



The Importance of Reading

Term 3

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Reading is an exciting activity that is often underestimated and under-prioritized for. We live in a busy world and live a busy life. There is something happening every day and, quite simply, 24 hours is a short timeframe to fit everything in to our busy schedules.

If practiced for a few short minutes each day, reading holds the ability to tie together a range of aspects. It develops a child's imagination and extends their level of creativity. Reading is a wonderful approach towards supporting a child's ability to dream. It supports their logical thinking, as well as develops problem solving skills. The reading of books and stories provoke curiosity and discussion and provides a platform for inspiration, thought and reflection.

Reading is a simple exercise than can be used to spend quality time together in a limited time frame. Reading assists in the development of literacy skills, language features and vocabulary. It also develops useful communication skills and a higher level of intelligence. A child is likely to learn more through reading. The more they learn, the more they will understand; and the more knowledge they hold, the more intelligent they will be.

In the demanding environment in which we live, reading can be used as a helpful stress reliever in more ways than one. When you read, you focus on whatever it is that you are reading. This slows down and relaxes your mind and you will find yourself to be naturally calm. Similarly, children also experience busy and overstimulating days and through the assistance of reading, a child is likely to acquire the habit of relaxation.

Quick tips to get your child to read

1. Books should be made available and easily accessible in your home.
2. Make reading fun by reading to your children with excitement and by using distinct voices.
3. Allow reading to become an important part of the day and set aside time for it. Just before bedtime is ideal!
4. Encourage your child to read.
5. Children are great imitators, so let them see you reading!

“The more you **read**
the more **things** you know.
The more that you **learn**
the more **places** you’ll go.”
-Dr. Seuss

HOME SCHOOL FACILITATION

At The Turning Point, we blend home schooling with an exciting classroom environment for a better individual learning experience, at an affordable cost. Our Home School Facilitation offers small classes that allow for individual attention, where every student is mentored. We have partnered with Brainline and offer an IEB accredited curriculum.

A bit about June...

Each of our students wrote the Brainline mid-year assessments. They have done very well and we are proud of their achievements.

- We have a 100% pass rate for the year so far.
- High school students received 80% and above in Afrikaans, Maths, Life Orientation and Technology.

Reviews

“What an amazing caring centre. The atmosphere is so conducive to learning and the teachers certainly teach with heart. A wonderful hands on “school”. –
Karen Blakeway

“What an incredible environment... kids and teachers alike are always happy and full of energy. Positive results every time!” –
Farrah Proome

- High school students received 70-80% in English, Art, EMS, Natural Science and Social Science.
- Senior Primary students received 80% and above in English and Zulu.
- Senior Primary students received 70-80% in Maths and Life Orientation.
- Junior Primary students all received 80% and above in Mathematics.

"Small, loving and homely. Provides a safe place for my kids to learn in a stress free environment." – *Laurianne Brown*

**Dont wait until it's too late!
Preparation for your end of year
exams starts now!**

Sign up for tutoring lessons in September and receive 10% off your first invoice in preparation for your November exams.

Congratulations!

Huge congratulations goes to our two top achievers in the Home School, Mkabayi Ntshiza (Grade 4) and Maxwell Randall (Grade 9), both received averages of over 70% for Term 2.

We are extremely proud of you!



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