

# Information for borrowers

## Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre



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The Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre's Equity Resource Library provides a specialised, on-line lending collection and customised library services to teachers, classrooms, schools and consultants throughout NSW to assist in reducing the achievement gap in educational outcomes for targeted equity groups.

The library collection includes an array of practical classroom and other professional resources in a range of media to support quality teaching and learning from Kindergarten to Year 12. The areas of literacy and numeracy development are a key focus. Staff members of the Centre are able to support teachers and consultants in the selection and use of resources.

The library can provide ESL New Arrival Program kits to schools with

ESL New Arrivals Program allocations across the state. The library also has Cultural Artefacts kits, Reconciliation kits and class sets of Accelerated Literacy texts.

The library collection also includes professional readings and teaching materials related to:

- English as a Second Language, multicultural and anti-racism education
- Languages other than English (LOTE) and bilingual education
- Aboriginal Education and Aboriginal languages
- the education of boys and girls
- values education
- student wellbeing, youth issues and drug education
- home, school and community partnerships, community capacity building and interagency collaboration
- school leadership, development and reform.

In addition to the resources available for loan, the library also offers a sales and distribution service for selected resources. The lists for these resources can be accessed via the on-line catalogue for the library or by contacting the Centre.

### Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre

Mimika Avenue Whalan NSW 2770

Enquiries and conference room  
bookings

Centre phone 02 8808 1170

Centre fax 02 8808 1171

Centre email  
[sydney.equity@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:sydney.equity@det.nsw.edu.au)

Library membership and enquiries

Library phone 02 8808 1177

Library email  
[EquityResourceLibrary@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:EquityResourceLibrary@det.nsw.edu.au)

Library Intranet website

<http://equityresourcelibrary.det.nsw.edu.au>

Hours 8:30 am to 4:30 pm M-F  
(closed from Xmas to mid January)

## Membership

Membership is open to:

- all Department of Education and Training employees in schools, regions and state offices
- university students enrolled in teacher education courses
- teacher education academic staff in universities
- teachers and consultants in non-government schools and colleges
- non-government schools

## Application Procedures

Intending members complete an Equity Resource Library Membership Application Form and return it to the Equity Resource Library with the membership fee, where relevant.

## Membership Fees

Membership is free to all Department of Education and Training employees, university students enrolled in teacher education courses and teacher education academics in universities. An annual membership fee will be charged for the following groups of members:

- \$50.00 -teachers and consultants in non-government schools and colleges
- \$200.00 -non-government schools and other institutions.

## Borrowing Conditions

Library materials (except New Arrival Program (NAP) Kits) may be borrowed for a maximum period of five (5) weeks.

NAP kits can be borrowed for three terms or the duration of the New Arrival Program funding.

The borrower is responsible for items borrowed under her/his name.

A loan may be extended once if there are no reservations on the resources. Resources are sent to school, regional and state office staff in all areas via the Department's courier and delivery

system. The cost of returning items is the responsibility of the borrower.

## Items limit

Teachers, consultants and academics may borrow up to 20 items. University students may borrow up to 5 items.

## Overdue notices and replacement costs

Borrowers will receive a mailed notice requesting the return of overdue items. If no response is received from the borrower by the library after two (2) library notices, the third notice will contain a notice detailing replacement costs for the unreturned item/s. Cheques should be made payable to the Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre. Borrowing rights will be suspended during this period until payment is received or the resources returned.



**Sir Henry Parkes**

Dixon Galleries  
State Library of NSW  
Watercolour  
by P. Spence  
1887

In 1880 Sir Henry Parkes passed the Public Instruction Act in the NSW parliament which created a statewide system of public schools offering quality education. Its vision - for all students to sit "side by side" and have equal access to education - remains the foundation of NSW public schools.

## Access to resources

Details about resources can be obtained by:

- visiting the Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre in person
- using the on-line catalogue at <http://equityresourcelibrary.det.nsw.edu.au> to select resources
- attending a Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre display at a professional learning activity
- contacting the Henry Parkes Equity Resource Centre by phone, fax or email on [EquityResourceLibrary@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:EquityResourceLibrary@det.nsw.edu.au)

All NSW Department of Education and Training members will be provided with a user name and password to borrow, renew or reserve resources from the on-line catalogue.

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