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NATIONAL BOOK WEEK 2019

National Book Week is the most recognized reading promotion campaign in South Africa, implemented by the South African Book Development Council (SABDC) in partnership with the national Department of Sport, Arts and Culture. It is an important initiative and encouraging the nation to value reading as a fun and pleasurable activity and to showcase how reading can easily be incorporated into one's daily lifestyle. SABDC celebrates National Book Week on 2-8 September 2019. The Free State Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation (DSACR) through its Library Services Directorate will collaborate with SABDC to celebrate National Book Week as follows:

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Venue: Leratswana Public Library, Arlington

Activities:

- Mobisite for Grade 8-10 learners
- Wordathon for Grade 8-10 learners
- Storytelling for Grade 3-4 learners
- Funda Bala for Grade R learners

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National Book Week will be created within the Program of Reading Festival which will be at President Hotel in Bloemfontein with the following activities:

- Wordathon for Grade 3& 4 learners
- Storytelling for Grade 3&4 learners
- Handing over of the book to encourage reading

“Libraries play an important role as reservoirs of educational material and centres of knowledge production in our communities. They help us to create and sustain a reading culture. Reading statistics report that only 14% of the South African population are active book readers, and a mere 5% of parents read to their children. National Book Week is an important initiative in encouraging the nation to value reading as a fun and pleasurable activity and to showcase how reading can easily be incorporated into one’s daily lifestyle” said MEC Limakatso Mahasa

Your media house is invited to attend this event.

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