



## HOMWORK POLICY

### PURPOSE

Homework is given to the children to complement classroom learning through reinforcement of work already covered in class and to foster study habits and time management skills.

### GOALS

Homework helps students by:

- complementing and reinforcing classroom learning
- fostering good lifelong learning and study habits
- providing an opportunity for students to become responsible for their own learning
- developing self-regulation processes such as goal-setting, self-efficacy, self-reflection and time management
- supporting partnerships with parents by connecting families with the learning of their children

### IMPLEMENTATION

- Time spent on homework needs to be flexible and negotiated taking into account both its purpose and nature of the task

Foundation to Year 3	Year 4- 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ can foster a sense of self-discipline and responsibility and prepare students for upper grades</li><li>❖ enables the extension of class work by practising skills or gathering of extra information or materials</li><li>❖ will mainly consist of daily reading to, with, and by parents/carer or older siblings</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ Should include daily independent reading up to 60 minutes per week</li><li>❖ may extend class work, projects and assignments, essays and research</li><li>❖ may include other tasks at teacher discretion, including modified or remedial tasks</li></ul>

- Expectations relating to homework will be conveyed via information evenings and informal contact
- Homework set needs to be consistent across each year level i.e. similar amounts, expectations for all grade 3 children
- Homework activities may be differentiated to accommodate a student's needs
- Homework set will be corrected by the teacher setting the homework in a timely manner
- In Years 3 to 6, the use of a diary is mandatory for reading and parent communication

- For first two weeks of Term One, homework will be done in class to prepare students for our expectations on homework
- Wednesday mornings will be offered in the school to support students who need assistance or resources for their homework

## **EVALUATION:**

- Homework tasks will be regularly assessed and planned for to include relevant school topics
- Teachers will monitor and record student participation and report back to parents
- Students who fail to complete Homework make up tasks during recess times, as per teacher discretion

**This Policy was ratified by School Council – April 2016**