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Recommended Holiday Learning During School Term Time

At St Martin de Porres we believe learning can and will take place wherever a child is, whether in school or on holiday during term time.

The opportunities to experience authentic, real life learning is provided by immersion in another place or culture or meaningful experience.

This learning however, is different to in-school learning which is based on a curriculum that is designed to be taught by teachers in school time.

This is what a learner will miss by holidaying during the school term

To help reduce the impact of absence from class learning time, the following suggestions are provided to assist parents support the learning of their child/ren when on holidays.

1. Read each day.

Visit your local library before your holiday and borrow a selection of books to use for reading by yourself, with an adult or for an adult to read to you.

Or use your library barcode to log on to Sunshine Online

(This website offers animated and interactive learning in literacy and maths with over 370 levelled animated texts and 1000 fun, interactive activities and games)

or Story box library (Story Box Library features engaging online stories aimed at Australian primary school-aged children read by authors, actors and other well-known identities.)

<u>Altona Library</u>	<u>Altona Meadows Library and Learning Centre</u>	<u>Altona North Community Library</u>	<u>Library at Newport Community Hub</u>	<u>Williamstown Library</u>
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2. Create a holiday journal that will be a memento of your experience.
 - Record what you see, hear, feel, think, wonder and notice
 - Write/draw/label an entry for some days
 - include the day and date and write an entry about what you did, where you went, who you spent time with, what you learnt, found out, found funny, what you ate, what you liked/disliked, what you enjoyed etc.
 - Include some illustrations and diagrams
 - Each day write down two discoveries and two wonderings
 - Each day record two fun facts, two opinions and two feelings
 - Paste in any tickets, interesting food wrappers, passes, cards or souvenirs etc that you collect
3. Learning Grids for each Year level are located on our website
4. Learning activity books that match a child's grade level or age can be purchased from post office shops and newsagents.

Another useful website is:

<https://www.khanacademy.org/>

A range of Mathematics games and learning activities can be found on the Mathematics Association of Victoria website - see the link below.

[MAV Learning Activities](#)

This is what the school recommends you do to support and supplement the in-school learning when your child will not be present.

Most importantly, have a safe and enjoyable holiday creating lifelong memories with your child/ren.

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