



The Bookworm Children's Library is a venture of two educationists, Sujata Noronha and Elaine Mendonca, started in 2007 in St Inez, Goa, India to promote a love for reading among children and to discover the magic of books and reading. The Bookworm Library is now a reading haven that children have come to love and enjoy.

The Bookworm Children's Mobile Library was added to its fold in 2007, after schools in non-urban areas expressed an interest in their books and reading programs. This school library program is now in its fifth academic year (June-March) and offers 20 underprivileged government-run schools, in non-urban areas across Goa with free access to books, reading support and teacher training programs. This academic year the mobile library will reach over 2000 students in over 50 classrooms.

The participating schools receive Book Boxes which contains a wide variety of reading material, hand selected by the Bookworm team, based on the kind of school, reading levels, teacher response, nature of children, multilingual or bilingual, boy-girl ratio, interests, location to link to their socio cultural context, etc. Teachers are encouraged to send books home to build on reading at home which supports reading and literacy practice. Teacher training programs and active library sessions are offered to help teachers connect library books to curriculum to improve the reading and learning experience of the child.

SPREADING THE MAGIC OF **READING.**

The Book Treasury
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date

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER
29, 2011**

location

PAYAL BANQUET HALL
3410 Semenyk Court,
Mississauga, ON, L5C4P9

time

6:00PM

The Halloween Masquerade 2011 will support the free programs of the Bookworm Children's Mobile Library, Goa, India, a community partnership program of The Book Treasury International.

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