### HOMEWORK ALLOCATIONS

At Scarborough State School we promote and support the achievement of students in all learning areas. Allocated homework will focus on the key areas of literacy and numeracy.

Homework may take various forms including digital, paper or hands-on.

Parents are encouraged to supplement their child's homework with additional real-life learning experiences.

\*Please note: students participating in Instrumental Music Programs may be required to undertake further homework in addition to their classroom homework (i.e. instrument practice).

## WHAT HAPPENS TO STUDENTS WHO DO NOT COMPLETE HOMEWORK?

All homework handed in will be marked by the class teacher. Students who do not complete homework will have this failure to complete recorded.

At no time will a student be detained during break times or be excluded from curriculum learning experiences for incomplete homework.

### CYCLE OF HOMEWORK ALLOCATION

Due to the increased amount of activities families undertake each week, homework will have a 7-day return cycle (one week). For example, homework may be sent home on a Wednesday and due back the following Tuesday.

## WEEKLY HOMEWORK ALLOCATIONS

| Prep Year | Max . 10 minutes per day/ 40 minutes per week Activities may include: sight words, number, sound and letter work and reading.   |
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| Year 1-2  | Max . 15 minutes per day/ 60 minutes per week  Activities will include daily reading and may include: spelling, numeracy, grammar, preparation for oral presentations, life skills and contract work.   |
| Years 3-4 | Max . 20 minutes per day/ 80 minutes per week  Activities will include daily reading and may include: spelling, numeracy, grammar, preparation for oral presentations, life skills and contract work.   |
| Years 5-6 | Max . 30 minutes per day/ 120 minutes per week  Activities will include daily reading , a 10-minute Japanese activity and may include: spelling, numeracy, grammar, preparation for oral presentations, life skills, contract work and project/research skills. |



# HOMEWORK POLICY

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#### HOMEWORK AT SCARBOROUGH STATE SCHOOL

Homework at Scarborough State School is valued as a process that continues the development of a student's mind.

The benefits of homework have been identified as:

- Providing parents and carers with the opportunity to be involved with, and reflect upon, learning being undertaken at school
- Providing students with the opportunity to support learning experiences through reflection and practice at home
- Assisting with the development of study habits indicative of successful learners

### TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES

 Providing clear class homework procedures at the parent information sessions in Term 1.

Ensuring the consistent application and management of these procedures by:

- Reporting on the completion or non completion of homework in the semester report card
- Designing and differentiating homework tasks and activities that cater for the abilities of all students
- Encouraging and acknowledging the completion of homework
- Marking set homework and providing timely feedback to students
- Discussing with parents any developing problems concerning their child's homework
- Suggesting strategies to assist with their homework

## PARENT/CARER RESPONSIBILITIES

- Providing a suitable area for homework completion
- Communicating with the class teacher any concerns relating to the completion of set homework
- Positively supporting the completion of homework
- Should parents wish to exempt their child from homework, they are required to submit this in writing to the class teacher. Final exemption is at the discretion of the Principal.

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Attempting all allocated homework
- Submitting all tasks by the due date
- Communicating to teachers any issues or concerns regarding the completion of homework

Students are able to access the library computer lab at 1st and 2nd breaks for homework help.

Students seeking help with Japanese homework are able to access the Japanese classroom during specified eating times during the week.