

St Joseph's Primary School South Grafton

Homework Standard Operating Procedure Endorsed 8.11.22

Belief

At St Joseph's we acknowledge the importance of family time in an increasingly complex and busy world. Our homework guide aims to support equitable practices whilst recognising the diversity of families in our school community.

Homework time is designed to support each child in developing the attributes of a lifelong learner.

For the purpose of this document, reading is not considered to be an optional homework task. It is included in the time guide. Regular reading is strongly encouraged for all students and is considered an essential home activity.

Practice

Homework tasks are offered on a weekly or fortnightly basis for children in all stages. Completion of homework is optional and a family decision. If completed the teacher will mark it. Homework tasks will not be used for assessment or reporting purposes. NO new learning will be given as homework.

Time Guides

Homework can be completed daily or over a weekly or fortnightly period. The table below provides suggested time to be allocated to homework. Reading is included in the daily time allocation.

Year Level Time

Kindergarten 10 mins daily
Stage 1 10-15 mins daily
Stage 2 15-20 mins daily
Stage 3 20-25 mins daily

Homework options in Kindergarten to Year 2 may include the following:

- · Phonics [handwriting, spelling and high frequency words]
- · Oral language
- Basic number skills and facts

Homework options in Year 3 to Year 6 may include the following:

- · Phonics [handwriting, spelling and high frequency words]
- Word study
- · Mathematics fluency and problem solving
- · Research
- Novel Studies
- · Oral language reports
- · Subject / Key Learning Area Tasks