

Philosophy Our students live in a busy and complex world and have opportunities to engage in a huge range of activities. Families have also changed as have their priorities. These forces have made the issue of home learning a significantly complex issue for teachers, families and students. We therefore ensure that home learning does not put pressure on families with things like short time-lines. We also look for family / community activities that can gain credit towards home learning.

Expectation: Students will regularly have set home learning

Years R - 6

Home Learning is an opportunity for students to complete unfinished learning, revise learnt concepts or work on developing existing skills. Home learning is not new work for students rather content they are familiar with and can independently complete. Home learning should be given 4 nights a week only.

The following are recommended guidelines:

- Junior Primary (R-2): 10 minutes minimum reading, practice spelling words at least 4 times per week
- Primary: (3-6) 15-20 minutes maximum per night, Spelling, Maths English, Reading, Projects, finish work

Years 7 - 9

Home learning for Middle School students is the opportunity to complete unfinished learning at home. Explicit teaching occurs during class time and it is the student's responsibility to ensure that all learning from the day is completed. Care group & subject teachers monitor student's productivity and completed work is documented in the student's diary.

For most assessment pieces such as Assignments, Projects or Direct Investigations, teachers will provide some class learning time to complete, therefore relying on home learning time to ensure that assessment pieces are handed up completed and on time. This is also recorded in the student diary.

It is a requirement that Middle School students do a minimum of 15 minutes of reading per night. This can be completed in many different forms such as computer research, newspaper and magazine articles, or in the form of a novel.

Years 10 - 12:

In the senior school years, home learning is very important and students are expected to take more initiative. Senior students are also expected to utilise weekend time for home learning. Success at this level is often determined by how many hours are devoted to home learning and private study.

Teacher's Responsibility:

- All teachers will set home learning within these guidelines but the work content may differ.
- Mark and correct home learning where appropriate.

Responsibility of families

- Support their child with their home learning
- Write a note if home learning has not been able to be completed.

If you have any concerns, contact your child's Care Group Teacher.