

Homework Policy

St Albans East Primary School



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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.
Aim	To support and extend classroom learning. To develop positive study habits. To develop a responsibility for self-learning. To provide an opportunity for parents to support their child's learning.
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The school's homework policy will be discussed and/or distributed to students and parents at the beginning of each school year.• The school's homework policy involves communication between teachers; between teachers and students and parents/carers.• All homework tasks should be:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ considerate of the student's individual skill level○ purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the curriculum○ interesting, challenging and when appropriate open ended○ an opportunity to practise skills relating to the current classroom teaching○ assessed by teachers with feedback and support provided○ balanced with a range of recreational, family and cultural activities• Teachers will give students enough time to complete homework tasks, taking into account home obligations and extra-curricular activities.• Year 5 and 6 students should use homework diaries which provides opportunities for regular communication between parents and the school. <p>Prep – Year 2 Homework will consist mainly of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily reading of just right texts to, with and by parents/carer or older siblings.• Simple extension activities associated with classroom learning experiences.• Homework will generally not exceed 20 minutes per day and will not be set on weekends or during vacation periods. <p>Years 3 and 4 Homework will consist mainly of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily independent reading of just right texts, or reading to parents/carer or older siblings.• Gathering information or materials for class learning experiences.• Projects, assignments, research as a continuation and/or extension of classroom learning experiences.• Should not exceed more than 30 minutes per day and will not be set on weekends or during holiday periods. <p>Years 5 and 6 Homework will consist mainly of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily independent reading of just right texts.• Gathering information or materials for class learning experiences.• Projects, assignments, research as a continuation and/or extension of classroom learning experiences.• Should not exceed more than 45 minutes per day and will not be set on weekends or

during holiday periods.

Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

Review Year

2019