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 ***Interned***

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**Australia jailed 7000 ‘enemy aliens’ of German origin during World War 1. Most of these were men. But 84 were children.**

It’s 1914. The world is on the brink of war. Gretta, daughter of a German businessman, lives a privileged life in Singapore. Tilly, daughter of a German-born baker, lives a modest life in Brisbane. Two very different lives. But the girls will spend the next four years together, in Australia. In an internment camp. Jailed.

**A middle-grade historical novel by multi-award winning author Pamela Rushby**

Based on true events, *Interned* is a moving, well-researched and evocative historical fiction novel that highlights an often forgotten moment in Australian history.

 Pam would be delighted to talk about prejudice, propaganda, the effects of long-term incarceration and changing attitudes in society – and the book, of course!

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