

MORWELL PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL HOMEWORK POLICY



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand this policy, please contact our administration team on 51341793.

PURPOSE

To outline to our school community the Department's and Morwell Park Primary School's policy requirements relating to homework.

SCOPE

This policy applies to students in all year levels and staff responsible for setting and monitoring homework at Morwell Park Primary School.

RATIONALE

Morwell Park Primary School has developed this Homework Policy in consultation with the School Council to support student learning and wellbeing by:

- encouraging students to enrich or extend knowledge individually
- supporting learning partnerships with parents/carers.

DEFINITIONS

Homework is tasks assigned to students by teachers that are meant to be carried out during non-school hours.

POLICY

At Morwell Park Primary School all homework set by teachers will be:

- purposeful
- designed to help students develop as independent learners
- where appropriate, provide opportunities for parents/carers to partner in their child's learning.

The types of homework that teachers at Morwell Park Primary School will include are:

- reading for pleasure
- applying new skills to home context such as:
 - o planning and cooking food, including following a recipe
 - o helping to plan a day trip or holiday, including timings, directions and costs
 - growing plants
 - o reviewing their favourite film or book
 - writing a diary entry

SHARED EXPECTATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Homework is a shared responsibility between the school, teachers, students and their parents/carers. In order to get the most out of homework tasks, it is important that everyone understands their obligations and responsibilities.

Responsibilities and expectations for leaders at Morwell Park Primary School are to:

• advise teachers, students and parents/carers of homework expectations at the beginning of the school year and provide them with access to the homework policy.

Responsibilities and expectations for teachers at Morwell Park Primary School are to:

- ensure students have access to appropriate reading material if required
- offer opportunities for families to engage in their children's learning through communication of learning feedback and learning goals via Seesaw

Responsibilities and expectations for students at Morwell Park Primary School are:

- ensuring they have reading material at home (either their own or borrowed from school)
- Discussing their learning feedback and learning goals with their parents/carers

Responsibilities and expectations for parents/carers at Morwell Park Primary School are:

• Engaging on Seesaw to view, respond and discuss their child's learning feedback and learning goals with their child and child's teacher

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS/CARERS

Morwell Park Primary School understands that students have different learning strengths, preferences and interests and may approach learning activities and homework differently. If parents/carers are concerned their child may not understand the homework tasks that have been set or is spending a long period of time completing their homework, we encourage parents/carers to speak to their child's teacher.

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Included in staff induction processes and staff training
- Discussed at parent information nights/sessions
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

RELATED POLICIES AND RESOURCES

• Homework – Department Policy

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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