

Dear Parents,

You may have heard your child talking about the exciting online reading program called Bug Club! Bug Club is like an enormous virtual book bag for children, teachers and parents too. There is a lot of support throughout the program to help parents provide the vital encouragement children need to continue their reading journey at home as well as at school.

The Year 1 students have already experienced Bug Club in their classroom and computer room and now they can read at home too. Students in Year 1 will have their own username and password just like Mathletics. The site may be accessed by going to https://www.activelearnprimary.com.au or by clicking on the link on the school website.

The school code is: hnps.

From your child's personalised Bug Club homepage, you can understand where your child is in terms of reading ability and find out what you can do to help your child, such as hearing him/her read aloud, listening together to the e-book narration or simply sharing in your child's delight as they complete the online quizzes and earn more 'Bug Points'.

Students in Year 1 are encouraged to read a *combination* of home readers and online Bug **Club readers.** Bug Club is not intended to replace home readers but could be an alternative on some evenings. So for example, a student may read home readers on two evenings and read online from their Bug Club books on the other two evenings. Students may simply write BUG CLUB in their home reader on the evenings they read online as book titles are listed electronically.

As with other programs such as Mathletics we appreciate that not everyone has access to a computer at home. Please make your Class Teacher aware if this is the case so that extra provision can be made for your child in class.

Happy reading!

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