

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

The children have been excited to begin to learn to read in class. To supplement this in class program, from next week we will begin to send home readers home.

If you wish for your child to bring home a home reader please send in a A4 plastic press stud envelope with your child's name on it. Please send this folder in as soon as possible.

Home readers will be able to be swapped on Monday and Wednesday. Please send the book in the envelope on these days. If the book is not returned they cannot receive a new reader until the other one is returned.

In term 1 whilst your children are learning the beginning skills, please follow the following guidelines:

- Books are to be read aloud with an adult or a sibling, not alone.
- As the children are developing their reading strategies it is helpful for an adult to read the book to them first and then allow them to read to you.
- Reading a book for more than one night develops fluency.
- Remember that the home reader books aren't an exact match of what they are reading at school. There may be unfamiliar words or content, so please help them if they are unsure.
- Usually home readers are a lower level than what they are reading at school as they are used for practicing skills not learning skills.
- 5 minutes of quality reading aloud each night is appropriate for your child at this age.
- If the books is too hard for your child send it back to school with a note and we will swap it.
- Make reading fun. Reading with your child can be a special time. Pick a time when your child isn't too tired or hungry and when you can give them your full attention.

Reading stories to you child each night and your child reading aloud to you each night has a positive impact on their ability to read. We encourage you to participate in this program and share the love of reading with your child.

Kind regards,

Mrs Tanya White

Miss Seonita Hamman

Ms Jasmine Seymour

Class Teacher

Class Teacher

Class Teacher



5th March, 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

The students have settled into the routine of Kindergarten and we are now ready to invite any parent available to help in our classroom. The help required will be during literacy groups. Parent helpers would be required to help students complete a set activity and we would like parents to be aware that you may/may not be working with your own children.

To be able to help in our classrooms we respectfully ask that no younger children come along with you, as it is a distraction for the Kindergarten children. It is also important that parents respect the confidentiality of helping in the classroom by not discussing children and what they do in Literacy groups with other adults. We would also like to make you aware that if you helping in our room disrupts your child's learning (they may get upset, not want to leave you, not complete their work) then we may need to ask that you have a break from helping until your child can continue their learning with you in the classroom.

You would require a current volunteer Working With Children number which can be obtained from the RMS (Roads and Maritime services). A copy of the email containing this number MUST to be handed to the office before you can commence helping in the classroom. You will need to sign in at the office before coming to the classroom to help.

If you have time spare to come in and work in our classroom please indicate on the tear off slip below. I will contact you to confirm the day and time.

Kind regards,

Mrs Tanya White
Classroom Teacher

Miss Seonita Hamman
Classroom Teacher

Ms Jasmine Seymour
Classroom Teacher

I am able to help in Kindergarten in the morning literacy session 9:15-10:15:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

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Name: _____ Parent of: _____

WWC Number: _____ Contact no: _____