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K-4 Home Reading Program

Dear parents/carers

To help instil a passion for reading, students in kindergarten through to Year 4 will participate in a home reading program again this year. This program encourages children to read daily to their parents/carers, to not only practise the skills they have learnt in class, but to also help them to be more confident, accurate readers.

Each child has been issued with their own reading diary where they can record their achievements by filling out a daily account. Your child can also draw in the blank faces to express how they felt about their reading. There is also a space for parents/caregivers to comment.

There are achievement awards and stickers to help motivate your child to develop good reading habits plus reading tips on correcting mistakes and encouraging the reader to tackle a wide range of material.

Home readers can be returned depending on needs. It is also important that students read known texts more than once to help them become fluent readers who read how they speak.

On completion of each weekly reading achievement, students need to show their teacher so that their name can be put into the 'Home Reading Draw'. Each Monday morning starting in Week 4 a name will be drawn, and the lucky recipient will select a book to take home and keep.

If you have any questions regarding this program please phone the office to make a time to speak with your child's classroom teacher.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Tanya MacDonald
Assistant Principal, Curriculum & Instruction

Miss Jenine Milgate
Assistant Principal

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Regular reading impacts a child's success at school.
If not addressed early the educational gap widens...

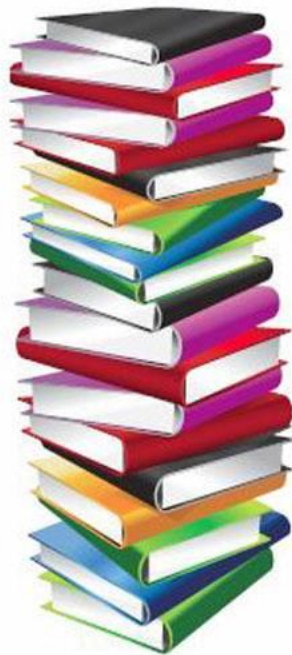
Child A



Reads 20 minutes
per day

3,600 minutes
per school year

1,800,000 words
per school year



Scores in the
90th percentile

Child B



Reads 5 minutes
per day

900 minutes
per school year

282,000 words
per school year



Scores in the
50th percentile

Child C



Reads 1 minute
per day

180 minutes
per school year

8,000 words
per school year



Scores in the
10th percentile

Standardised Test Scores

By the end of grade 6, Child A will have read the equivalent of 60 school days, Child B will have read for 12 school days and Child C will have read for 3 days. Nagy and Herman, 1987.