# Hauraki Primary School **Policy Document**

## Homework

### Rationale:

A clear and consistent approach to homework provides the opportunity for parents to be involved in children's learning and encourages students to be responsible for their own learning.

## Purpose:

- To foster independent homework routines to create a good basis for future learning.
- To reinforce skills learned in the classroom.
- To encourage children to use their home and community environment as a resource for learning and thus extend learning beyond the classroom.
- To set up a line of communication between home and school.
- To develop time management skills.

#### Guidelines:

- 1. Homework should complement classroom programmes, and as much as possible reinforce what children have been taught.
- 2. Students should be conversant with the homework set.
- 3. Teachers must be sensitive to different abilities and backgrounds, and work must be within students' achievement range.
- 4. Homework must be marked, including all written assignments.
- 5. Parents should be provided with helpful guidelines where appropriate so that they understand the expectations and why homework is required.
- 6. Homework should be set on a regular basis: Juniors up to 20 minutes per night, Middle up to 30 minutes per night Monday to Thursday, Seniors up to 40 minutes per night Monday to Thursday.
- 7. Reading may be set in the weekends.
- 8. Homework should be consistent across classes at the same year level so that the amount is progressive across year levels.

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