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Did you know?

THE film Shrek is loosely based on a children's picture book published in 1990, named Shrek! by William Steig. The movie won the first Academy Award for Best Animated Feature for 2001.



Family movie nights

THE FLICKS

GRAB the token from your newspaper each day to collect the DVD collection featuring some of DreamWorks' best flicks.

Rio

Saturday, October 21
Blu is an exotic species of macaw – the last of his kind. He is taken to Rio de Janeiro in Brazil to help save his species along with female macaw, Jewel. This 2011 colourful comedy adventure follows the pairs struggle to escape smugglers.

Shrek

Sunday, October 22
The 2001 film focuses on an ogre named Shrek whose swamp is overrun by fairy tale creatures, banished there by evil Lord Farquaad. Shrek makes a deal with the Lord and sets out with a talking donkey to rescue Princess Fiona and take her to Farquaad but Shrek discovers a shocking secret about her.

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn

Monday, October 23
The Voyage of the Dawn Treader, the third novel in C. S. Lewis's epic fantasy series The Chronicles of Narnia, is a 2010 fantasy adventure film. Edmund and Lucy return to help the new king save Narnia from a corrupting evil that resides on a dark island.



MOVIE SNACKS

Maltesers are a movie time favourite so why not try this version.
Malteser and Mars Bar Slice
Ingredients: 1 cup Maltesers; 4 Mars Bars; ½ cup condensed milk; 250g chocolate ripple biscuits; 100g butter; 400g milk chocolate; 1 tsp vegetable oil.
Directions
Line the base and sides of a slice tin with baking paper. Finely crush the biscuits. Roughly crush the Maltesers. Chop the Mars Bars into small pieces. In a small saucepan over a low heat, melt the butter and condensed milk, stirring until combined. Add Maltesers and Mars Bars to the biscuits and stir through. Add the melted butter and condensed milk and stir until combined. Pour the mixture into the slice tin and flatten with the back of a metal spoon. Place in fridge until it has completely cooled. Melt chocolate and add 1 teaspoon of vegetable oil to the melted mixture, making sure you stir it in. Pour the melted chocolate over the cooled slice and then decorate with Maltesers. Return to fridge and cut into pieces before it has completely set.

WHILE watching a film on the big screen at the cinema is a great experience, we live in an age of home entertainment and there are many great movies we can watch with the family gathered around the television set.

Sometimes the most difficult part about watching a movie is choosing what you are going to watch because of the amount of choices available.

Film reviews are useful as they tell you about the storyline and give you a judgment about the quality.

Be sure to browse your newspaper for movie reviews and the many websites dedicated to giving recommendations.

Writing a movie review

The overall purpose of a movie review is to recommend whether it's worth watching.

The review should give enough details about the movie that the reader can make an informed decision, but it is important to remember a film review is an opinion and only meant to be a guide.

- A review needs to:
- tell people who is in the film, who it is by and where or when readers can see it.
 - describe the story, characters and some of the action - without giving too much away.
 - give an opinion on whether the film is good or not and why the reader should or should not see it.

TOMORROW : Family movie nights – Part 4



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