

# South Central

## REGIONAL LIBRARY

Altona, Manitou, Miami, Morden & Winkler

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Pictured: Winkler Branch

## National Canadian Film Day

April 20th

National Canadian Film day is quickly approaching and we're inviting you to join us! All branches will be participating in either an in-person or online event. Watch our Facebook page for more details on which movies are available at which times.

Please note, our Morden branch will require a (free) ticket to attend while Winkler and Altona branches will be offering in-person viewing with no ticket required. Manitou and Miami will have online viewings only. Please stay up to date by checking in with your local branch!



## Childrens Book Week

May 1st-7th

We are excited to announce we will be hosting a virtual visit with authors Charis Cotter & Isabelle Groc, and will be inviting schools to join us via Zoom. Charis is a middle grade writer with a passion for ghost stories, and Isabelle focuses on wildlife and conservation based non-fiction. We are looking forward to having them connect with students!

# Featured Articles

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## SCRL Book Review

### A Place to Hang the Moon

By Kate Albus

Junior Fiction

Reviewed by Julie - Altona branch

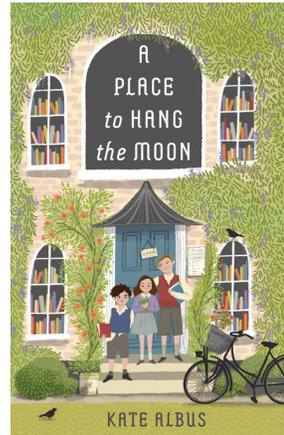
My grandchildren and I enjoyed *A Place to Hang the Moon* by Kate Albus as a read aloud. There was never a good time to stop reading this junior fiction book and we didn't want the story to end.

We fell in love with the three orphaned siblings, William, Edmond and Anna, who must evacuate London during World War II and live with billet families in the countryside. Their love and loyalty for one another and their preposterous plan, finding a home that will want to keep them forever, gives them hope for a better future. They experience discrimination and taunting from their foster siblings, but their love of books leads them to a local library where they find strength to endure.

This book reads like a classic. I had to check the publishing date and saw that it was a new book published in 2021. The author is brilliant with her expressive vocabulary and you will marvel at the way she draws the reader in to the lives of the three Pearce siblings.

One quote from the book, where the children are wondering why there are so many stories written about orphans: "I hadn't really thought about it," Mrs. Muller confessed. "Perhaps they think children fancy the notion of living on their own, without adults to tell them what to do. It's quite daft, if you think about it, isn't it?"

We highly recommend this book for readers of all ages.



**For more book reviews and suggestions check out the SCRL blog *Novel Experiences***

## March Wrap-up

March is over and we had a lot of fun celebrating spring break with everyone! Thanks to all of those who joined us and we hope you had fun planting seeds and making crafts.

## Watch out for...

-The Winkler Book & Bake Sale! Mark your calendars for May 5th-7th and come down to the Winkler branch to grab some books or some baked goods for mom on Mothers Day! Funds raised will be going towards Winkler's new reading garden. See you then!



- Our new and improved Bookland Explorers program (previously summer reading program) will be taking online applications for summer students coming this June. Please keep an eye out for more news!