

DIMBOOLA PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOMEWORK

POLICY

Rationale:

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

Aims:

- To support and extend classroom learning.
- To develop positive study habits.
- To develop a responsibility for self-learning.

Implementation:

- The school's policy on homework will be available on the Dimboola Primary School Website
- Students may be allocated homework diaries, please check with individual teachers.
- Classroom teachers will set homework as appropriate to each child's skill level and age.
- Homework activities should be interesting, challenging and where appropriate, open-ended.
- Each set task must be purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the current classroom curriculum.
- All homework activities must be assessed with feedback and support provided by teachers.

Early Years (Prep – Year 2)

Homework will consist mainly of:

- Reading activities to, with and by parents.
- Simple extension tasks associated with classroom activities.
- If the student is a part of the Reading Recovery Program they will read a book each night

Middle Years (Years 3 – 6)

Homework will consist mainly of:

- Independent reading on a daily basis
- Tasks such as continuation of classroom work, projects and assignments, essays and research
- Homework will generally not exceed 45 minutes any day, must be coordinated between teachers to avoid excessive workload, and may be set during weekends and school vacations.
- It is acceptable for teachers to assign unfinished classroom activities as homework tasks.

Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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