

HOMework POLICY

Rationale: Students who wish to achieve their best possible academic outcomes should plan their home study programs carefully.

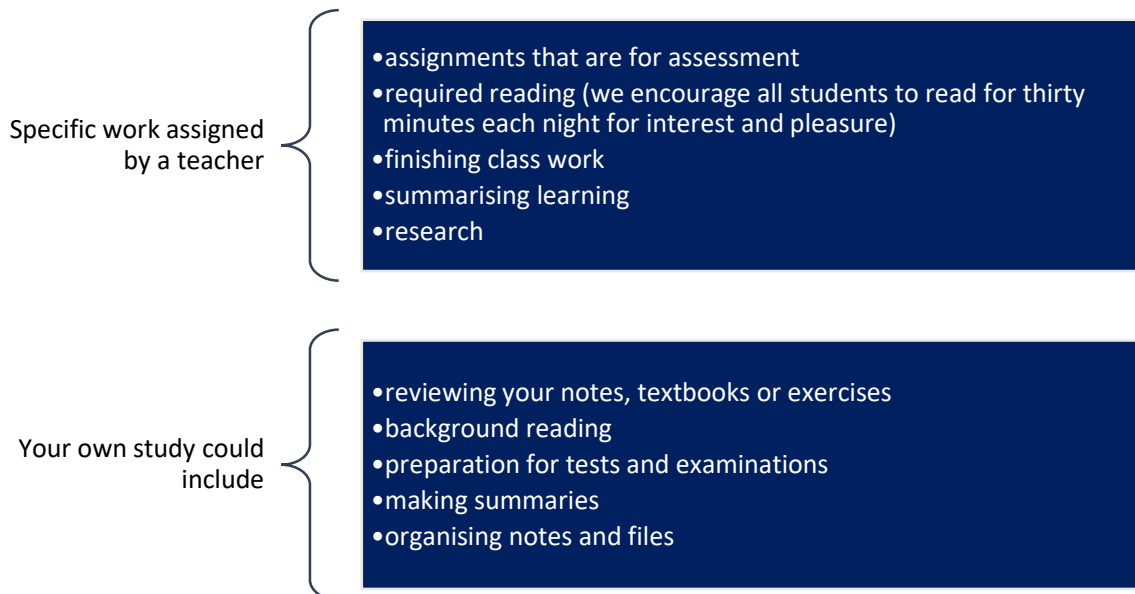
It is related to their ATTENDANCE and COURSE PARTICIPATION.

The aim of the Homework Policy is to encourage students to take greater responsibility for their learning and course participation at school and their academic success.

Why should we do homework?

- To consolidate work done in class. (Research clearly indicates that revision and reflection of work done during the school day increases the ability to recall learning by converting it from the short term to the long term memory).
- To give students the opportunity to extend their knowledge with self-directed learning activities, such as investigations and assignments.
- To give students the opportunity to identify what they do not understand.
- To develop organisational skills.
- To establish work habits for success in senior school and further study.
- To reinforce the concept that learning is lifelong and does not only take place at school.

Work at home might look like:



All students are required to complete homework as they progress through secondary school and the amount of homework depends on the nature of their course. Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) courses in Years 11 and 12 and ATAR preparation courses in Years 9 and 10 require a more organised and rigorous and organised study program.

The following times are a guide to enable a student to achieve their potential.

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Year Group	Daily Allocation	Weekly Allocation
7	45 minutes	3.75 hours
8	1 hour	5 hours
9	1.5 hours	7.5 hours
10	2 hours	10 hours
11 and 12 VET	3 hours	9 hours
11 and 12 ATAR	3 hours	15 hours

Students

- Need to plan and manage their time so that homework and assignments are completed by due dates.
- The physical and social development of a student is also important so time should be allocated for this.
- Are advised to draw up a timetable for study.
- Should organise themselves by writing homework and study commitments in a homework diary.
- Take pride in work completed at home rather than just rush through it.

Parents

- Can assist by providing a comfortable and quiet area at home in which to study (good lighting, desk and chair).
- Check to see your child is not distracted by social media while they are studying.
- You are helping to set good study and learning habits by taking an interest in your child's homework.
- Check your child's diary and if you have concerns, discuss these with the Team Leader or Year Coordinator.

Teachers

- Are encouraged to set regular homework.
- Check homework and return assessments within seven (7) school days of submission.
- Give time during the lesson to record homework accurately in the student diary.
- If homework is not completed, communicate this to parents.
- Take into account homework commitments from other learning areas.
- Give an appropriate time allocation for the completion of homework.

We encourage all students to read for thirty minutes each night for interest and pleasure.