



# Homework Policy

## **RATIONALE**

Homework is an aspect of school that encourages children to take responsibility for their own learning and to make decisions to benefit their learning. Homework provides children with opportunities to become more successful learners through consolidation of learned classroom content. Homework is a connection between school and home and it is an opportunity through which parents can monitor their child's understanding of concepts taught. This process is considered by all to be a valued and an integral part of a child's learning journey.

## **PROCEDURES**

- Homework assignments will be clear, relevant and purposeful.
- Assigned homework will relate directly to concepts and tasks taught in the classroom.
- Homework activities will include daily reading and may include sight words, spelling and mental maths.
- The amount of time set for homework will be age appropriate. Relaxation and activities outside of school are important aspects of the child's total development and their value is not to be underestimated.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Leadership Team**

- Ensure that homework is set in relation to the agreed homework policy and reflects the Western Australian Curriculum and Assessment Outline and school plans.
- Ensure the School Homework Policy is available to staff, students and parents.
- Support staff, where required, with the implementation of the Homework Policy.

### **Classroom Teacher**

- Set homework within the guidelines of the school's homework policy and at a level appropriate for students.
- Teachers may choose to use Educational programs (for example: Mathletics)
- Keep a record of homework set.
- Ensure set homework is sighted i.e. seen by the teacher as complete/incomplete.
- Inform parents of those students who regularly do not complete homework.
- Respond to parent queries relating to homework .

**Parent**

- Assist their child by providing an appropriate home study area free from distraction.
- Assist students in developing organisational and time-management skills.
- Support the student to be successful with their homework by providing guidance where required.
- Liaise with the classroom teacher where there are queries about homework.
- Inform the class teacher why homework may not have been completed.

**Student**

- Seek help from their parents or teacher if they are having difficulty.
- Have the resources necessary to undertake homework.

**Homework Times Allocation for Each Year Level**

<b>Pre Kindy &amp; Kindergarten</b>	No Written Homework
<b>Pre Primary</b>	Semester 2 Reading 5 Minutes
<b>Year 1</b>	10 Minutes
<b>Year 2 - 4</b>	20 Minutes
<b>Year 5 - 6</b>	30 Minutes