**Informal email template – World Childless Week Library Display**

Hi librarians!

I’m a local library user at <library\_name>. I always enjoy the displays you set up, and I was wondering if you would do one for World Childless Week?

This year [World Childless Week](https://worldchildlessweek.net/) is from <11 September to 17 September>.

Around 20% of women will be permanently childless, most not by choice – it’s a larger section of the community than most people realise. This can be difficult to accept and live with, and not having children (for any reason) is heavily stigmatised. There is a wealth of self-help books, biographies and other titles that can help people through, and I’d love to see them highlighted on your shelves.

<OPTIONAL – what would it mean for you? What is your experience? For example:

I’ve always been an avid reader, but while I was struggling with my own childlessness, I found it difficult to keep reading. So many stories features babies and pregnancy, and I just didn’t see my experience reflected in most self-help books. Reading <your\_favourite\_relevant\_book> really helped me through a tough time, and I’d like to help others in our community who might be struggling with the same thing, find books like that too.>

There are resources to find books that are suitable for the childless community such as, [nokidsbooks.com](https://nokidsbooks.com/), [worldchildlessweek.net](https://worldchildessweek.net/books), and [gatewaywomen.com](https://gateway-women.com/resources/recommended-books/). <Optional: And I am happy to help you find titles in your collection.>

Thanks for hearing me out, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

<your\_name>

**More formal email template – World Childless Week Library Display**

Dear <library\_name>,

I’m a local library user and I’d like to talk to you about marking World Childless week at <library\_name>.

This year [World Childless Week](https://worldchildlessweek.net/) is from <11 September to 17 September>.

Libraries are a source of information, entertainment, and community inclusion, and as around 20% of women will be permanently childless, most not by choice, we would like to be included too.

Being childless-not-by-choice can be difficult to accept and live with, and not having children (for any reason) is heavily stigmatised. However, there is a wealth of self-help books, biographies and other titles that can help people through.

A display for World Childless Week could help people find the resources they need, and to feel included at <library\_name>.

<OPTIONAL – What would it mean for you? What is your experience? For example:

As a childless person, I often find less-targeted self help books inappropriate to my situation. Fiction can also pose a challenge, as many stories take a sudden turn into pregnancy and parenthood topics and this can be triggering.>

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Thank you for your time. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

<your\_name>