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The Premier's Reading Challenge

Dear Parents/Carers,

Every year Fairvale Public School participates in The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC).

The NSW PRC is an initiative of the NSW State Government. It aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and enjoyment with access to quality literature, available in our well-resourced library. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student - to read more and to read more widely.

To complete the Challenge, students must read the following number of books based on their Challenge Level:

Challenge Level	Number of books you must read	Minimum number of PRC books	Maximum number of Personal Choice books	PRC booklists you can read from
K-2	30	25	5	K-2, 3-4, 5-6
3-4	20	15	5	3-4, 5-6, 7-9
5-6	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9
7-9	20	15	5	5-6, 7-9, 9plus
3-9 (see rules on PRC site)	20	15	5	All booklists

Our K-2 teachers regularly choose picture books from the PRC booklist to read to students. These readings are recorded on your child's online Reading Record.

Our 3-6 students must read books independently to record it on their Reading Record. Opportunities are given in library and in class, to read PRC texts and record their books online.

See the attachment for tips on how you can support your child to participate in the challenge.

If you have any questions about the challenge or need more support with logging on to the PRC website from home, our library staff are here to help.

Most of all, enjoy reading and sharing books with your child.

Yours sincerely,

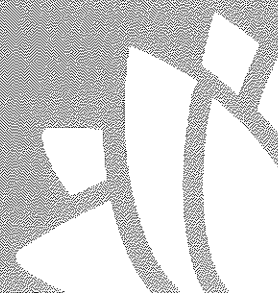


Miss Chloe Fletcher
Relieving Principal

Mrs Nhan Bawa
Teacher Librarian



Tips for Parents and Carers for Participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)



- ☐ Find out the name(s) of your school's PRC coordinator(s) and how they plan to administer the Challenge.
- ☐ Familiarise yourself with the PRC website. Logon is not required to view the *Booklists*, or read the *Rules* and *Frequently Asked Questions* (FAQs).
- ☐ Set reminders for Challenge opening and closing dates in your and your child's calendar.
- ☐ Find out your child's logon details. For public schools, students' logon will be the same one they use to access computers and the internet at school.
- ☐ Assist your child to borrow books from the school or local library. Listen to your child read and talk about the story/ characters/ information. Read to or with your child if she/he is participating in the K-2 Challenge.
- ☐ Help your child to add books to her/his Student Reading Record **regularly**. Log on and go to: Student Reading Records > enter books by ID or Title or Author. To enter a Personal Choice book, select the 'Add a Choice Book' tab > enter part of the title or author > select 'Search'. If your book appears as an option, select 'Add'. If it does not appear, scroll down to the 'Still can't find a book?' section > enter the full title and author > select 'Add'.
- ☐ Check your child's **Challenge history** – log on to the website, go to Student Reading Records and select tab 'My Information'. If Challenge participation at a previous school is not listed, contact your child's PRC coordinator.
- ☐ Contact your child's **PRC coordinator** if:
 - Your child has any difficulty using her/his logon details to access the PRC website.
 - You are concerned that your child's name is spelt incorrectly in the PRC website.
- ☐ Your child's online Student Reading Record (SRR) must have the required number of books recorded to complete the Challenge by the **student closing date**. School PRC coordinators have an extra week to validate the SRR. **Only students with a validated SRR are eligible for a certificate.**
- ☐ **In the final weeks of the Challenge, log on regularly to the website to check the status of your child's SRR.** Contact your child's PRC coordinator if you are concerned your child's SRR has not been validated.