



# HOMEWORK

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## 1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To provide an opportunity for students to take responsibility for their learning.
- 1.2 To provide opportunities for students to practise, extend and consolidate work completed in the classroom.
- 1.3 To assist students to develop study habits, including time management and organisational skills which will assist lifelong learning.
- 1.4 To foster the partnership between parents and students in relation to students learning and to strengthen the links between home and school.

## 2.0 GUIDELINES

- 2.1 Homework tasks should be set on a regular basis in all subjects for all students.
- 2.2 Homework tasks should be appropriate to student needs and skill level.
- 2.3 Homework tasks should have a clear purpose and be relevant to the curriculum, reinforcing what has been taught in the classroom.
- 2.4 Homework tasks should be stimulating and challenging for students.
- 2.5 Homework will be corrected and assessed by the class teacher promptly with feedback and support provided to the students.
- 2.6 Homework tasks should assist students to develop study habits through revision of class related activities.
- 2.7 Homework tasks should be varied and provided in different forms such as:
  - Preparatory work – reading English texts
  - Practice exercises – writing essays, practicing LOTE vocabulary and music, revising Maths skills
  - Completing class work
  - Extension assignments – completing research
  - Organisation of folders
- 2.8 Homework tasks should take into consideration the resources available to students.
- 2.9 Scheduling of homework tasks should be coordinated for each class
- 2.10 Students should be given reasonable time to complete homework tasks.
- 2.11 Consequences for homework not completed may include a detention at recess, lunchtime or after school.

## 3.0 IMPLEMENTATION

- 3.1 Completion of homework will be primarily the responsibility of students but parents play a vital role in encouraging and supervising the development of effective homework habits.
- 3.2 Each subschool will provide after school homework assistance on designated nights.
- 3.3 All students will be expected to complete homework tasks on a regular basis.
- 3.4 Students will be expected to complete homework tasks by set deadlines. Failure to complete set tasks may result in work being assessed as ungraded.
- 3.5 Students will be required to write down details of homework on the appropriate day in their college diary.
- 3.6 Teachers will teach strategies to students to assist them with their studies.
- 3.7 All classroom teachers will inform parents in writing or verbally if their child is not completing homework exercises regularly.
- 3.8 Parents will be encouraged to use the diary to communicate any concerns re: homework to the relevant class teacher.
- 3.9 Information will be made available to parents on how to support their child with homework.
- 3.10 The College Curriculum Resource Centre will be available to students before school, at lunchtime and after school. A computer room will also be available to students at lunchtimes.
- 3.11 The DET recommended minimum time to be spent on homework per night is as follows:
  - 3.0 Year 7 – 1 hour
  - 4.0 Year 8 – 1.5 hours
  - 5.0 Year 9 – 2 Hours
  - 6.0 Year 10 – 2.5 hours
  - 7.0 Year 11 – 3 hours
  - 8.0 Year 12 – 3 - 4 hours

## 4.0 EVALUATION

The policy will undergo cyclic minor and major evaluation.