

## SLAV Central Metro Annual Report 2019

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### **Branch Co-Convenors:**

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During 2019 the SLAV Central Metro Branch held four meetings. On average, about ten members attended each meeting with the end of year dinner attracting seven members plus our guest visitor, Dr Susan La Marca.

### **Details of meetings:**

#### **Term 1**

##### **Central Metro Branch Report (7.3.19)**

The Term One meeting was held at Readings in Hawthorn on Thursday, 7th March. After introducing ourselves we enjoyed sharing information about our libraries and talked about events that are happening in our libraries. Alexis from Readings shared some new Primary and Middle School releases with us.

Camberwell Girls School will be conducting a two-week Literature Tour in the UK in April with 24 students from Years 8 - 12. The tour will begin in London and finish in Manchester. CGS also has two Literature Captains in place who run a Book Club based on genre reading and not a set text.

We discussed potential suppliers for books fairs. Suggested suppliers were Avenue Bookstore or Readings.

#### **2019 Dates**

Term 2 meeting - Trinity Grammar School, Kew

Term 3 meeting - Camberwell Girls Grammar (before Book Week - use CBCA Booking Form to invite judge to speak to us)

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#### **Term 2**

##### **Central Metro Branch Report (6.6.19)**

Our Term Two meeting was held at Trinity College in Kew on Thursday, 6th June. We were fortunate enough to have the delightful CBCA judge, Jo Panckridge, as our special guest presenter. Jo talked to us about the books in the Older and Younger Readers' categories as well as the shortlisted Picture Books. Jo's passion for literature is inspiring and she gave us lots of ideas to share with our students as we investigate the shortlist in our own library lessons.

A big thank you to Erin Wamala for hosting our meeting in her stunning library and for providing the delicious muffins!



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### **Term 3**

#### **Central Metro Branch - no report filed (12.9.19)**

This meeting took place at Camberwell Girls Grammar School. Head of Library, Anne Devenish, shared her wonderful experience of taking a group of students to the UK for a literature tour. It was so successful and well-supported that she will be planning another one in 2021.

## Term 4

### Central Metro Branch Report (14.11.19)

Our final meeting for 2019 was held at Rococo in Hawthorn where we enjoyed a good chat and lovely Italian meals. Those present were Deb Parkinson, Karen Malbon, Robin Zeidler, Di Ruffles, Anne Devenish, Ruth Woolven and Siobhan Roulston. We were very pleased that Susan La Marca was also able to join us. We discussed the importance of visiting other school libraries to pick up new ideas and procedures from each other.

Our Term One branch meeting in 2020 will be held at Carey Baptist Grammar School (Donvale Campus) - the date will be decided in the new school year.



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