

# SERPENTINE PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Homework Policy 2024

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At Serpentine Primary School, we believe in fostering a learning environment that is explicit and enriching. Every moment spent in the classroom is dedicated to meaningful learning experiences. Recognising the explicit nature of our educational approach, coupled with insights gathered from a recent parent survey, we have made a conscious decision not to mandate set homework beyond daily reading for Pre-Primary to Year 4. We understand the importance of family time and the need for students to unwind and engage in extracurricular activities outside of school hours. To align our students with the expectations of high school, we will introduce a designated amount of homework for students in Years 5 and 6, ensuring they are well-prepared for the challenges and responsibilities that come with their transition to the next academic level.

## **Overview:**

### **1. Daily Reading (highly encouraged):**

All students are expected to engage in daily reading. Decodable phonics books will be sent home weekly for students in Pre-Primary to Year 2 to support early literacy development.

### **2. Math Fact Fluency Apps (highly encouraged):**

Serpentine Primary School has invested in subscriptions to Times Tables Rock Stars and NumBots, two educational apps designed to enhance students' math fact fluency. These apps provide individualised and adaptive learning experiences, focusing on mathematical skills development.

### **3. Ninja Maths Practice Sheets (optional for PP-4)**

Students have the option to take home Serpentine PS Ninja Maths practice sheets. These sheets are particularly beneficial for preparing for upcoming math tests, where students can earn badges at various proficiency levels. Participation in this optional practice is encouraged but not mandatory.

### **4. Year 5/6 further homework tasks (highly encouraged):**

This may include pre-reading chapters for in-class novel studies, and further Math practice. The completion of homework tasks will carry no formal consequences, however students who complete their homework in Year 5-6 will be rewarded with RRAP rewards.