ST ROSE HOMEWORK POLICY

Children should be given homework which will take a reasonable time to complete. Please be aware of individual differences when setting homework. Homework should be an extension of the work the children are doing at school and should not usually require any teaching at home by parents. Aim for it to be an opportunity for parents and children to share and reflect on the learning experience – good interaction between home and school.

Each class is given a recommended allocation of time for homework each night. Parents and teachers should be aware of this time and make allowances for the child who spends that amount of time profitably, but still cannot get the homework completed. eg. Notify parents through Parent/Teacher notes of requirements, procedures if homework cannot be completed etc. Parents’ responsibility to inform teacher of homework patterns.

Some classes have homework set each night while some are given their homework on a weekly contract basis. These children may need guidelines in how to pace themselves so that they are spreading their work over the entire week and not cramming the work into one night.

**Recommended times:**
- K - 10 minutes
- Stage One - 15 to 25 minutes
- Stage Two - 25 to 40 minutes
- Stage Three - 30 to 60 minutes

Homework is not normally given on weekends, However some teachers may opt for homework to be returned on a Monday. All homework must be marked and returned to child regularly. A record of homework should also be kept by the teacher.

**Guidelines for sending homework home**

Term 1: K- Start Week 5, Yr 1- Start Week 4 & Yrs 2-6 – Start Week 2.

Terms 2,3 & 4 Homework must start Week 1 and finish last Week of term.

Last week of each term homework must be set

Term 4- The week ending the Friday of the second last week of term.

**Homework content**

**Kindergarten**
- Reading
- Sight Words

**Stage One**
- Reading
- Religion- home link task
- Spelling
  - Learning words
  - Activity
- Maths activity linked to class work
- News presentation preparation

**Stage Two**
- Reading
- Religion- Diary page and home link task
- Spelling
  - Learning words
  - Activity
- Tables
- Literacy task
- Numeracy task/ Maths Text book
- Speech preparation 1-2 a term

**Stage Three**
- Reading
- Religion- Diary page and home link task
- Spelling
  - Learning words
  - Activity
- Maths Text book
- Behind The News task
- 20mins Active Exercise
- Some extra HSIE/SC & TECH task throughout the year

**Homework Requirements**

**Infants**
- Envelope Folder or library bag
- Reading Log book
- Exercise book

**Primary**
- Diary
- Exercise book