



# Library Happenings!

## Reading Challenge

Have you challenged yourself to read a book each month yet?

Pick up a book and you just might

**"Discover or rediscover the joy of reading"!**



**Need a Book to Read?**

**Come and browse the shelves and try out our Reading Chair!**

## QHS Library has a new Library System

### We have Upgraded from Oasis to Oliver

Login to your Student Portal using your DECInternet Username and Password to check out our new interactive QHS Library Homepage.



Click this Link **"Oliver Library"**. This takes you to the QHS Library Home Page where you can search the Library as well as go directly to the Online Study Skills Handbook.

## This is our new Interactive QHS Library Homepage.

The screenshot shows the Quirindi High School Library Homepage. At the top, there's a header with the NSW Education & Communities logo and the school name. Below that is a navigation menu with 'Home', 'My Library', and 'Other Searches'. The main content area is divided into several sections: a search bar, a 'Welcome! My Library summary' section with links for Messages, Current Loans, Overdue Loans, Reservations, and Bookings, and several featured sections: 'Online Study Skills Handbook' with a 'Log in' button, 'Searching the library' with a search box and 'Junior search - Orbit', 'New Books in the Library' with a 'Need something to read?' prompt and book covers, 'Featured author Sue Lawson', 'New resources', and 'Buddie'.

On this homepage you can:

- check out what loans
  - make reservations
  - publish reviews on books you have read,
  - check out reading lists
- and more

This is a great new system, which you now have access to 24-7 through your Student Portal. Make the most of this Library page and find out just what is available in our Library.

## TWO REVISION STRATEGIES to try during the Holidays TEACH IT

Useful for anything.

What to do:

Teach someone else what you want to learn.

Why does it work?

- Because other people don't always understand what you mean, so they ask questions which help you to express yourself more clearly. These questions make you think about the meaning of what you've learned, so you have to understand it, rather than just remember the words you learned.

## **MAKE A MOVIE**

Especially useful for:

- Remembering “stories”; whether real or fictional.
- Can also be used for any process.

What to do:

A) Make up a role play, silly sketch, dramatic speech and perform it.

If you video it, you can watch it too. Try adding in an extra element when you watch it, such as writing notes (doodled or written), to add an ‘active’ process rather than just watch passively.

OR

B) Make a video of yourself ‘teaching’ what you want to learn and watch it. Add in an extra element when you watch it, such as writing notes (doodled or written), to add an ‘active’ process rather than just watch passively.

Why does it work?

Because it is active, whilst you're making it, visual and auditory when you watch it, so it engages all our different ways of learning.

**Source:** Jordan, A. (2013). Revision Strategies. Retrieved May 12, 2015, from <http://www.tesaustralia.com/teaching-resource/Revision-Strategies-6332265/>

**Enjoy a safe and fun filled holiday. Remember to  
take some time to sit, relax and read!**



### **Need Help?**

Make sure you ask us for help.  
Happy Reading and Studying!  
Mrs Owen – Teacher Librarian  
Mrs Sweep – SAS Library