



# THE WAY



## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL & HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

**What a joy it was to see the children dress up and have fun for Book Week.** Thank you for coming along and being a part of the Book Week spirit. I greatly enjoyed reading 'Robert the Rose Horse' by Joan Heilbroner to the Junior School today. From the youngest to the oldest, I had their attention with a good book about a horse who sneezes! Thank you, Ms Hansford, for lending the book to me (it was a new read for me too!). It was originally written in the 1960s and is still able to capture the minds of children today. I personally love getting lost in a fantasy book because it stretches my mind and sweeps me away in an epic adventure. I hope you've been able to share with your child the kind of books you've enjoyed in the past as part of Book Week. It's not too late, the week isn't over yet!



As I walked around during the open classrooms after the parade, I saw students showcasing and sharing their learning with you. I trust this was a precious time of connection together as you got a glimpse into their learning journey and daily life at College for 2024. The warmth, smiles and community in the classrooms made for a lovely end to this special day.

Below are a few ideas to promote a love of reading in your homes. Why not pick one to do tonight or try one over the weekend?

- Read together with your child
- Read in front of your child (a book you love!)
- Visit a local library
- Watch read-aloud videos of books
- Participate in the Premiers Reading Challenge

- Encourage your child to write a story about their weekend and illustrate it
- Create a reading routine -such as before bed or after breakfast in a comfy, inviting place

**A friendly reminder that the College is closed on Monday so we will see you all again on Tuesday.**

*Be strong in the Lord and His mighty power - Ephesians 6:10*

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