

Homework Policy

3-6

Roxby Downs Area School



Rationale

The Roxby Downs Area School community views homework in Years 3-6 as a joint partnership between school and home linking learning between the two. Its purpose is to encourage independence, responsibility, organisation and time management skills through purposeful and real life learning experiences.

Responsibilities

Students

- Complete and maintain diary daily
- Complete tasks by due date to the best of their ability
- To be organised
- To take ownership for their learning and completion of homework
- Ask for help from parents or teachers where required
- Finish incomplete classroom work as part of homework if class time has not been used efficiently
- Accept consequences for incomplete homework (as decided by class teacher)

Teachers

- To program time for students to complete diaries
- Provide homework that is relevant, purposeful and meets time allocations
- Ensure tasks set can be completed independently or with minimal assistance from parents/caregivers
- Be clear with explanations and expectations
- Provide prompt, formal feedback to students. Homework may be marked as a class.
- Acknowledge students completing homework and provide consequences for incomplete homework (consequence at the discretion of individual teachers)

Parents

- Encourage child to complete tasks by set deadline
- Promote a positive homework culture at home
- Make available a suitable space for homework in the home
- Ensure access to stationary equipment (pens, pencils, rubbers etc.)
- Check and sign diaries/contact books regularly
- Speak directly to class teachers with issues/concerns

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R-2		3/4	5/6
Time	Up to 10-15 minutes	Up to 20 minutes	Up to 30 minutes
Nights per Week	Four (4) nights per week for all year levels		
Content May include some or all of the content listed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading • Sight Words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading • X Tables • Number Facts • Spelling/Grammar • Current Affairs • Higher Order Thinking Skills • Problem Solving Skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading • X Tables • Number Facts • Spelling/Grammar • Current Affairs • Higher Order Thinking Skills • Problem Solving Skills
Specialist Subjects	None	Specialist teachers (The Arts, HPE and Spanish) may set homework on the nights of student's lesson. The time is included in the allocation above. Spanish homework will consist of vocabulary practice of up to 5 words.	
Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levelled reader as assessed by class teacher. • Sight words as set by class teacher 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levelled reader or text of choice • Nightly Tasks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levelled reader or text of choice • Nightly tasks OR • Short 'contract' relevant to classroom learning which consists of the above content.

Years 3-6 Homework Policy to be read in conjunction with R-2 Homework Policy.