

Homework Policy

North Melbourne Primary School

Issue Date: 13/11/2017

Review Date: 13/11/2020

SCHOOL Nº 1402



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 extend classroom learning.
- To develop positive study habits.
- To develop a responsibility for self learning and to develop skills in effective time management.

Implementation:

- The school's homework policy will be distributed to parents at the commencement of each school year and on enrolment of new students. Each PLT will develop and distribute homework guidelines and expectations.
- All students will have homework/communication diaries.
- Classroom teachers will set daily and/or weekly homework appropriate to each child's skill level and age.
- Homework activities should be interesting, challenging and where appropriate, open ended.
- Each set task must be purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the current curriculum.
- All homework activities must be monitored with feedback and support provided by teachers.
- Failure to complete homework on a regular basis should be followed up with parents.
- It is acceptable for teachers to assign unfinished classroom activities as homework tasks.

Early Years (Prep – Year 4)

Homework will consist mainly of:

- Reading activities including opportunities to read to family and friends, to share read with family and friends, or to have books read to the students by family and friends.
- Simple extension tasks associated with classroom activities.
- Gathering of additional information or materials
- Homework will generally not exceed 30 minutes per day and will not be set on weekends or during vacation periods.



Middle Years (Years 5 – 6)

Homework will consist mainly of:

- Reading on a daily basis
- Tasks such as continuation of classroom work, projects and assignments, essays and research
- Homework will generally range between 30 - 60 minutes per day and may be set during weekends and school vacations.