



Homework Policy

YUNA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Homework Strategy provides clear expectations for the quantity and content of homework. It is based on internationally renowned research and was created through consultation with parents and teachers.

Homework requirements vary and need to consider individual's needs, circumstances and age. Time expectations are expressed as a maximum duration, and may be less at the teacher's discretion.

"Homework for young children should be used to deliberately practice something already taught in the classroom. There is little evidence to support the link between academic success and home work at a young age.

Professor John Hattie

Homework is provided to reinforce what is being taught in the classroom. It should never be given for punitive reasons and should not contain concepts that have not been taught or covered in class. It should not require unreasonable levels of parental intervention.

Pre – Primary

Students of this age should not be expected to complete more than 10 minutes of homework four days a week, commencing from Term 2. Homework **may** consist of:

- Home reading books and / or
- Alphabet and Sight words
- Preparation for news

Year 1 – 2

Students of this age should not be expected to complete more than 10 minutes of homework four days a week. Homework **may** consist of:

- Preparation for news
- Daily Reading
- Phonics and Sight words
- Daily Spelling
- Tables / Basic Facts, and /or
- Consolidation activities.
- Completion of activities un-finished due to absence.

Year 3 – 4

Students of this age should not be expected to complete more than 20 minutes of homework four days a week. Homework **may** consist of:

- Preparation for news.
- Daily Reading
- Daily Spelling
- Phonics and sight words
- Tables / Basic Facts, and /or
- Consolidation activities.
- Completion of activities un-finished due to absence.

Year 5 – 6

Students of this age should not be expected to complete more than 30 minutes of homework four days a week. Homework **may** consist of:

- Daily Reading
- Daily Spelling
- Vocabulary extension
- Tables / Basic Facts, and /or
- Consolidation activities
- Research Tasks (not requiring more than one hour per week).
- Completion of activities un-finished due to absence.

Homework – Recommended Time.

Pre- Primary	1 – 2	Year 3 - 4	Year 5 - 6
10 minutes <i>(from Term 2)</i>	15 minutes	20 minutes	30 minutes

Parents

- Encourage students to complete their homework.
- Check Diaries daily and use as a means of communication with the teacher.

Students

- Write homework in diaries
- Inform the teacher if unable to complete homework.

Additional Activities

Student may wish to participate in the following activities at home after the completion of their homework.

- Athletics
- Think Mentals
- Typing Tournament
- Homework Hound