



HOMEWORK

POLICY

Rationale

Homework benefits students by complementing classroom learning, fostering good study habits and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning.

Aims:

- To encourage the establishment of independent work habits.
- To encourage the development of time management and organisational skills.
- To make parents aware of the learning process.
- To provide an opportunity to consolidate what has been learned at school.

Implementation:

- The school's homework policy will be distributed to parents at the commencement of each school year.
- Classroom teachers will set daily homework appropriate to each child's skill level and age as set out below

Prep – nightly (includes sight vocabulary list), incidental tasks, collect pictures for particular theme being covered in class. Students are encouraged to write, draw and revise number facts/sounds/letters at home.

Grade 1 – oral reading and sight vocabulary list, collect pictures/objects/information for class themes, number facts – addition & subtraction to 20

Grade 2 – daily oral reading, weekly task sheet, weekly number facts (automatic response to 20 – addition & subtraction tables), collect information for class themes

Grade 3 – daily reading/recording, weekly literacy tasks, weekly task sheet for number facts – tables, research activities or collect information for class themes

Grade 4 – daily reading/recording, weekly literacy tasks, revision of tables/number facts, research or collect materials for class themes

Grade 5 – daily reading/recording, daily revision of list words and tables, research or collect materials for class themes

Grade 6 – daily reading/recording of reading both oral & silent, revision of weekly words, daily revision of tables and occasional completion of Maths activities, research or collect materials for class themes.

- In P-4 daily homework tasks generally should not exceed 30 minutes
- In Year 5 daily homework tasks generally should not exceed 45 minutes
- In Year 6 daily homework tasks generally should not exceed 60 minutes
- all written/reading homework should be signed by a parent. Incomplete homework may be finished at school during students' own time
- Teachers (and parents/carers) should assist students with time management skills
- occasionally unsatisfactory/uncompleted tasks will be repeated. Work missed due to holiday/illness may need to be addressed

Formalised homework tasks to be set Monday to Thursday (no weekends or holidays) – special circumstances may be considered. Students are however, encouraged to read daily

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in.... 2010