

## Ferncourt Homework Policy

Ferncourt teachers set a homework task each week. The quantity varies and is at the discretion of the individual teacher or stage team. Homework will be educationally beneficial, aligned to classroom learning from that week, or as the basis for revision of past learning.

Homework provides students with valuable skills in planning and organisation. In addition it allows parents, caregivers and students valuable time together, while giving parents and caregivers an insight into their child's learning.

### Implementation

- Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are expected to complete homework activities each week. Where homework is regularly not completed, parents will generally be informed.
- The amount of homework will vary according to the individual teacher or stage team. The primary focus of homework will be on English and Mathematics and then other curriculum areas.
- At the beginning of each new school year parents and caregivers will be notified of each teacher's requirements for the completion of homework.
- Homework is generally set for giving out and marking on Monday or Friday. A week gives students the opportunity of fulfilling extracurricular activities (sport, music, dance etc) that are important to the health and well-being of children.
- Homework should take no longer than 30 minutes to complete for senior students, and less for younger students. From time to time students will be given homework in the form of a project. This homework is generally assessment-based and expected to be completed over a period of weeks. These projects are generally given 2-3 times per year.
- Homework is one aspect of learning within the home. To assist students in their education, parents and caregivers are encouraged to provide time for reading and learning of drills such as times tables or spelling lists to supplement set homework.

Further information can be found at:

<https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/curriculum/schools/homework/>