



A Novel Idea “For the Love of Books”

Dear Parents/ Caregivers

From the 28th - 8th September (Week 6-7) our school Inquiry focus is, ‘A Novel Idea.’ This will run for two weeks, and include our annual Book Week, special activities and class learning related to books, novels, and authorship.

- We begin our Week 6 ‘Book Week,’ with an author visit from Stu Duval on Monday 28th August. Stu is a NZ author who has published such titles as, ‘The Golden Spark Plug of Awesomeness.’ Stu will be running workshops throughout the day, and will hold a storytelling session for all students in the hall.
- On Wednesday 30th August we will have our **Book Character Parade**. **Students dress up in their favourite book character of choice.** Start getting costumes ready, and come join us on the court from 9:10, as we celebrate the wonderful world of fiction. Following the Book Character Parade students may choose to stay in character for the day, or remove their tiaras’ and superhero costumes to wear mufti.
- **Scholastic Book Fair** with a huge variety of books, will be running in the office area all Week 6. Open for you and your child to come and see books on offer before school (8:30-9:00) and after school (2:45pm- 3:30pm). Purchases can be made throughout Week 6 at these times. Classes will visit the Book Fair on Tuesday 29th August, for students to have a chance to view the latest titles, along with all the classics.
- Over the two weeks of ‘A Novel Idea,’ students will be involved in several fun learning experiences including, “Stop, Drop, and Read!, Teacher Swap - Reading to class, Book Cover and Blurb Competition, and many other fun filled activities that celebrate books and the written word!
- Senior School Speech Finals, Thursday 31st August, 9:00-11:00am in the hall.
- Junior School Poetry Competition, Friday 8th September, 9:00-10:00am in the hall.
- Middle School Speech Finals, Friday 8th September, 11:30-1:00pm in the hall.
- **PTA Movie Night**, Friday 8th September, 5pm-7pm.

If you have any questions about A Novel Idea/Book Week, please don’t hesitate to discuss these with the classroom teacher or with Mr Bancroft

Mr Bancroft
Teacher in charge of, ‘A Novel Idea’/Book Week