



# Homework Policy

## Gospel Values

At St John the Baptist Primary School we strive to promote the Gospel values of: fairness, equal rights, respect for differences, dignity, responsibility, knowledge of self, others & the environment, trust, faith, hope and love.

## Rationale

St John the Baptist Primary School recognises that students have many learning experiences outside of school hours. However, it is also considered important that time should be set aside at home for school-initiated work.

## Purpose

- To enhance development of the student's self-discipline and time-management skills;
- To encourage responsibility for the student's own learning;
- To provide opportunities for reinforcement and extension of the classroom programme;
- To provide opportunities for parents to share in their child's learning.

## Implementation

- Homework is a shared responsibility between the student, parents, the teacher and the school.
- Homework will be outlined at the beginning of year Parent/Teacher Interviews.
- Homework will be appropriate to the student's skill level and age.
- Homework will be monitored by teachers with feedback and support provided.
- Failure by students to complete homework on a regular basis should be followed up with parents.
- Students will not receive disciplinary action from the school for not completing homework.
- Additional homework may be accessed by parents/students upon request of the classroom teacher.

| Grade   | Homework Guidelines  |
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| <b>Foundation-Grade 2</b><br>(Will not exceed 30 minutes a day)   | -To mainly consist of daily reading to, with, and by parents or older siblings.<br>-Spelling and sight word activities.            |
| <b>Grade 3-6</b><br>(Generally range between 30-45 minutes a day) | -To include daily independent reading.<br>-Spelling Word Revision<br>-Essential Assessment Activities<br>-Project Work as required |

Parents are encouraged to take an interest in their child's homework and support them where necessary, it is important not to complete homework for them.

## Evaluation

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school's four year review cycle or as required.

## Ratification

This policy was last ratified by the St John the Baptist Primary School Staff in January 2019