

2017 LAS LIBRARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

EUNICE ANTHONYRAJ

Eunice Anthonyraj has made significant contributions to bilingual literacy programs for the young in Singapore as an Associate Librarian with the Public Libraries (Singapore).

Since joining the Public Libraries in 2013, Eunice has been instrumental in rolling out new Early Literacy initiatives, specifically in the Tamil Language. She kick-started the Book Ninjas' Club, which is a bilingual reading intervention programme aimed at cultivating a love of reading in the mother tongue language among pre-schoolers, in the libraries. She has nurtured strong and strategic partnerships with organisations, such as the Singapore Indian Development Association (SINDA) and People's Association (PA), to add variety to the suite of Tamil language programmes that cater to public library customers.

Eunice demonstrates a strong commitment to promote reading among the young as can be seen from her diverse portfolio. In addition to conceptualising and executing programmes, she is a Selector of Tamil books for children at all the Public Libraries. She goes the extra mile to capitalise on her knowledge of Tamil children's literature by curating content for library publications such as Timeless Tales, Early Literacy Toolkit and Little Explorer Lost At Sea and by building awareness of the collection among a wider audience.

Committed to promoting a love of reading in children and at the same time cognizant of the need to slowly help them become familiar with new technology, Eunice introduced eDevices for children and their families at some of the Public Libraries. Eunice's efforts were successful in helping to encourage reading and learning through eContent and enhancing digital interaction through eDevices among her intended audience.

For her accomplishments, thus far, and with high expectations for even greater achievements in the years to come, LAS is delighted to award Eunice Anthonyraj with the 2017 LAS Library School Scholarship.



Samantha Ang, President
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