

Bayswater North Primary School

# **Homework Policy**

# 1. Rationale

Homework is a learning tool that can assist students by assisting students to complete classroom-learning tasks, encouraging good lifelong learning and study habits, and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning.

#### 2. Aims

- 2.1 Homework enables parents to be aware of their children's school experiences.
- 2.2 Homework can help to develop organisational and time management skills, self-discipline, skills in using out of school resources and personal responsibility for learning.

#### 3. Implementation

- 3.1 This policy will follow D E T guidelines, be ratified by school council and published on our Web page.
- 3.2 <u>Prep to Grade 2</u> We encourage children to read each week night on a regular basis, or in the younger grades to be read to, in order to foster a love of reading and engage in oral discussions of the written content.

<u>Grades 3 to 6</u> Homework should include daily independent reading; in addition to the revision of tables, completion of class work, projects and assignments, essays and research as the need arises, based on planned curriculum learning intensions.

- 3.3 Homework, apart from reading, will be set as required by the class teacher and clearly communicated to students and parents.
- 3.4 Parents, in partnership with the school, should encourage their children to establish good homework patterns from early primary school and are encouraged to maintain good contact with teachers if any issues arise regarding homework expectations.
- 3.5 Homework should be:
  - 1. appropriate to the student's skill level and age;
  - 2. interesting, challenging and, where appropriate, open ended;
  - 3. realistic and not intrude on home activities or routines.
  - 4. purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the curriculum;
  - 5. monitored in class.
- 3.6 Grades 3 to 6 students should use appropriate diaries to assist with monitoring homework expectations, develop their organisation skills and to provide a means of regular communication between parents and the school.

## 4. Evaluation

The Education sub-committee will be responsible for the annual evaluation of the Homework Policy.

## CERTIFICATION

This policy was adopted at the School Council meeting held at Bayswater North Primary School, on 22 July 2019.

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