School Libraries in Action

RIBIT Consent Form

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Dear Parent

The Library (Resource Centre and English) staff at <school/library name> have initiated a special reading program for all Year 8 classes. Its aim is simple: to help each student enjoy reading and to improve their literacy and reading skills by reading more.

The scheme is called **RIB-IT (Read In Bed – It’s Terrific)**. We have used a frog as our symbol.

**RIB-IT** occupies one period of English a week, but for its success we need the support of parents. You can help your child:

- By encouraging him/her to read regularly – almost every night for at least half an hour. Going to bed a little earlier with a book is a good way to start.
- Please look at the books your child brings home. You may like to read some of them yourself.
- We encourage students to join their local libraries which may have different resources. It will help if you encourage them to join too.
- Students should bring home their reading folder each month. Please read through the folder with your child before signing the Parent’s Check sheet inside the front cover. We welcome comments.
- Students are given certificates when they reach 10, 20, …. 100 books. Congratulate your child when he/she earns a certificate.
- Students will have other activities to complete including posters, writing, charts and Internet searches. Please be enthusiastic in helping your child when you can.

Reading and the development of good literacy skills is very important. With your support we can make **RIB-IT** an valuable and enjoyable part of education at <name of school/library>.

Principal: <Principal's Signature> 

Please return this form to your English teacher.
I have read this letter and will encourage my child to read at home each night.

Parent Signature: 

If you have any questions or comments please contact <Teacher Librarian/Librarian name> on <School Phone number>, or write them on the back of this form. Thank you.