



Homework Policy

Rationale

Positive family support in your child's education is a powerful means to enhancing learning and wellbeing. Homework can support and enrich the individual learning of students, both academically and socially. To promote positive work habits the following guidelines have been agreed upon.

At Karrendi we acknowledge how busy families are, so although this homework policy is in place, these practices are encouraged *not* mandatory.

Reading

It is essential for all students to spend time at home practising their reading each day. Reading is a fundamental skill that requires practise regardless of age or ability. Reading to an adult at home is a great way for your child to practise what they have learned at school. By listening to your child read, you will help them to become a happy and confident reader.

Students who practise their reading regularly will benefit significantly across all areas of learning. Home Reading will be monitored and consistent efforts will be acknowledged and celebrated. Please talk to your child's teacher if you would like support with tips and strategies to use at home.

Miss Schinella will be running a weekly reading club on Wednesdays at second lunch. All students are invited to attend and enjoy a good book. This is another opportunity to support students to increase their reading minutes, particularly those who have difficulty reading at home.

Junior Primary Homework Expectations – Foundation to Year 2

- **Read decodable reader → 10 minutes per day**

All students Foundation to Year 2 will receive an Initialit home reading diary. Please record your child's reading in their diary. Decodable readers will be changed once per week. Multiple readings of the same text are important to build your child's reading fluency.

Please note that decodable readers will be sent home with Foundation students from Term 2 onwards. During Term 1, please read picture books to your child and record in their Initialit home reading diary.

During year 2, students may progress from decodable readers to a book of their choice. Families will be notified of this change by their child's teacher.

Middle/Upper Primary Homework Expectations – Year 3 to Year 6

- **Reading independently 15-20 minutes per day**
- **Incomplete class work**