

The 2013 Leila St John Award

*for distinguished services to children's literature
is presented to*

Kim Yeomans

*in recognition of her significant contribution
to children's literature in Victoria.*

This award particularly recognises her work in establishing links between schools, librarians, and other interested parties in children's literature. She has been especially successful in using social media to this end.

Kim has established a sound reading culture at her school, embracing all of the family not just her students, and actively mentors other professionals in her network.

Her commitment and enthusiasm has been inspirational to many and this was further evidenced by the overwhelming response to community book drives when her new library was destroyed in a hail storm shortly after opening in 2010.

She inspires adults and children alike, who continue to contribute to her online communications, long after they have left her initial sphere of influence.

