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## 2022 LIBRARY WEEK

South African Library Week (SALW) is an annual celebration highlighting the valuable role libraries and librarians contribute to communities. It also aims to promote the use and support of libraries. According to the Library and Information Association of South Africa (LIASA), SALW will be celebrated from the 14-20 March 2022 with the theme “**ReImagine! RePurpose! ReDiscover ...Libraries!**”

During 2022 Library Week, the entire library and information services sector has been implored to **ReImagine** and **RePurpose** Libraries so that the communities they serve will **ReDiscover** and celebrate them again after many months of not using our libraries to their full potential as a result of the COVID-19 lockdown regulations.

With this in mind, the theme for SALW 2022 will explore and interrogate ways in which libraries are having to:

- **Reimagine** their services and their ability to render those services
- **Repurpose** both their spaces and their services to continue being effective in the communities that they serve, and in this way allowing users to
- **Rediscover** the library and the ways in which it benefits them.

The following activities will be celebrated at our libraries in the Free State during this week:

### **A Library Tour:**

This tour is about librarians giving participants a guided tour of the library. It is aimed at educating communities about the importance of using services and facilities available in public libraries and what value public libraries can add to their daily lives.

### **Pre-scholars' Programme (3-6 yrs)**

#### Activity 1: Story Time & Play On

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Activity 2: Colouring Activity

**Children's Programme (7-12 yrs)**

Activity 1: Library Ethics Game

Activity 2: Phonics Activities (Letter Sounds)

**Teenagers' Programme (13-18 yrs)**

Activity 1: Teen Open House

Activity 2: Poetry Reading

**Adults' Programme**

Activity 1: Group Discussion

Activity 2: Reading for Pleasure

Activity 3: Talk About...

**Programme for the Elderly**

Activity 1: Group Discussion

Activity 2: Play Games & Enjoy Music

Please contact your local library for more information on how to be part of this exciting week.

All COVID-19 protocols will be observed.

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