

Library Newsletter – Final wrap up and thank you

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

It is with mixed emotions that I write this final newsletter. I am thrilled and excited about the new opportunities that await and the chance to be back on my own class; nevertheless, I will be very sad to say goodbye to the wonderful students and parents at Sacred Heart Pymble. You have made the last 4 years of my teaching career an absolute pleasure and have supported me with all of the crazy initiatives I have brought into the Integrated Learning space.

My fondest memories include meeting all of you at Book Fairs, watching the kids dress up in their home-made Roald Dahl outfits to celebrate his literary life, and taking part in Virtual Reality Maker Space. I have been so privileged to have worked alongside many of your bright and cheerful children in class and in leadership roles. I have enjoyed giving them opportunities to have their say by writing book reviews, running “Escape the Library” and colouring competitions and enjoying all of the AMAZING books in our collection. The buzz in the library at lunch is something utterly magnificent to behold!

Without your continued support I could not have brought in the World Book Online resource, run the TOM team, Maths Olympiad team or further enhanced our resources to support the INCREDIBLE growing success of the Premier’s Reading Challenge. I have watched in awe as students have challenged themselves with any task or project I set them, including building “fire-safe” houses, presenting an environment awareness forum to parents, making an insect book in Year 1, or coding Choose your own adventure stories. I have watched the students’ love of literature blossom and sky-rocket as they have found authors and stories they are passionate about each day. My favourite part of any day is when a child runs to the library just to tell me about a book they have just read and how much they loved it ... it brings me great joy and it has been an absolute pleasure to develop the children’s love of reading.

I wish you all the very best for the holiday season and continued prosperity, health and happiness throughout the years. Keep on reading, keep on exploring and keep on learning in our 21st Century Library space. I am sure I will see many of you around, as I will visit often. I know that you will be in good hands in 2019 and challenge you to continue to enjoy the library. As Albert Einstein once said, “the only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the LIBRARY.”

Finally, please return all books and home readers by the end of this week and thank you to those parents who have volunteered to help in Week 9. I will email you dates and times when I will be needing extra pairs of hands.

All the very best,

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