



Warrimoo Public School

Homework Procedure

Purpose of the Procedure: At our primary school, we believe that homework is a tool to enhance learning and foster a love of discovery. We recognise that homework is not compulsory, but we encourage it as an opportunity for students to engage with their learning outside of school hours. This procedure outlines our approach to homework across different year groups, emphasising the importance of parental support in these activities.

Procedure Guidelines:

1. Homework is Optional:

- Homework is not a mandatory requirement. However, we encourage families to engage in meaningful activities that complement classroom learning.

2. Parental Involvement:

- Parents and guardians are encouraged to support their children in these activities, creating a positive learning environment at home. This can include reading together, discussing topics learned in class, or exploring new interests.

3. Suggested Activities by Year Group:

○ Kindergarten:

- Read aloud with your child daily. Encourage them to describe pictures in their storybooks.
- Engage in simple counting games using everyday objects.
- Explore nature walks and talk about different plants and animals.
- Practice writing words in the environment.

○ Year 1:

- Read a story together each night and ask your child to retell it in their own words.
- Practice writing letters and simple words using fun materials like sand or finger paint.
- Create a mini scrapbook of family activities or outings.
- Practice writing words in the environment.

○ Year 2:

- Continue daily reading aloud, introducing new vocabulary and discussing the story.
- Encourage writing short stories or diary entries about their day.
- Play games that involve basic maths skills, such as board games that require counting or addition.

- Practice writing words in the environment.
- **Year 3:**
 - Read a variety of texts (fiction, non-fiction, poetry) together and discuss the themes and messages.
 - Work on simple research projects about topics of interest, using books or safe online resources.
 - Encourage practicing spelling words through creative methods like drawing or crafting.
- **Year 4:**
 - Select a chapter book to read together, discussing character development and plot.
 - Involve your child in cooking or baking, using recipes to practice measurement and following instructions.
 - Encourage them to keep a journal or blog about their hobbies and interests.
- **Year 5:**
 - Read and discuss articles from age-appropriate magazines or newspapers.
 - Support your child in completing a small project on a topic they are passionate about.
 - Encourage participation in community events, discussing their experiences afterwards.
- **Year 6:**
 - Read novels or non-fiction books, encouraging critical thinking by discussing different perspectives.
 - Help your child prepare for future studies by practicing organisational skills and time management through planning activities.
 - Encourage involvement in extracurricular activities, reflecting on what they learn from those experiences.

Conclusion: Our homework procedure is designed to complement the educational experience of our primary school students. By engaging in these suggested activities, parents can play a vital role in supporting their child's learning journey. We believe that a collaborative approach between school and home fosters a love of learning and helps children thrive academically and personally.