

October 2023**To be Reviewed 2026**

Guideline Statement

The evidence demonstrates that there is no correlation between homework and achievement at primary school level. What has shown to improve academic scores is reading for pleasure.

Our Position

Based on the evidence and best practice, as a school, we have decided that routinely set homework will *not* be given to students. We respect the activities that students do outside of school to enrich their lives. We value important family and recreation time, which allows children to recharge their batteries after a busy day of learning at school.

We do encourage every child to read daily. This may include reading with or to an adult or family member or reading independently. The school library is available for students to borrow books before school, at lunchtimes and during weekly class library sessions. Majura Primary School runs reading workshops for parents that focus on the importance of reading at home and strategies to help your child/ren with fluency and comprehension.

Some Majura students want to extend their classroom learning at home. For these students, we recommend that parents keep the term letters, that describe the learning covered in class, somewhere accessible to refer to so they can discuss these at home, and perhaps provide opportunities for further investigation and research. Negotiations can be made with the classroom teacher if parents need to support further development in a particular area home, or if students would benefit from building on their knowledge on what is being covered in class. It would give an opportunity for children to practice skills and enrich ideas developed at school and gives parents a chance to engage in their child's learning.

Contact

For further information please contact your classroom teacher.