

Reading at Home

Reading at home is such an important part of reading development. At the Prep level it is important that the children are 'sharing' books with adults on a daily basis. We know that most children are already being read to or with each night and this is fantastic. Please help your child choose a book to share each night. Next year, we will also be sending a 'home reader' from school home with your child each week, but for now any books you have are great to read.



Some hints and tips for reading at home.

- * Please read with your child EVERY night.
- * Make sure reading time is a happy, stress free time. Get comfortable, relax and have a cuddle.
- * Encourage your child to have a go. They can even look for words/letters that they know.
- * Let your child see you read, both for pleasure and for a purpose (eg reading mail, reading instructions etc)
- * Encourage your child to read everywhere, all the time. (signs, labels etc)
- * Praise all efforts!
- * Relax, enjoy – and Happy Reading! 😊

As a general rule:

- if the book is HARD – you read it
- if the book is NOT TOO HARD – read it together
- if the book is EASY – your child reads it



*If you need more books to read, we encourage you and your child to borrow from the town library. Remember – going back to old favourites over and over again is fantastic.