1981. The new site provides the ability to rent NZ feature films, as well as thousands of free titles, and deep-dive guides like: [The History of NZ Television](#) and [The History of NZ Film](#).

Is there a 'wrong' way to read a book? The answer is, of course, 'nope'. Check out [this article from the D\\*List](#) about a cool session they held called The Wrong Readers Club. "The premise was this: a space where people can go to enjoy stories, in whatever format works best for them. We had audio recordings, printed stories, storytellers reading aloud, and NZSL interpreters."

It's really easy to check if you're enrolled to vote in this year's General Election, by visiting [www.vote.nz/enrol](http://www.vote.nz/enrol). Now is the time to do it so you know you're all set to vote later. After all, democracy relies on demos: the people. That's you!

According to the writer of this article, '[Animorphs Has Always Been About Anti-Fascist Shapeshifters](#)'. Great headline, interesting article!



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