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Rationale:

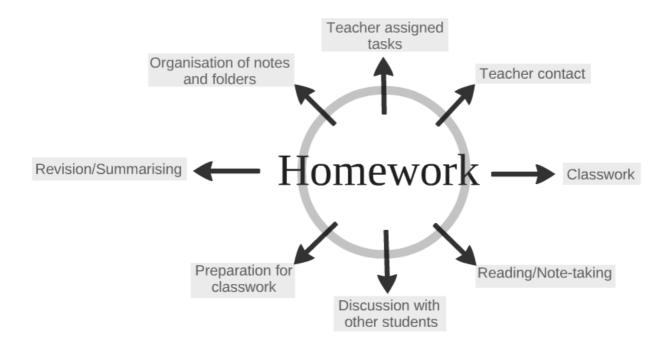
Homework is integral to the school curriculum. It develops independence in applying skills learned in the classroom and provides opportunity for study, revision, reflection and consolidation of classwork.

It is important that students utilise time at home where they can undertake set homework and other activities related to their school work, including reading.

Homework may include; completing set tasks and unfinished classroom tasks, revision of notes taken in class, summarising chapters, re-reading and reading ahead and getting notes organised, SAC preparation, practice essays, revision of classwork and reading and attempting exam papers. Also independent reading from a variety of sources.

If your child is experiencing difficulty in any subject, encourage them to speak to the relevant teacher. It is strongly recommended that your child attend all Parent/Carer Teacher Interviews.

All students should plan and develop a routine to accommodate time for sport, work, family and social commitments to ensure their school work is not compromised.



Aims:

Students establish regular homework and study habits with an increased degree of importance, as they progress towards completion of their high school education.

- Students consolidate and improve work done at school.
- Develop and improve time management skills including exam preparation and meeting deadlines.
- Keep parents/carers informed of the work students are doing.

Implementation:

The College is responsible for ensuring that the objectives of this policy are integrated into practice. All staff are responsible for ensuring that they read and understand the expectations listed in the Staff Code of Conduct and execute their duties in line with the Code.

The success of the Homework Policy relies on students, parents and staff ensuring that school diaries are brought to all classes.

Staff:

- Set regular homework tasks for their subject.
- Monitor and assess homework and develop clear consequences if homework is not completed.
- Ensure that students write homework in their student diary including due dates.
- Give adequate time to complete homework and keep to deadlines wherever possible. (This may require checking student diaries to avoid overloading students)
- Inform parents if students are not completing work.
- Check and sign the diary regularly through the year.
- Give feedback in a timely manner.

Students:

- Record all homework, including due dates, in their student diaries.
- Make sure they understand what is required, and if necessary clarify and seek advice from their teacher **prior** to the due date.
- Complete homework to the best of their abilities.
- Establish regular routines to complete homework.
- Check and take home their diaries at the end of the day.

Parents/Carers:

 Check and sign communication teachers have made in the diary to acknowledge the note has been sighted.

Parents/Carers continued:

- Check and sign the diary at the end of each week to ensure homework is being completed.
- Encourage and assist students to establish a routine and complete homework

Guidelines:

The times are guidelines which may vary according to student's ability to and speed at which they complete set work. Times have been expressed as hours per week, however, it is essential that students set aside some time each night to complete homework and reading.

Teachers should set homework to fulfill the subject objectives. The workload being light in the junior years and gradually increase to senior years.

Year Level	Daily Home study (Hr)	Hours per week
7	1/2 hour – 1 1/4 hours	2 1/2 - 6 1/4
8	3/4 hour – 1 1/2 hours	3 3/4 - 7 1/2
9	1 hour - 1 3/4 hours	5 – 8 ³ / ₄
10	1 1/4 hours - 2 hours	6 1/4 - 10
11	1 1/2 hours 2 1/2 hour	10 1/2 - 17 1/2
12	2-3 hours	14 - 21

VCE/VCAL (Years 11 and 12).

These are suggested hours for homework. Be aware that at certain times during the year study and completion of work requirements and assessment tasks may take extra time.