



Poynter Primary School

Independent Public School

HOMWORK PROCEDURES

Rationale

Homework offers parents opportunities to become involved with their child in activities that promote and support the education process. Parent support in helping their child manage their homework schedule amongst their other activities is important in the development of lifelong skills. Parents who are flexible in allocating their own time to be with their child will maximise student development.

Homework Schedule

Early Years homework with the family will be linked strongly to the development of language and mathematical understandings. Children will be encouraged to progressively become more organised and independent in managing their homework routine. Children may have reading, writing and maths practice tasks to complete. (Approx time = 20 mins daily)

Children in Year 3-6 will have regular homework tasks from the class teacher and on occasions from teachers of specialist areas. There is often the need for students to take responsibility for aspects of their individual performance. A focus will be on developing the skills to meet deadlines and standards. This will build on the organisational and time management skills developed in the early years. (Approx time = 30-40mins daily)

Homework Content

Homework shall consist of any or all the following activities, as determined by teachers:

1. Activities that improve the student's performance in mathematics, reading, writing, spelling and grammar and punctuation.
2. Activities which improve student performance in Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, French, Technologies and the Arts.
3. Research for assignments.
4. Reading activities that involve personal reading from the school or local library and shared reading with parents and others.

Parents have the opportunity to discuss homework with staff when they attend parent meetings early in Term 1. At these meetings, teachers will give, in greater detail, information about class policies, procedures and the expectations that are held for each student.