

Year 2 Emus Home Reading

Reading at home will make a huge difference in your child's reading success! Try to make reading a part of your daily routine. Reading for just 10 minutes a day will have great benefit to your children and their early skill development.

Reading, Retelling and Understanding

Here are some things to do when reading with your child.

- Before reading, make predictions about what the book may be about. Will it be a made-up story or will it teach me new information on a topic?
- Talk about any tricky words and tell them their meaning.
- Make connections to their life-other books read, a place they visited, TV shows they like, real life experiences
- Ask them questions about the characters in the text. Talk about the setting (where it is taking place). How do the characters feel? Talk about interesting information read.
- After reading, allow your child to tell you what the story or text was about. What is something they can recall? Can they sequence from beginning, to middle and end?
- Act out a story. Put on funny voices. Have fun with reading so your child is entertained and begins to enjoy reading too!

Help your child grow as a reader

- Have your child locate some of their letter sounds, digraphs, and tricky words.
- Have them notice full stops, capital letters, commas, speech marks, exclamation marks and all other difference they notice
- Notice patterns in text and illustrations.
- Let them tell the story using only illustrations.
- Help them learn to LOVE READING!

How will Home reading look this year?

Each day, your child will select a book from a box that has a range of texts at your child's reading level. Once you have read with your child each day, allow them to colour a star on the reading rocket. Once your child has 15 stars coloured, return the sheet and folder to school and your child will receive their levelled reading award. Then, another sheet will be given for another 15 nights to be achieved, resulting in a new, different level/award each time. Please ensure that the folder is returned each day and that an adult has signed the box. If books that are borrowed appear to easy or your child is struggling with a text, please note in the comment box, and it will be changed. I look forward to a fantastic, EXCITING year of reading and fun with you all.

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