

PARENT BOOK CLUB

A group of parents meet once or twice a term to read and discuss children's and adult's literature. This is usually after school hours. A new children's and adult book are discussed at each meeting.

This is a fun, relaxed way to discover current and past trends in books. It enables you to increase knowledge of books that your children will be enjoying currently or in the future. It also gives you the opportunity to discuss books that you have read.

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Good children's literature appeals not only to the child in the adult, but to the adult in the child.

'We should turn out people who love learning so much and learn so well that they will be able to learn whatever needs to be learned.'

John Holt



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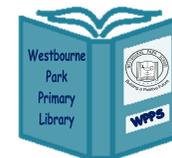
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**Westbourne Park
Primary School**

Welcome to the library



Resource Centre

The Library Resource Centre is managed by the Teacher Librarian (Jo Marshall) with the assistance of a School Services Officer (Barb Breavington) and parent help.

The Teacher Librarian is actively involved in developing children's learning and information skills, working closely with teachers and R-7 students in a variety of ways.

Working co-operatively with staff, the Teacher Librarian aims to:

- encourage a love of literature
- develop and teach 'Mindful Inquiry Units'
- assist children in locating and using a wide range of resources — from book to electronic formats
- develop children's independent research skills
- integrate ICT into learning.

The Library Resource Centre is open before and after school for borrowing books and at lunch times for games, reading and studying.

Parents are invited to share borrowing times with their children and to assist the children in book selections. Parents and preschool children are welcome to become library members. **We really welcome parent help.**

Helpful Hints

- Try to read with your child every night.
- Encourage them to show what they have borrowed and discuss the book with them.
- Keep the library books in a special area or box at home so they don't get mixed up with other books.
- Encourage your child to be organised with their returning. The more books they return the more they can borrow.
- You can return any weekday, in the mornings, lunch or after school. Books have a loan period of 2 weeks which can be renewed.
- You do not need a library bag to borrow but they do help to keep the books in good condition.
- Overdue notices are usually given out every fortnight. We understand that younger students take some time to learn the concepts of borrowing and returning so there may be some errors or problems. Don't worry, come and see us if you have any concerns.
- Books are available for borrowing over school holiday breaks.

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS



Twice a term, parents have an opportunity to order books through the Scholastic Book Club.

Once a year we hold a Book Fair where parents can come into the library and browse at their leisure.



- We strongly encourage all students at Westbourne Park Primary to do the Premier's Reading Challenge.
- Students can participate in this scheme by reading 12 books by early September (8 from an extensive Premier's Challenge list and 4 of their own choice).

The books are available for borrowing in our school library. We have placed some of them in coloured tubs for easy access. The books also have a sticker indicating they are from the PRC list.

As the children read the books they need to have the titles recorded on a form. This can be obtained from your child's teacher or the library. Children also need to put in the author's name and have each one signed off by a parent, teacher or librarian.

Students who successfully manage to read 12 books receive a certificate from the Premier for the first year they complete it and medals in the following years.

More information is available on the website; www.premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au

We believe this is a very worthwhile scheme. It is promoting reading by using some excellent children's books and all children are capable of being successful. We hope all children will receive a certificate or medal at our award ceremony in November.

Education is not the filling of a
pail,
but the lighting of a fire.
William Butler Yeats