

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

### Will I need to register my child for the 1001 Books Before School Program?

Yes, we use Beanstack to record participants of the 1001 Books Before School Program. You can access this through our website <a href="https://www.onkaparingacity.com/libraries">www.onkaparingacity.com/libraries</a>, through the Beanstack app or through a library staff member.

### How do I record the number of books my child has read?

You can choose to record your child's reading in the booklet provided at registration or you can record through the Beanstack software.

## Do I need to write the titles of the books in the squares in the passport or online?

You can write the title of the book in the squares if you would like to keep a record of the books you read to your child, otherwise you can colour in the square or use a tick or cross to mark the square. Online you can choose to record each title individually or simply note how many books your child has read.

### Can I read the same book more than once to my child?

Yes, you can read the same books as many times as your child requests it to be read to them.

## Can I use one passport or registration for all my children as I usually read to them all at the same time?

We would prefer you to have one passport or registration for each child to save any confusion. Each child will then receive a small incentive prize at each milestone they reach.

### What is the final prize for completing the program?

Every child will receive a book and a certificate on completion of the program.

### Does my child need to be a member of the library?

Yes, we think it is a great start in life for children to be read to by their parents or caregivers; it is also very exciting for children to have their own library card. It is free and doesn't take long to organise.

# What happens when my child is read to by others at childcare or when visiting grandparents, for example?

It is up to you. It would be great to be able to record these reading sessions as well. Perhaps speak to the other people who care for your child (children) and ask them if they are willing to support you by recording the books they read.

### How long will it take to read 1001 books?

If you read for 15 minutes a day (approximately 3 books) it will be easy to read 1001 books in a year. Reading every day is a great habit to get in to and it gives you a chance to sit down for a little while too!

- 1 book per night is 1095 books read in 3 years.
- 10 books per week is 1040 books read in 2 years.
- 3 books per night is 1095 books read in 1 year.

### What if my child starts school before completing the program?

You have until the end of term 1 of the year your child starts school to complete the program.

### Do the books read have to be library books?

No, any book that is read can be recorded.

### Can I count books read by my child on an iPad, computer or eReader?

Yes, but the program is about the child being read to so it doesn't count if the child isn't with an adult who can interact with them when reading books in an electronic format. Parent or caregiver participation also applies if you wish to count books read by TV presenters, such as Playschool.

### Can I count books read to my child prior to registration?

No, the program begins for your family on the day you register

### Can I count books read to my child at the library by staff?

Yes, you certainly can!

