

SCHOOL NO. 1727 KIALLA WEST PS

Policy Statement: MANAGEMENT - 760 Homework

760 - HOMEWORK

Responsibility: Principal, Staff and School Council

This Policy was last ratified by School Council in 2013.

1. **PURPOSE:**

The school sees homework as a necessary and integral part of the learning process. Homework is designed to reinforce learning at school; develop sound work habits out of school; prepare children for Secondary Education; foster the attitude that learning is an on-going and life-long experience, and stimulate parental involvement with the school and the child's learning.

2. **GUIDELINES:**

- 2.1 Homework will be a part of the learning process and be set by the classroom teacher regularly.
- 2.2 Where formal homework is set, the teacher must ensure that the task is clearly defined and that a date is set for completion.
- 2.3 Individual differences in ability will vary the time a student spends on homework tasks.
- 2.4 Parents will be notified early in the school year of their expectations regarding homework for the year through the information book or class note.
- 2.5 Staff will ensure that homework is monitored regularly.
- 2.6 Below is a break down of homework guidelines for each level;

Grades Prep – 2 – Homework should not exceed 30 minutes a day.

Homework will:

- will consist of daily reading to, with and by parents/caregivers.
- may include practising sight word lists.
- may include weekly spelling words when sight word lists are mastered.
- may include the extension of class work or relevant activities.

Grades 3 & 4 - Homework should not exceed 30 minutes a day.

Homework:

- will consist of daily reading to, with and by parents/caregivers.
- will include weekly spelling words.
- may include the extension of class work or relevant activities.

Grades 5 & 6 - Homework should generally range from 30 – 45 minutes a day.

Homework:

- will consist of daily independent reading.
- will include weekly spelling words.
- may include the extension of class work or relevant activities.

- 2.7 This Policy may be varied at the discretion of the Principal in consultation with School Council if circumstances require it.