PROUILLE HOMEWORK POLICY

The children at Prouille have a variety of after school activities, which are valid learning experiences. It is acknowledged that valuable learning takes place outside school hours. The school community expects homework to be a part of the learning process.

RATIONALE

Homework is based on classroom learning and aims to involve home and school in a joint effort to help develop independent work, study and research skills.

AIMS

- To use homework as a means of revisiting what has been studied in class.
- To encourage and develop independent work, study and research skills, enabling students to be self motivated and confident in the learning process.
- To give parents an opportunity to be more aware of, and involved in, the learning activities their child is undertaking at school.

Homework will be:

- Related to what is being learnt in the seven Key Learning Areas.
- Set at a realistic level.
- Corrected by the teacher or under the teacher’s supervision.

Homework Points for Parents

1. Homework set is tended to help your child and not disrupt your home.
2. It is understood that, on some occasions, it is not possible for homework to be done. A brief note will suffice.
3. Parents are encouraged to be involved in the homework process. Be interested and help, but refrain from doing the homework for your child.
4. Have a positive attitude towards homework. Let your child know homework is valued in your household.
5. Establish a consistent homework routine where possible.
6. Discuss what is being done and support good standards of work and presentation.
7. Discuss concerns with the class teacher.
8. Teachers may request parents to sign their child’s homework.

GUIDELINES

Reading (oral and/or silent) is a recommended component of nightly homework.

The approximate time expected to be spent on homework per night:

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Homework is generally not given on weekends. It is sufficient if the child spends the suggested time on the homework. However, if it is not completed, a parental signature can indicate that the time has been spent productively.