WHAT DOES THE RESOURCE CENTRE TEAM DO?
The Resource Centre Team is responsible for providing support to all staff and students across all areas of study. We purchase, prepare and promote the use of school resources. In collaboration with teaching staff the teacher-librarians involve the students in an inquiry based approach to learning. Our teaching and learning incorporates the use of a range of print media (books, posters, magazines, etc.), electronic media (Smartboard, DVD, TV, Internet, CDrom, etc.) and human resources. Lessons are planned in conjunction with classroom programs and designed to meet the individual class and student learning needs. Students are guided through the Information Process to help make their learning experience successful. These 6 steps are a cyclic process, which provide a scaffold for effective learning.

WHAT RESOURCES DO WE HAVE?
Playford-McAuley Campus Resource Centre provides a range of resources to suit the needs of our partners in learning at the local preschool through to the professional needs of staff. We cater for both academic and recreational reading. Our collection of resources includes:
- Fiction and non-fiction (information books)
- Reference (encyclopedia, dictionary, atlas, etc.)
- Magazines
- Educational videos & DVDs
- Teacher reference
- Computers
- Games
- Posters & picture packs
- Big books
- Audio visual equipment

HOW MANY BOOKS CAN STUDENTS BORROW?
Younger students are encouraged to borrow books for enjoyment, experimenting with their interests and reading abilities. Older students are encouraged to choose one or two recreational books and one or two titles for research to support their class learning.

Rec–Yr 2: 2 books  Yrs 3-5: 3 books  Yrs 6-7: 5 books

SPECIAL EVENTS
Playford-McAuley Campus celebrates Children’s Book Council of Australia’s Book Week in August. This year’s theme is “BOOK SAFARI”. We are continuing our successful participation in the Premier’s Reading Challenge for the 6th year with a chance for children to earn a certificate, bronze, silver, gold, champion or legends medal awarded by the office of Premier Mike Rann.

WHAT CAN I DO?
As a parent you are one of the most significant adults in your child’s journey through life as a learner. Before your child began school you guided them through many developmental stages (walking, talking, independent activity, etc.). In partnership with teachers, your child continues to need your encouragement and guidance throughout their school years to become confident and independent lifelong learners.

Here are some ideas for helping your child develop a love of reading and the skills needed to become an independent learner.

- Read with and to your child every day
- Be seen as a reader (newspapers, magazines, books)
- Talk with your child about selecting appropriate books for their reading ability and encourage small challenges
- Create a quiet, comfortable and relaxed environment for reading (bedtime stories make great childhood memories)
- Encourage your child to ask questions or to tell you in their own words what they have read to check for understanding
- Visit our Resource Centre or a public library with your child, allow time to browse and let them share with you their reading preferences

HOW CAN I HELP?
There are many ways you can help support the Resource Centre.

- Provide a strong plastic bag to put library books in to protect them from food, drinks, paint, dirt, etc.
- Please do not attempt to repair damaged books at home, return them to us and we will repair them with the appropriate materials
- Visit us if you have any queries about overdue books, your child’s choice of books or recommended reading

Volunteer support in the Resource Centre is greatly appreciated at any time. Volunteering gives you the chance to learn new skills, be part of a busy and productive team and help students achieve learning goals. See any one of the Resource Centre Team, your child’s class teacher or school administration for more information.

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