

**SA SMART STATE  
LIBRARIES AN ENABLER IN LIFELONG LEARNING  
EDUCATION SYSTEM FOR STUDENTS  
LIBRARIES FOR ALL Libraries ARE THE Community Glue**

Community Libraries are the basis for a 21<sup>st</sup> Century

SA Smart State – Hook is through the Education System – doing very well in providing skills for students:

Constant renewal of Education vital to a functioning society/better functioning society

We live in an age of 20-second grabs of information: news grabs- vital information gets lost-

Libraries vital to people – enable people to get this information and keep up with rapidly changing information

**EXAMPLES OF BEST PRACTICE of education**

Point Pearce (indigenous) do not use libraries but through students attending Maitland school boxes of books are being taken to Point Pearce and being read.

Libraries assisting with Tax lodgement online in country areas: Kadina 70 assists in a month, also Wallaroo

Seniors: Health online and information, IT assistance to access this information

Author evenings – Book Talks – engagement with community

Yorketown SCL study assistance for unemployed: one unemployed man studying social sciences currently in year three

Farmer – Broadband- Stock prices- local library to check prices

Community – check stock market - disabled gentleman we check his shares weekly – same time each week at Millicent

**BUT library is not just a place for education**

Critical place for social networking – third place

- Library staffs are the frontline of social workers- positive impact of libraries
- Community have more contact with library staff than anywhere else in community
- Connectivity

Libraries are Knowledge Centres HOOK and it is important that in developments around the State leading up to the elections that **LIBRARIES ARE NOT NEGLECTED.**