



## Tips for Homework

- ▶ Minimise distractions. If there are younger siblings around, give them something to do away from the child that is doing homework.
- ▶ Read the homework tasks together to check understanding.
- ▶ Break the task down into smaller steps which will seem more achievable and less overwhelming.
- ▶ Make a plan / 'to do' list. This will add a sense of achievement as tasks are completed.
- ▶ Talk about learning from mistakes, encourage your child to replace 'I can't do it' with 'I can't do it YET.'
- ▶ Comment positively on their determination and focus.
- ▶ Help your child to check their work, but also encourage them to use technology to become more independent e.g. read aloud apps and spell checker to help with proofreading.
- ▶ Establish a routine. Set a time frame with a break / reward e.g. favoured activity after homework task is completed.
- ▶ Beware of demanding too much. Recognise when your child has had enough and move them on to another activity or take a break.

