



Merimbula Public School Home Reading Program

Tuesday February 5, 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our home reading program is primarily aimed at encouraging a love and enthusiasm for reading. It is also aimed at developing and promoting supportive links between home and school to advance reading skills. Home reading should be an enjoyable activity where students practise fluency, build confidence, learn about the world around them and develop their imagination.

- *Home reading will be an opportunity for students to improve their reading through daily practise within a positive home environment.*
- *Home reading will enable students to experience success and improve their learning.*
- *Home reading will promote positive partnerships with school and home working together for the benefit of our students.*

The success of the program requires that students commit to the program each night from Monday – Thursday. The program provides some books for our students to take home for home use. As you can imagine, we need lots of books to run this program and therefore we need to ensure that books are cared for and returned.

You will be sent a note to remind you if a book has not been returned so you can have a look for it at home. If the book has not been returned within two weeks you will receive another note informing you of the cost of replacement. The cost of replacing damaged and misplaced books must therefore be the responsibility of the child and ultimately the parent/caregiver.

Please sign the slip below and return it to your child's class teacher if you wish for your child to participate. Thanks for your cooperation.

Ms Michelle Hulme
Principal



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Dear Class Teacher,

I **do/do not** (please circle) want my child _____ in class _____ to participate in the Home Reading Program. I understand that if my child participates my support will involve:

- *Listening to my child read and/or asking questions about their reading.*
- *Signing their daily record sheet.*
- *Providing a new plastic envelope/folder for the book and recording sheet (Which will be clearly labelled with my child's name and class).*
- *Meeting the cost of replacing any lost/damaged books.*

Parent/Caregiver name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____