

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Homework Policy

Vision & Mission Statement

Our purpose of homework is to support parents at home by giving them overviews and outlines of work done in class. We provide children with extension learning activities around focus topics in KLA's through our Stage Websites.

Homework is not compulsory unless teacher and/or parents have specifically requested work in a particular area. There is much research to suggest that homework provides no benefits to Primary School aged children. The provision of our Stage Websites allows for collaboration across the board with parents supporting learning taking place.

If given, homework will only be assigned Monday – Thursday evening inclusive.

Purposes of Homework

We ask that parents;

- Talk to their children about their learning
- Read together
- Play board games that encourage thinking

Examples of possible Individual Level Requirements Stage 1 (Kinder – Year 2)

- No formal written work.
- Voluntary research eg collecting pictures, discovering word meanings, general information, developing Maths/Science awareness in the home.
- Reading: regular reading to/with parents is encouraged through the use of Take Home readers and Library Books.
- Spelling: as required.
- Following up on classroom work.

Stage 2 (Years 3 – 4)

- Time allocation: no more than 30 minutes per day (1 ½ hours per week).
- Research: as the class program dictates.
- Spelling: daily practice/drill.



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- Reading: regular reading to parents is encouraged through the use of library books and class reading materials.
- Maths: as the class program dictates. Mathematical facts: daily practice/drill.

Stage 3 (Years 5 – 6)

- Time allocation: no more than 45 minutes per day (2 hours per week).
- Research: as the class program dictates.
- Spelling: daily practice/drill.
- Reading: both set and self-directed.
- Maths: as the class program dictates.
- Projects: when program requires.