



## South Kalgoorlie Primary School

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## HOMWORK POLICY

*It is expected that homework will relate directly to the learning and teaching programs appropriate to the needs of students. Preparation of students for the time commitment of homework anticipated in years to come is not, in itself, a reasonable basis for setting homework. (DET POLICY)*

Homework will typically comprise of regular home reading and practise of sight words and basic facts. Work that could reasonably have been expected to be completed during school may also be given as Homework. As students' progress through to upper primary, there may be a requirement for students to engage in additional homework linked to the teaching and learning programs. The school supports the opportunity for students to engage in discussions with their family and be involved in community activities; therefore, any Homework given must take these factors into consideration. Homework cannot be compulsory, thus no consequence can be incurred.

### PROCESS

- ◆ Teachers should confer with other class teachers to ensure continuity across each year level.
- ◆ Each teacher should discuss with their line manager any decisions prior to informing parents.
- ◆ Each class to inform parents through an agreed classroom Homework Policy by letter and/or parent meeting.

### OPERATIONS

- ◆ Homework expectations should be clearly expressed to students and parents at parent information sessions and at parent/teacher interviews.
- ◆ Homework set should be relevant and purposeful to classroom learning and themes, highlight appropriate outcomes.
- ◆ Home reading/sight words and basic facts should be included as a minimum.

### YEARS 5 & 6

Teachers are encouraged to set a minimum of no more than one-hour homework per week. Homework set should address the above but also be used to develop skills in:

- ◆ Time management
- ◆ Reading (Including Maths)
- ◆ Research