

# Loxton Lutheran School

## HOMEWORK POLICY

### Expectations

At Loxton Lutheran School we believe that home work should

- ❖ Support the educational objectives of the learning programme by reinforcing the basic sight words, reading, spelling and tables skills/maths facts being taught in the classroom
- ❖ Be easily managed by parents at home
- ❖ Assist in developing a regular non intrusive study habit
- ❖ Help in the development of self discipline, self motivation and time-management skills in each student
- ❖ Be positively viewed by both parents and children.
- ❖ Be appropriate to the level of development of each child in content and difficulty.
- ❖ Not exceed:
  - 10 minutes a night for Reception and Year 1
  - 15 minutes a night for Year 2
  - 20 minutes a night for Year 3
  - 30 minutes a night for Years 4 to 7

### Content

Homework is to include

- ❖ A reading component for each of 4 nights a week
- ❖ Either a spelling or tables component (not both) to complement reading

### Parent Responsibility

Parents are asked to support the homework policy by

- ❖ Being aware of the expectations via class newsletters, student diaries or communication books
- ❖ Encouraging their child and participating in the homework activity by questioning, testing, listening etc
- ❖ Encouraging effort and praising achievement
- ❖ Communicating with your child's teacher about problems or difficulties
- ❖ Providing a comfortable environment in which to undertake homework

### Teacher Responsibility

It is the responsibility of teachers to

- ❖ Outline their procedures in regard to homework, during the Parent Information Evenings
- ❖ Be clear in their daily requirements of students
- ❖ Readily liaise with parents re concerns about homework
- ❖ Readily provide extra homework activities upon parent request

**Adopted by LLS School Council on: October 25<sup>th</sup> 2011**

Review: This policy will be reviewed annually