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General Manager
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27th May 2011

Dear Ms. Mash,

RE: REDUCTION IN OBERON LIBRARY BUDGET FOR PURCHASE OF NEW BOOKS

As a weekly user of the library I was horrified to hear that the Oberon Council has decided to halve the yearly expenditure on the purchase of new books, DVD's and CD's.

As a parent of primary aged children, I rely on new library books, particularly picture books, in order to continue nurturing a keen interest in reading in both my children (aged 6 & 10 yrs old). My 6 yr old has been slow to develop her skills in reading but with the assistance of the wonderful library staff, I have been able to borrow suitable books that have assisted in her reading development. I also rely on new books for both my children to participate each year in the Premier's Reading Challenge. Without an inflow of new books, the children will end up having to re-read last years titles (which I doubt they will actually do!) I also read each night to my youngest daughter, from picture books borrowed from the library, we rely on the libraries ability to purchase new books as we have read most of the books in the children's selection!

I therefore urge the Council to reconsider the reduction in budget and finance the library suitably so it continues to offer the public a well stocked supply of books for young and old!

Yours sincerely,



Jules Bros