

Homework Policy

Homework is valuable as it reinforces classroom learning, improves the study skills of students and provides developing independence and time management opportunities for parents/caregivers to be involved in their child's learning.

We believe that students need to have a balance of after school activities. Participation in sports, music, drama, art or play times are highly valued as they contribute towards a child's social, emotional and physical development. We recognise that time commitments of families may make it difficult for all students to complete homework each night. To aid in the completion of homework tasks flexible time frames will be provided whenever possible.

Early Years (Rec,1,2)

The main purpose of homework is to develop partnerships with parents and carers and involve them actively in their children's learning. All students are expected to read each night. This may involve your child reading to you, you reading to your child or reading together. When your child is ready, homework will include key sight work practice, counting aloud and learning simple number facts. Developing independence and time management.

Middle primary (Year 3, 4)

All children are expected to read every night. Student's also complete numeracy tasks such as times tables and number facts.

Upper primary (Year 5, 6, 7)

All students are expected to read every night. Student's also complete weekly numeracy tasks such as times tables practice. Students undertake independent learning tasks providing opportunities to gain independence and time management skills.

Additional Homework:

Added homework may be provided by the classroom teacher based on the current class learning areas. This may include:

- A task that reflects the learning that has happened in the classroom
- Revision of previously covered learning in the classroom
- A mixture of set tasks and choice in homework activities
- Set family tasks
- Negotiated with parents/caregivers annually as part of their child's One Plan
- Online Learning programmes such as IXL Maths and IXL English

Time Allocation

Homework may be set up to a maximum of four nights a week.

The suggested amount of time spent on homework on any given night is:

Reception – Year 2	5 - 15 minutes
Year 3 – 5	5 - 30 minutes
Years 6 – 7	10 - 45 minutes

Students are encouraged to complete their homework tasks within the above time frame.

No student is expected to work longer than the allocated time. If your child is consistently spending more time on their homework than has been allocated please contact the class teacher.

Further extension work

Extension homework tasks can be discussed with your child's classroom teacher.

For fluency practice ask your child's teacher for recommended website links and Apps.