

Homework Policy

Homework at Jarrahdale Primary School is developed to facilitate the achievement of learning outcomes. It forms part of a developmental learning program that is responsive to individual needs, clearly relevant and supports classroom practise and the importance of education outside of the classroom. K-7 teachers will provide homework opportunities for students as outlined below, which reinforce basic essential literacy and numeracy skills and which should not cause students or families' unnecessary angst in their complexity or require significant resources.

We also recognise in setting time for schoolwork at home that students also have other influences and commitments outside of school hours and that time spent with families and involvement with community activities is critical to a young person's physical, academic, social and emotional development and should be valued. We value both school work and other kinds of "work" which take place outside of school hours.

K -2

10 mins – activities may include

- Reading with an adult
- Practise reading sight words, phonological awareness or spelling activity
- Speaking and listening activity
- Number facts practice

3 – 5

20 mins – activities may include

- Reading – independently and with an adult
- Practising spelling and writing
- Number facts practise
- Project work as required
- Music Practice

6-7

20 – 30 mins – activities may include

- Reading - independently
- Spelling and writing
- Maths and number facts practise
- Project work as required
- Music Practice

Apart from schoolwork, students will be expected to participate in a variety of grid activities that value physical activity, time spent with families and community involvement. A grid has been put together to provide ideas linking to the types of activities students may participate in.

K-2 1-2 activities per week
 3-5 2-3 activities per week
 6-7 3-4 activities per week

Computer Use- educational research, typing practice and educational games	Playing board games, card games	Physical Activity or team sport – riding a bike, football practice, walking the dog, dance.
Cultural Activity – music practise or involvement in band or quartet. Visit to the theatre, movie or art/craft activity.	Personal Hobby – clubs, scouts, fire brigade, stamp collecting, horse riding.	Helping at home – set table, tidy room, do dishes, feed pets, gardening, cooking.
“Me” time – listening to music, relaxation, composing music, reading, playing or spending time with friends	Shopping, running and errand, Community Service – church activity or helping a neighbour.	Family Time – sharing learning, watch news, read paper, adult reading to teach you, teach parents something you learnt, family activity.

Homework will be recorded in the diary which will be monitored daily by the class teachers. Reading in all year levels must take place daily and be recorded by parents and teachers.