RATIONAL

At St. Joseph's homework is a valuable part of schooling. It allows for practising, extending and consolidating work done in class. Homework provides training for students in planning and organising time and develops a range of skills in identifying and using information resources. Additionally, it establishes habits of study, concentration and self-discipline. Homework strengthens the links between home and school and reaffirms the role of parents and caregivers as partners in education. Homework provides parents and caregivers with insights into what is being taught in the classroom and the progress of their children.

GUIDELINES FOR TEACHERS

1) Ensure that homework given is appropriate to the class/pupil level.

2) Be aware of children who may be incapable of completion of homework.

3) Homework is to be marked at teacher’s discretion either daily or weekly.

4) Teacher keeps current record of homework completion.

5) Parents of children who consistently incomplete homework should be informed.

HOMEWORK CONTENT

Homework is revision or consolidation of class concepts. Therefore the tasks set by each classroom teacher will include a literacy and a numeracy activity each week. Any incomplete class tasks may also be sent home at the teachers discretion.
SUGGESTED HOMEWORK TIME

Monday to Thursday
(Not including additional projects)

- Kindergarten - 15 mins
- Year 1 - 15 mins
- Year 2 - 20 mins
- Year 3 - 25 mins
- Year 4 - 25 mins
- Year 5 - 30 mins
- Year 6 - 30 mins

PROJECTS

From time to time, projects may be set by class teachers in relation to relevant and current curriculum being studied. Such projects may require extra time to be completed at home.