

HOMEWORK

POLICY

Rationale:

- Homework benefits students by complementing classroom learning, fostering good study habits and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning.

Aims:

- To support and consolidate classroom learning.
- To develop positive study habits and time management strategies.
- To develop a responsibility for self-learning.

Implementation:

- The school's homework policy can be discussed with parents at the commencement of each school year during the March interviews.
- Classroom teachers can discuss their individual expectations with parents during the March interviews.
- Classroom teachers can set homework appropriate to each child's skill level and age.
- Each set task must be purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the current classroom curriculum.
- A variety of resources may be used during homework sessions. This may include tools such as Study Ladder, internet research etc...
- The school must remain mindful that not all students have access to I.C.T at home.
- Grade 5/6 students will be allocated diaries in which homework will be noted.

Early Years (Prep – Year 2)

Homework will generally not exceed 10 minutes per night and will consist mainly of:

- Reading activities to, with and by parents.
- Simple practice tasks associated with classroom activities eg. Spelling words.
- Big Write – Talk Homework

Years 3 and 4

Homework will generally not exceed 20 mins per day and will consist mainly of:

- Reading activities to, with and by parents
- Simple practice tasks associated with classroom activities eg. Learning of spelling words and times tables
- Big Write – Talk Homework

Middle Years (Years 5 – 6)

Homework will generally not exceed 30 minutes per day and will consist mainly of:

- Independent reading on a daily basis
- Simple practice tasks associated with classroom activities eg. Learning of spelling words and times tables
- Big Write – Talk Homework

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...

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