

# Book tastings – Year 5/6 Collection

Year 5 Library, Term 1, 2020

Year 5 students have access to the collection of fiction titles that are reserved for our senior grades. We'll begin this term with a few 'book tastings' to whet their appetite and hopefully spur them on to read some of these wonderful stories. I will encourage students to read *The Billionaire's Series* (comprising six books) by Richard Newsome; *Quest of the Sunfish* (a trilogy) by Mardi McConnochie; and plenty of other wonderful titles. Throughout the term, students will also have opportunities to share their own book recommendations with their peers. I will be urging all students to have a novel 'on the go' at all times, and to commit to reading for a set amount of time daily.

## Skills

- Using their own devices, access OPAC (from home and school) to search for books and check on availability (prior to visiting the library to borrow).
- Read blurbs / sample books / spend time exploring new genres and expanding reading repertoire
- Create a personal reading plan – commit to reading for a certain amount of time daily!
- Compile a Reading List and set a personal reading goal for 2020
- Regularly share book recommendations with peers / receive reading inspiration from peers

## Assessment

Whilst there is no formal assessment for Library, I frequently provide feedback to the classroom teacher regarding a student's progress or any difficulties they may be experiencing during library visits.

Please consider reading the same book as your Year 5 student so that you can enjoy wonderful conversations about the characters and story-line. This is one way of encouraging your child to read more – There is no better investment in their future than regular reading.

## Borrowing

Library lessons do not include 'borrowing'. Students will revisit the library for a 15-minute timeslot with their class teacher, specifically to browse the shelves and choose books to borrow. Year 5 students may borrow two books at a time.

## Contact

If you have any questions regarding Library or the progress of your child, please contact Janette Meulen – [jmeulen@princeofpeace.qld.edu.au](mailto:jmeulen@princeofpeace.qld.edu.au)

Kind regards,

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