NARRE WARREN NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOMEWORK POLICY

RATIONALE

Homework benefits students by complementing classroom learning, fostering good study habits and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning.

PURPOSE OF THE POLICY

To provide an educational link between school and home
To develop positive organisational skills.
To provide opportunities to practise skills for further learning.

GUIDELINES FOR ACTION

1. The school’s homework policy and homework expectations for each level will be distributed to parents at 1) the commencement of each school year and 2) if expectations change during the school year.

2. Classroom teachers will set homework which supports classroom programs appropriate to students’ learning.

3. All homework activities will be sighted, corrected and signed by the teacher.

4. Failure of students to complete homework on a regular basis will be followed up with parents.

5. In Grades Prep to Grade 2, homework will not exceed 20 minutes a day, this includes daily reading.

6. In Grades 3 to Grade 6, homework will not exceed 30 minutes a day, this includes daily reading.

7. Parents are to encourage their children to set aside a regular time and place to complete homework.

8. Types of homework may include:

   - **Reading** - Listening to reading, reading aloud, reading to your child, reading silently.
   - **Practice exercises**, including number facts and counting, sight words and spelling
   - **Research homework**, providing opportunities for students to gain background information so they are better prepared for future lessons.
9. Unfinished classroom activities due to misbehaviour as per Restorative Practices, can be sent home as additional homework tasks.

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