Reading
We had a wonderful attendance at our reading information night on Tuesday. Thank you to all those who were able to make it. For those unable to attend, we have given your child a copy of the presentation. We were able to collaborate and share our ideas about reading and what reading is.

Reading is a complex process and involves many things, here are the ideas you came up with:
- Recognising words and understanding ideas
- Perception
- Understanding that letters have meaning only when they make words
- Listening
- Engaging
- Learning about new ideas
- Linking words to tell a story, teach us, explain, express an opinion
- Discovering
- Communicating
- Learning from the experiences of others you may never meet
- Comprehension
- Ability to read the words
- Understanding of another’s thoughts, ideas and stories
- Interpretation
- Problem solving
- Escapism, imagining and going on an adventure
- Understanding
- Learning about new words and concepts
- Gaining information
- Learning about new things
- Curiosity
- Understanding context (picture and text)
- Finding out about new interests and enjoying the ideas that evolve when reading
- Understanding words and their meaning in a sentence/story
- Understanding what you have read
- Enjoyable, relaxing and peaceful
- Knowledge

Reading is so many things. We all agree that reading is simply not just learning words. The articles that were handed out with the slides from the Reading Information Evening, discuss reading further and elaborate on some of the ideas shared.

*If we could have some parent volunteers to help put the folders together that would be wonderful, anyone willing to assist can speak directly with their child’s teacher.*
**Investigations**
Those children who have had the opportunity to take on the role of the focus child so far have really enjoyed the chance to share something from home with the class. Please ensure you read the timetable and note when it will be your child’s turn.

**Thank you**
Thank you to Fiona (Willoughby’s mum, PE) for taking the time to prepare the garden beds for the next planting.

**REMINDEERS**
Our first Tri Skills class begins on the 29\textsuperscript{th} of April. Please make sure you have returned the signed levy form so your child can participate.

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