HOMEWORK POLICY

Rationale:

Homework is a valuable part of schooling complementing and reinforcing classroom learning, fostering good lifelong learning and study habits and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning.

We value homework that:

- enhances and consolidates student learning
- is purposeful and relevant to students’ needs
- can be adapted to suit the capability of the student
- consolidates basic literacy and numeracy work
- allows time for students to participate in recreational, family and cultural activities
- provides opportunities for positive support roles for parents to assist their children, thus strengthening ties between school and home.

Implementation:

Homework will be given at all year levels:

- Rec and Yr.1 (approx. 10 -15 min per night):
  - daily reading to and with parents, caregivers etc.
  - learn sight words / spelling
  - may include activities related to classroom learning.

- Yr. 2 – 5 (approx. 20 min per night)
  - literacy and numeracy activities to support and reinforce classroom learning
  - may include activities related to classroom learning.

- Yr. 6 and 7 (approx. 20-30 min per night)
  - literacy and numeracy activities to support and reinforce classroom learning
  - may include activities related to classroom learning.

Homework will be:

- given as a weekly task to allow for varying family circumstances (unfinished class work will need to be completed on the night however)
- recorded on a sheet (junior primary) or in a diary (upper primary)
- checked by the teacher
- given Monday - Thursday (no weekend work).

Teachers may expect uncompleted homework to be finished at lunch time under supervision (if there is no reasonable excuse given for incompletion)

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