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Dear Parent/Guardian

Welcome to the 2022 Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge.

Every Victorian child deserves the best start in life and reading plays a big part in that.

Through the Challenge, we're encouraging our children to read as much as they can – to build literacy skills and spark a lifelong love of learning.

It's great to see so many young Victorians get involved in this year's Challenge.

For young readers, each year's Challenge invites parents and carers to read 40 books with their child over the next six months. So mums and dads, and kids can share special moments together.

For students from Prep to Year 2, the Challenge is to read or experience 30 books. For students in Years 3 to 10, the Challenge is to read 15 books. Waiting inside each book is adventure, love and heartbreak and lessons for life – tales we will remember forever.

I encourage you to visit the official <u>Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge Facebook</u> <u>page</u> and join the community of participating parents and teachers. You can share stories, stay informed and celebrate your child's journey through the Challenge.

And if you have a younger child in Kinder, look out for our free Kinder Kits, which are made locally and include free books and toys to give your child the best start.

Good luck to you and your children for this year's Challenge.

Yours sincerely

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