



Blackheath Public School Stage One Home Reading 2018

February 6th, 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Home Reading is an integral part of our Reading Program in Stage One. The aim of the Home Reading Program is to develop fluency, confidence and enjoyment of reading. It is designed to reinforce and practice reading at an appropriate level for each child. There is a strong emphasis on making reading a positive and meaningful experience.

Stage One classes will commence their Home Reading Program in Week 4, beginning on February 20th. Each class teacher will run their Home Reading Program from 9.00 – 9.30 am Tuesday to Friday.

During each session in class, the children have the opportunity to read their practiced Home Reading books to a peer, parents or the teacher. A new book is then selected to take home. The new book is then taken home to read and brought back on the following day to be exchanged or renewed. Those students who are reading novels are expected to read aloud for about 5 minutes and the novel is taken home for continued reading. **Children must bring their books every day, Tuesday to Friday!**

Please encourage and praise all efforts to read. The level of difficulty of the books should be such that your child can read them independently. Should the book, on occasion, be too difficult, you can read the book to the child and enjoy this shared reading time. We encourage parents to continue to read stories in addition to the ones brought from school.

In order to minimise loss or damage, home reading books are sent home in a plastic clip lock envelope along with the recording booklet. Please keep the reading record book in this bag and refer to the centre pages of the record book for helpful ideas. If a book is lost the replacement cost must be paid for by the parent.

The positive attitude of parents greatly contributes to children's success and confidence. We really appreciate your support and cooperation with this important home/school link in your child's education.

Thank you for your support,

Stage One Teachers

Ms Blackwell, Ms Shute, Mrs Reeves, Mrs Crowther, Ms Jones and Miss Harris.

BLACKHEATH PUBLIC SCHOOL – STAGE ONE HOME READING

Our Home Reading Program is the success it is because of the fantastic support we get from you, the parents and caregivers of our children. In 2018 the Home Reading Program will operate from Tuesday through to Friday as per the timetable in the covering letter. If you can help us by coming to listen to the children read, please complete the form below and return it to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Stage One teachers

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I can help with Home Reading on the following days:

Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/>
Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/>
Thursday <input type="checkbox"/>
Friday <input type="checkbox"/>

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

Additional Comment/Information:
