



Homework Policy

Rationale:

Homework provides students with the opportunities to consolidate learning undertaken within the classroom and to practise skills on a regular and ongoing basis.

Key considerations:

- Parents should be informed early in the year as to the class teacher’s homework expectations and to the homework policy held by the school.
- Teachers will monitor children’s progress in relation to homework. Parents may be informed if, in the teachers’ judgment, homework completion may be impacting on student performance or progress in a certain area.
- Ongoing research tasks and projects are to be undertaken in classroom time and not sent home as an independent homework assignment. Only small amounts of finishing off could be sent home (10 min activities) e.g. rehearsing speeches, presentations etc.

Recommended and Optional Homework Activities Per Year Level:

<u>KINDERGARTEN</u>	
<u>Recommended</u>	<u>Optional/Additional</u>
Reading Poetry with parents – A poetry folder to be sent home. Recommended 3 times per week. Better Beginnings – Children to read shared books with parents.	
<u>PRE-PRIMARY</u>	
<u>Recommended</u>	<u>Optional/Additional</u>
Reading Poetry with parents – A poetry folder to be sent home. Recommended 3 times per week. Decodable Readers- Recommended 10min reading per night	-Spelling activities to support the ‘sound focus’ being learnt in the classroom.
<u>YEAR 1 – YEAR 3</u>	
<u>Recommended</u>	<u>Optional/Additional</u>
Reading: Between 10-20min reading per night Spelling: Maximum of 10 words	-Basic facts practise such as addition facts, skip counting, times tables. -Online programs and apps such as BouncEd, Studyladder, ZooWhiz.
<u>YEAR 4 – YEAR 6</u>	
<u>Recommended</u>	<u>Optional/Additional</u>
Reading: Between 10-20min reading per night. Literacy Pro Lexile (levelled) reading books to be introduced in 2018. Spelling: Maximum of 10 words	-Basic facts practise such as times tables etc. -Online programs and apps such as BouncEd, Studyladder. -Spelling activities that can be completed to reinforce practise of 10 list words. -Occasional completion/finishing off of work not completed within an adequate allowance of classroom time.

