



No 1 Homework Policy

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Rationale:

As a school we wish to value the home learning that students engage in and the learning connections made between school and home. We do not support setting the 'traditional homework' where students are given additional work for set periods of time each night.

Many students engage in after school learning activities including sport, drama groups and clubs. As a school we encourage this and recognise the learning and skills associated with many of these activities.

Any work at home should value add to a student's learning experience.

Policy Points:

- 1.1 As a part of our literacy strategy, students below Level 30 should be reading a school levelled reader (1 – 2 levels lower than their tested level) for 20 minutes + each night (7 days). This should include reading aloud to parents and parents reading to their child.
- 1.2 Students over Level 30 are encouraged to establish a regular reading time and habit.
- 1.3 Students, as a group, may be asked to engage in activities, which will help to prepare them for a future learning project or task.
- 1.4 Individual students may be asked to complete a task started at school.
- 1.5 Individual students may be asked to engage in an activity that will prepare them for future learning or strengthen their basic skills.
- 1.6 Students with negotiated plans may have documented learning activities or programs that involve learning at home and at school.
- 1.7 Students are always encouraged, and may choose, to undertake self initiated and managed learning activities based on their interests.
- 1.8 Students will not be asked to do work at home for the sake of 'doing homework'. Teachers must be able to justify the value of any task set.
- 1.9 Parents are asked to support students who are undertaking learning tasks at home. Providing time, space and assistance as appropriate.
- 1.10 Students are expected to engage with any after school learning activity to the best of their ability.
- 1.11 Parents are asked to use their judgement about learning activities at home. Students should not be spending more than an hour unless they are highly motivated to finishing a task or achieving a goal.