

RESOURCES TO SUPPORT HOME LEARNING

You and your time are the best resource you have to support your child's learning from home. In addition to this there are some excellent online resources available, as well as a range of great hard copy and community resources. Please find an overview of these below.

<p style="text-align: center;">Online Resources</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Online resources for your child to use.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading Eggs (www.readingeggs.com.au) – Each child at St Mary's has been supplied with access to this program for 2014. Ask your child about their login information. • http://splash.abc.net.au/home - Australian education website with a wide range of interactive activities for most learning areas. • www.abckid.com.au – a range of different school readiness activities for literacy, numeracy, social skills and co-ordination. • BBC Schools (http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/0/25119208) – an English website full of activities for all subject areas suitable for children from Kindergarten to Year 6. • Cool Math for Kids (http://www.coolmath4kids.com/) – plenty of games and activities linked to maths. • IXL (http://au.ixl.com/) – maths games sorted by year level and aligned to the Australian Curriculum. • Count Me In Too (http://www.curriculumsupport.education.nsw.gov.au/countmein/children.html) – a range of maths related learning activities for children.
<p style="text-align: center;">Hard Copy Resources</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Books and printed resources for your child to use.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newsagency – A range of educational books targeted to a variety of areas such as NAPLAN preparation, spelling, sight words, basic maths facts, reading etc. • Woolworths/Coles/ALDI – these stores often sell cheap and simple workbooks for a range of literacy and numeracy skills. • Crazy Clarks/Wayne's World – plenty of art and craft resources available for a very reasonable price. • Book shops – treat your child to a new book as a reward for something. Taking them to the book store to choose their own book is also a great idea.
<p style="text-align: center;">Community Resources</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Community organisations and activities to consider being involved in.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richmond – Upper Clarence Regional Library – membership is free and a huge range of books, games, magazines, DVDs and CDs are available. Internet access is also provided. This is a great way to further support home reading. The Library also offers a range of free community events each month. Call in and see them for more information. Selecting reading material with your children is a great way to show them that you value reading as well. • Local sporting teams and clubs – local choices include Rugby League, Rugby Union, Tennis, Netball, Swimming, Hockey, Equestrian, Basketball, Martial Arts and Golf. • Dance, Music or Art Lessons – available locally in a range of specialty areas with group classes or individual tuition. • The Richmond Valley Council website has a calendar of community events, many of which are free. Check out www.richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au for more information.
<p style="text-align: center;">Parent Resources</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Resources to support parent education.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Studies Booklets "Helping your child..." These are available for purchase at https://bosho.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/links/shoponline.html • Schools A to Z (www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au) - a great website with numeracy and literacy worksheets, homework and assignment help, info on well-being, technology, school lunches etc. • Count Me In Too (http://www.curriculumsupport.education.nsw.gov.au/countmein/parents.html) – a website that provides some background information for parents about how children learn early mathematical concepts.