# NEDLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL Homework Guidelines



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At Nedlands Primary School we believe in homework being an instructional tool that provides students with opportunities to deepen and practise their understanding and skills, relative to the content that is being delivered in class. Homework may support the achievement of learning outcomes through revision, consolidation, enrichment and practise.

## Implementation of Homework at Nedlands Primary School

#### **Nedlands Teachers:**

- The completion of homework will be given realistic timelines.
- Homework set will be purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the current or previous classroom curriculum.
- Share homework expectations during class meetings at the start of the year.
- Consideration will be given to students who are not able to complete the set homework during the school week.

#### **Nedlands Parents:**

- Encourage students to complete their homework. This is not a test of your child's reading ability. Rather it is the underlying purpose to foster a love of reading.
- Reading can be enhanced by the parent reading to and with their child. This can be followed with questions about the book to further develop comprehension skills.
- Communicate any queries regarding homework with classroom teachers.
- Parents may discuss homework expectations when students are going on a personal holiday, however it is not the teacher's responsibility to prepare or review such homework.
- Parents must inform teachers if they want their child to opt out of homework.

#### Nedlands Students:

- Communicate any issues with completing their homework in the set time to their teachers.
- It is recommended that missed work, due to extra-curricular activities, is completed.

### <u>Homework Guidelines</u>

\*Based on DoE recommendations

#### Pre-Primary – Year 1

Homework will generally not exceed 15 minutes per day and will not be set on weekends or during vacation periods. Reading should comprise at least 10 minutes of the homework time allocation.

#### Year 2 – 3

Homework will generally not exceed 15-20 minutes per day and will not be set on weekends or during vacation periods. Reading should comprise at least 10 minutes of the homework time allocation

#### Year 4 – 6

Homework will generally not exceed 30 minutes per day and will not be set on weekends or during vacation periods. Reading should comprise at least 15 minutes of the homework time allocation



# Weekly Guidelines

PRE-PRIMARY - YEAR 1	YEAR 2 - YEAR 3	YEAR 4 - YEAR 6
<ul> <li>Daily home reading</li> <li>Practise reading and spelling high frequency words.</li> <li>Preparation of News/special projects</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Daily home reading</li> <li>Practise reading and spelling high frequency words in written context.</li> <li>Mathletics, mental math or alternative math task.</li> <li>Speeches and project preparation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Daily home reading</li> <li>Practise reading and spelling high frequency words in written context.</li> <li>Mathletics, mental math or alternative math task.</li> <li>Speeches and project preparation</li> </ul>

# **Types of Homework at Nedlands Primary School**

- Completing consolidation exercises for mathematics memorisation of tables multiplication facts, mental maths, problem solving, Mathletics.
- Practising spelling words/high frequency words.
- Reading for pleasure and fluency.
- Writing tasks/essays.
- Music practice for those involved in the school's instrumental program is in addition to class homework.
- Preparing for assignments/projects/speeches/News/finishing classwork.

#### Parents can help children by:

- Encouraging regular nightly reading.
- Providing a place for their child to do their homework, allowing time to do it and providing appropriate resources.
- Encouraging a regular daily session to examine and complete homework, helping to balance the amount of time spent between homework and recreational activities.
- Establish a consistent schedule for completing homework.
- Understand their child's homework expectations as discussed with teacher at whole class meeting.
- Sign the Homework Record Sheet/Diary as requested by the teacher (nightly or weekly).

Additional practise for students if parents choose – independent from educators provided homework guidelines. These can be accessed independently through a log in code provided by subject teacher for applications

LOWER YEARS	MIDDLE YEARS	UPPER YEARS
• Reading Eggs • Mathletics/ Math Seeds	<ul> <li>Reading Eggs</li> <li>Literacy Pro</li> <li>Mathletics</li> </ul>	• Literacy Pro • Mathletics