

Homework Policy



Help for non-English speakers

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Rationale:

- Homework provides an opportunity to; consolidate, revise and extend reading habits covered in class time.
- Homework provides students with good life long study habits.
- Homework should be relevant, meaningful, monitored and part of a partnership between the student, teacher and parents.
- Homework provides opportunities for children to be responsible for their own learning.

Aims:

- encourage students to think, act and accept responsibility for themselves to complete their nightly reading
- give parents an opportunity to discuss/negotiate reading timelines, and be involved with their children's reading thus providing a model of appropriate attitude to learning
- provide an opportunity to complement and reinforce reading decoding and comprehension strategies
- provide an opportunity for students to delve deeper into their reading and to research areas of interest
- develop positive self-organisation and study habits.

Guidelines:

Homework will be:

- appropriate to the student's skill level and age
- purposeful and meaningful
- interesting and challenging
- assessed by teachers with feedback and support provided during class activities
- balanced with a range of recreational, family and cultural activities
- reading of levelled texts, 'Good Fit' books and sight words where needed.

Implementation:

- Children are encouraged to find a regular time to complete their reading
- Class teachers will provide differentiated reading texts according to the learning needs and interests of their students
- Parents/Carers are encouraged to communicate with their child's teacher if there are any concerns with reading texts, content and time lines.

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Homework will consist mainly of:

- reading activities to, with and/or by parents/caregivers or older siblings
- learning to read Essential sight words – where applicable

Evaluation:

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

This policy was last ratified by School Council in: December 2023