



INFANT JESUS SCHOOL
Homework Policy

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The overall aim of assigning homework is to enhance the extent to which each child benefits from the school's educational programme. The purpose of homework is to:

1. Revise and reinforce class content.
2. Develop responsible home study techniques.
3. Provide opportunities to complete unfinished class work.
4. Provide further opportunities for teacher evaluation.
5. Keep parents informed of content taught and child's progress.

Homework should be relevant, and the tasks to be accomplished will be carefully and clearly defined for the students. Teachers need to be aware of family commitments that may prevent children from completing their homework on occasions. Homework should not be used as a punishment.

Our Homework Policy begins in Year 1 with the children reading every night and steadily builds up to 1 hour in Year 6 with independent research plus reading.

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| Junior Primary | 15 to 30 minutes |
| Middle Primary | 30 to 45 minutes |
| Upper Primary | 45 to 60 minutes |

This is a guide only. At times children will need to complete work related to the integrated studies program or as appropriate on an individual basis.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Informing parents of set tasks
- Managing time to complete tasks
- Completing work to the best of their ability
- Returning tasks to school as required
- Maintaining a personal homework diary (Years 3-6)

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- Providing a suitable environment that encourages the completion of homework
- Supervision of homework
- Assist with time management and establishing a consistent homework routine
- Sign the diary each night
- Inform the teacher of child's inability to complete homework (i.e. note)

Oral reading and reading for enjoyment should be seen as part of daily homework.