

## **HOMEWORK POLICY**

### **Homework that is effective in supporting learning:**

- is clearly related to class work
- is appropriate to particular years of schooling
- is varied and differentiated to your individual learning needs
- consolidates, revises and/or applies your classroom learning
- develops your independence as a learner through extension activities such as investigating, researching, writing, designing, making
- assists you to prepare for upcoming classroom learning, such as collecting relevant materials and information, completing surveys and audits
- allows for your commitment to recreational, employment, family and cultural activities.

### **Students can take responsibility for their own learning by:**

- being aware of the school's homework policy
- discussing with your parents or caregivers homework expectations
- accepting responsibility for the completion of homework tasks within set time frames
- following up on comments made by teachers
- seeking assistance when difficulties arise
- organising your time to manage home obligations, participation in physical activity and sports, recreational and cultural activities and part-time employment

### **Parents and caregivers can help their children by:**

- helping them to complete tasks by discussing key questions or directing them to resources
- encouraging them to organise their time and take responsibility for their learning
- encouraging them to read and to take an interest in and discuss current local, national and international events
- helping them to balance the amount of time spent completing homework, watching television, playing computer games, playing sport and engaging in other recreational activities
- contacting the relevant teacher to discuss any concerns about the nature of homework and their children's approach to the homework

- You are expected to prepare your own Homework/Study Timetable to meet the required times listed
- You are expected to record your homework in your Student Planner
- Junior students have Maths online homework
- Junior students have Reading homework – 10 minutes per day up to 60 minutes per week
- If you have not been given specific other subject homework, you should revise work you have completed in class. This practice is known to improve retention of new learning
- You should allow 5 minutes each evening to organise things for the next day
- You should attend the Homework centre and/or subject tutorials when needed

**Homework / Study hours are:**

Year 7	<p><b>3 to 4 hours per week</b> made up of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60 minutes of Reading,</li> <li>• 30 minutes of Maths,</li> <li>• 30 of minutes English and</li> </ul> <p>approximately 15 minutes per other subjects</p>
Year 8 and 9	<p><b>5 hours per week</b> made up of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60 minutes of Reading,</li> <li>• 60 minutes of Maths,</li> <li>• 60 minutes of English and</li> </ul> <p>approximately 30 to 45 minutes per other subjects</p>
Year 10	<p><b>7 hours per week made up of:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60 minutes of Reading,</li> </ul> <p>60 minutes for each subject</p>
Year 11 and 12	<p><b>Up to 15 hours per week</b> – this will vary depending on the learning needs and the individual program of the students. ATAR/General subjects have a higher homework/study requirement.</p>

- During periods of assessment these times may increase
- **Students will receive a grade for homework on their student report card**