



Homework

Rationale

Homework benefits students by complimenting classroom learning, fostering good reading habits and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning. We take into consideration the need for students to have a balanced lifestyle. This includes sufficient time for family, sport and recreation and cultural pursuits. It is important that homework provides students with opportunities to practice skills, review content and deepen understanding of concepts learned. Homework and practice can also help students to develop self-regulation processes, such as time management and study skills.

Aims

To support class learning, develop positive study habits and to develop a responsibility for self-learning.

Implementation

- The school's homework policy will be distributed to parents at the commencement of each school year.
- Students in all grades will be allocated homework diaries or home reading diaries.

Home work will be set as follows:

Prep -2:

- Reading 15 mins per night
- High Frequency words 5 mins per night

Grades 3-6:

- Reading 15 mins per night
- 5 mins number per night – facts practise
- 5 mins spelling per night – word practise

There may be times when students will be asked to gather materials such as photos or interview a member of the family etc. for a survey or class project

Teachers will sign the weekly reading diary.

Non-completion of homework tasks may be discussed on an individual basis between teacher and student(s).

Parents are required to sign nightly reading.

Schools should:

- Advise parents of homework expectations at the beginning of the school year and provide them with a copy of the homework policy
- Follow up with parents if a student regularly fails to complete homework



Evaluation

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's annual cycle.
- *This Policy was ratified at School Council in December 2018 . Will be reviewed in 2019 unless amendments need to be made at earlier date.*