Lyndale College Library **Guest Speaker Program** presents **Isobelle Carmody**, Tues, Aug 18, 2015.

**Venue: LSC Library, Period Two commencing 10.30am Bookings are essential**

**Isobelle Carmody** began the first of her highly acclaimed *Obernewtyn Chronicles* while she was still at high school and worked on it while completing a Bachelor of Arts and then a journalism cadetship. The first book was accepted by the first publisher she sent it to and went on to be short-listed in the Older Readers section of the Children’s Book Council *Book of the Year Awards*. The series and her short stories have established her at the forefront of fantasy writing in Australia.

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**Isobelle has written many** award winning short stories and books for young people since then. *Greylands* was named a *White Raven* at Bologna Book Fair and the title story of *the Green Monkey Dream Collection* won Best short story in the *Aurealis Awards* when it was published. *Darksong* won an *Aurealis Award* in its year*. Alyzon Whitestarr* won a *Golden Aurealis* when it was published.

   

***The Legend of Little Fur*** was Isobelle’s first series for younger readers. She illustrated this and the other three books that completed this series herself with pen and ink drawings*. The Red Wind*, the first book in *The Kingdom of The Lost* series which she also illustrated, won the *CBC Book of the Year* in 2011 in the Younger Readers’ Category and its sequel*, The Night School* illustrated by Anne Spudvilas, was shortlisted for an *Aurealis Award* in 2011. *The Cloud Road*, was shortlisted for the *Aurealis Awards* for Best Children’s Book in 2013.

   

***Metro* Winds, Isobelle’s latest short story collection** was published in May 2012. (*Metro Winds* and many others are available for loan from the college Library). Isobelle is currently working *on The Red Queen*, the final book in the Obernewtyn Chronicles, and the screenplay for a film treatment of her book *Greylands*. She has also begun a PhD at the University of Qld.

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