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KINDERGARTEN HOME READING AND HOME ACTIVITIES

Dear Families,

Thank you for your support during our first full week back at school. The students have all really enjoyed learning with their teachers and friends.

We are now ready to restart our home reading program. It is very important that all students read at home as often as possible – preferably every day. Please make some time to listen to your child read. Students have two options for home reading: physical home readers and the PM eCollection digital readers.

Physical Home Readers

Home readers are small books borrowed from school each day. Please send in your child's plastic home reading folder every day so they can get a new book to take home.

If you have a large pile of home readers at home, please return them to school as soon as possible. We sent home many books during home learning and so we currently do not enough to give to students! Please also note that learning-at-home booklets no longer need to be sent to school.

PM eCollection

Students access digital books through the PM website or iPad app. They can also listen to the whole story or individual words, draw pictures, edit the text and make recordings. Please note that teachers will no longer be assigning specific books to students. Instead, students can read any book that appears on their digital bookshelf. If you need your student's account details, please contact your teacher.
<https://app.pmeollection.com.au/>

Please use your child's log book to record each book your child reads. On the back of this note are some tips to help you support your child when reading.

Additional Home Activities

Students also have access to two further subscription websites so they can practise literacy and numeracy skills at home:

Sunshine Online <https://www.sunshineonline.com.au/> username: alexpark password: alexpark

Matific <https://www.matific.com/> or iPad app (Contact your teacher for account details)

Reading to Students

It is also very important to spend some time reading to your child. Children learn how reading sounds (and to love stories) by listening to proficient readers – you! If you speak a different language, please read books in your home language as well. School library lessons have recommenced, and students are now able to borrow books again. Please send a library bag (or any soft bag) so your child can bring a book home to share with you.

Kind regards,

Ms Page, Ms Humphreys, Mr Gleaves, Ms Akkoui and Ms Attwood