

## Playful storytelling and oral literacy: an evening with Evelyn Davis

6.45 - 9.15 pm. Thursday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup> at the Tree House, 9 Warren Kelly St, Richmond

Please contact Evelyn on [evadiva@xtra.co.nz](mailto:evadiva@xtra.co.nz) to book a place. Cost:\$50



Oral story telling strengthens relationships, fosters oral literacy (which is the foundation of written literacy) empowering children to find their own voices as storytellers as well.

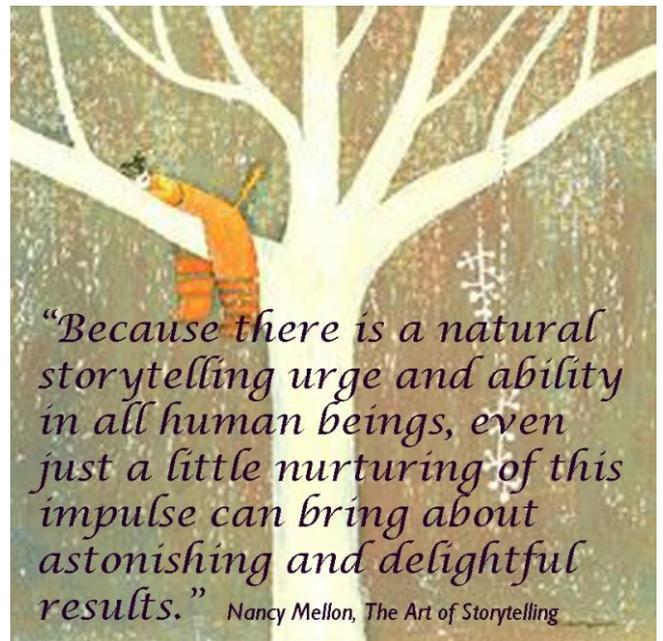
I will introduce different ways to tell stories, including table top puppets, dramatic play, theatre, play-dough, book-making and the arts. And more.

I offer safe, fun, and practical experiences that will hopefully inspire you to play with storytelling in a variety of ways, in a variety of different areas and contexts in a normal ECE day.

This workshop offers a demonstration of oral storytelling, playful interactive experiences that support you to find your own storytelling voice, and a power point replete with inspiring images of oral storytelling and ways to make simple ingenious resources. Useful and informative handouts will be emailed to participants after the evening.

We are all natural story tellers and the only obstacle is the voice in our heads that says that can't possibly be true. Story telling is very like the way, over a cup of tea, we tell our friends the latest stories of events in our lives!

**Biography:** Evelyn Davis is an experienced teacher and PD facilitator with a particular interest in how storytelling, the arts and play can be woven into richly textured learning experiences for children, with a special focus on oral literacy. Evelyn works as a relieving teacher with the AKA in Auckland and highly values opportunities to work with children, parents and teachers to strengthen the art of oral storytelling. She brings enthusiasm, knowledge and playfulness to her workshops. She also creates felted storytelling mats (Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Victory Community Centre). Her website is [www.evelyndavis.co.nz](http://www.evelyndavis.co.nz) but she is most active on <https://www.facebook.com/storytellingthreads/>.



*“Because there is a natural storytelling urge and ability in all human beings, even just a little nurturing of this impulse can bring about astonishing and delightful results.”* Nancy Mellon, *The Art of Storytelling*