

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. Homework also provides the opportunity for parents to engage with students and teachers about learning progress.

Aims:

- To support and extend classroom learning.
- To develop a responsibility for self-learning.

Implementation:

- Classroom teachers will set homework appropriate to each child's skill level and age.
- Homework activities should be interesting, challenging and where appropriate, open-ended.
- Each set task must be purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the current classroom curriculum.
- Where appropriate, homework activities must be assessed with feedback and support provided by teachers.
- Homework expectations will be communicated to families at the start of each term.

Prep (Foundation)

- **Reading** - Nightly (Monday to Thursday)
- **Starwords** - Ongoing priority
- **Mathletics** - (1 task set each Monday)

Year 1/2

- **Reading** - 15 minutes of reading, recorded in their student reading log (At least three nights per week)
- **Numeracy** - Minimum of one set task to be completed on Mathletics each week.
- **Spelling** - Year 1 students to complete Star/Oxford words practise and tested fortnightly

Homework is encouraged and checked by teachers. If students have not completed their Mathletics task for two consecutive weeks, students may be required to complete the tasks during part of their break time in accordance with DET guidelines.

Year 3/4

- **Reading** - 20-30 minutes of reading, recorded in their student reading log (At least three nights per week)
- **Numeracy** - Minimum of 2 set tasks to be completed on Mathletics each week
- **Optional projects each Semester which may involve:**
 - A Leader In Me focus
 - Inquiry Unit focus
 - Personal Choice
- **Specialist** - Language Perfect

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Year 5/6

- **Reading** - 40 minutes of reading with title, pages and time spent reading recorded in their student diary (At least three nights per week)
- **Numeracy** - Minimum of three set tasks completed on Maths Online
- **Diary Entries** - A minimum of three detailed entries each week
- **Optional projects each Semester which may involve:**
 - A Leader In Me focus
 - Inquiry Unit focus
 - Personal Choice
- **Specialist** - Language Perfect

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Evaluation:

This policy was last updated in September 2020 and is scheduled for yearly review in February 2021.