Homework Policy

Consistent and effective implementation of homework supports students to consolidate classroom learning, develop time management skills and become independent learners. It is imperative that homework is not a burden on families. The allocated times below ensure there is sufficient time for family, recreation, community and cultural activities. This policy is supported by our parents/carers and it is expected that consistent and effective implementation occurs across the school.

Homework is most effective when it:
- is clearly related to class work;
- is appropriate to particular years of schooling;
- is varied and differentiated to individual learning needs and can be completed independently;
- consolidates, revises and/or applies students’ classroom learning;
- is monitored by the teacher/teacher aide.

Parents/Carers can support their children by:
- reading to them, talking with them and involving them in tasks at home including, shopping, cooking, playing games, role playing and physical activity;
- encouraging them to organise their time and take individual responsibility for their learning and homework commitments;
- encouraging them to read and to take an interest in current affairs;
- supporting them to balance homework, watching television/play computer games, home jobs, sport etc
- Contacting their teacher to discuss any concerns arising from homework.

Parent/Carers have endorsed that homework could include:
- Reading: 10-15min either to another person or individually
- Spelling Words
- Math: Times Tables / Mental Math
- Online learning utilising Reading Eggs and/or Mathletics (Baralaba State School’s subscriptions)
- Junior Secondary: Class work / extension tasks.

Homework Time Allocation Guidelines (inclusive of Reading Time)
- Prep/Yr 1: 40 min per week
- Yr. 2-4: 60 min per week
- Yr. 5-6: 80 min per week
- Yr. 7-10: 80-160 min per week (pending assessment schedule)

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