

# LAURA PRIMARY SCHOOL Homework POLICY

Please note this policy is mandatory and staff are required to adhere to the content

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At LPS we believe that the partnership between home and school is a powerful tool to help our students' academic progress.

We believe that practising particular, essential skills are imperative to the progression of learning. Work at home is a way to practise the skills that are introduced at school.

These skills include:

**Reading:** Reading practice, building sight word recognition, developing fluency and building comprehension.

**Word Knowledge:** Being able to accurately spell words, building understanding and vocabulary.

**Number Knowledge:** Knowing number facts to a level of automaticity.

## Recommended Homework

<b>Junior Primary: Reception, Year 1, 2</b> Maximum time: 20 minutes/day	<b>Middle Primary: Year 3,4</b> Maximum time: 30 minutes/day	<b>Upper Primary: Year 5,6,7</b> Maximum time: 60 minutes/day
Read to an adult or older sibling 3 times a week as a minimum	Read to an adult or older sibling 3 times a week as a minimum	Read to an adult or older sibling 3 times a week as a minimum
Read and write spelling and sight words.	Read and write spelling and sight words.	Read and write spelling words 4 times a week.
Number recognition Counting to 10, 20 Number facts to 10.	Times tables: 2,3,4,5,6,7,10,11	Times tables: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10,11,12
		Practise musical instrument. (20 minutes per week)

In addition teachers may request

- Preparatory work to prepare for future lessons
- Extension work.
- Continuing work on a project or similar that has been started in class

Homework should not interfere with outside activity by each child, such as music lessons, sporting commitments and other home responsibilities.

## How parents can support students with their homework

Encouragement and support from parents helps students to have a positive approach to homework. To assist students

- Take an active interest in their homework

- Support them to set aside time to do their homework
- Provide a work space for homework if possible
- Talk to the class teacher ( or note in the diary) as soon as possible if your child is having difficulty understanding or completing the homework