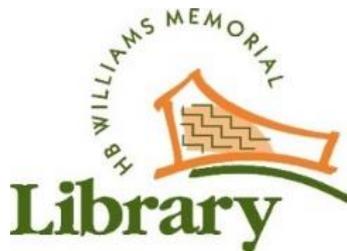


# Unaccompanied children~tamariki



The safety and wellbeing of children~tamariki at HB Williams Memorial Library is of foremost importance.

The Library provides collections, services, and spaces for children~tamariki and their caregivers to explore and enjoy together in a safe and respectful manner.

The role of Library staff is to deliver services to all Library users. It is not the responsibility of staff to supervise children~tamariki who are left unaccompanied at the Library.

Children~tamariki under 8 years old must be actively supervised by a caregiver at all times. Actively supervising means being close to the child~tamaiti, watching them, and being able to help immediately if they need it.

Children~tamariki under 14 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver who remains in the Library building and is easily and quickly located by the child~tamaiti if they need to.

If a child~tamaiti has been left unaccompanied at the Library, staff will attempt to locate the caregiver. If the caregiver is not easily located, the Police may be contacted and the child~tamaiti handed in the care of the relevant authority.