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Year 1 ~ Home Reading System

Home reading provides the opportunity for children to build upon the skills taught in reading at school. It is an important part of acquiring literacy knowledge and can be a rewarding time for both parents and children.

There are two components of home reading:

1. Reading to your child

This allows children to hear the rich structures of language present in real books. It allows children to become immersed in the world of the author. The reading could be from a poem, rhyme, picture book, library book, chapter book etc.

2. Listening to your child read

This allows children to practice and build upon the skills they are learning in reading. It is usually a familiar text and is always a book that they can read easily. By being easy, it allows the children to orchestrate all of the skills needed to be a successful reader.

Home reading at Hayes Park Public School, reflects and supports the learning occurring in the classroom through the L3 program. The books sent home will be familiar texts that have been treated in class during guided reading.

It is important to note that the books *must be returned the next day* as they will be needed for a guided reading lesson with another group or class.

We have been extremely lucky to have such supportive parents and grandparents, as many of the books we use were purchased through P&C funds.

Dear Parents/Carers

You are invited to participate in our home reading program with your child. By doing so you are agreeing to:

- Read to your child each night from a rich text (only has to be 10 mins)
- Listen to your child read a book that has been treated in class
- Return the book the VERY NEXT DAY so that it can be used by other children.
 - **NOTE:** If a reader is lost there will be a cost of \$10 to replace the book, as it is part of a set and each book is needed for the program to function. A new book will not be sent home until the previous book is returned.

Thank you

Year 1 Teachers

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I would like to participate in the Home Reading program at Hayes Park Public School.

Parent Name/s: _____

Child's Name:

Please return this slip to the class teacher