

Valtorta College

Report on the Use of Promotion of Reading Grant (2024-2025)

Part 1: Evaluation of the Effectiveness

The major objectives for the Promotion of Reading Grant in 2024-2025 are:

1. To motivate students to read more e-books
2. To cultivate a reading culture among F.1 students through an Extensive Reading Programme
3. To cultivate reading habits among students through organizing reading activities and talks

Evaluation of the Strategies adopted:

1. To motivate students to read more e-books

The reading platform English Builder was purchased for the 2024-2025 academic year to motivate students to read more extensively, including both fiction and non-fiction books. Students were provided with a great variety of texts to read, as well as interactive activities and questions to answer as follow-up tasks. Around 9 junior form students were awarded by the English Builder platform for their outstanding performances.

2. To cultivate a reading culture among F.1 students through an Extensive Reading Programme

The Chinese Department purchased Chinese fiction books titled “一米四八” for the incoming F.1 students who will read the book together and complete a book report presentation in class. This initiative aims to foster a love for reading and enhance cultural understanding among incoming F.1 students by engaging them in a shared literary experience.

3. To cultivate reading habits among students through organizing reading activities and talks

Life-wide Reading Week 2024-2025, themed ‘Authors in Hong Kong 香港. 作. 家’, was held in December 2024. Two famous Chinese authors (譚劍 and 陳浩基) were invited to give a talk to our students, which they found very inspiring and educational. In addition, a series of reading activities (e.g. book cover design competitions, book report competition, book sharing during cycle assembly and reading periods) were organized to cultivate students’ reading habits. Prizes were prepared to reward students with outstanding performances and participation.

Part 2: Financial Report

	Items	Estimated Expenses (\$)	Actual Expenses (\$)
1.	Purchase of Books	40,000	
	• Books		19,833
	• E-books (English Builder)		33,000
2.	Extensive Reading Programme (Chinese Department)	15,000	6,825
3.	Reading Activities	10,000	
	• Hiring writers and professional storytellers to conduct talks		5,000
	• Prizes and awards of reading activities		5,997.42
	Total:	65,000	70,655.42

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Plan for the Use of Promotion of Reading Grant (2025-2026)

The major objective for the Promotion of Reading Grant in 2025/26 is:

1. To foster a reading culture among students

	Items	Estimated Expenses (\$)
1.	Purchase of Books for Library	\$40,000.00
2.	Book Fair	\$10,000.00
3.	Reading Activities - Hire of service from external service providers to organize student activities related to reading.	\$10,000.00
	Total:	\$60,000.00