

Homework Policy Junior Secondary – Year 7, 8 and 9

Homework is any work or activity which students are asked to do outside lesson time.

The Purpose of Homework

- To help students deepen their knowledge.
- To help students to develop fluency.
- To introduce content to students in preparation to learn new content.
- To extend school learning through additional reading.
- To work on projects and assignments or prepare oral presentations.
- To encourage students to become independent learners.

Student's Responsibility

- Students must take their record books to every class and record homework in it.
- Students must accept that deadlines must be kept.

Parent's/Carers Responsibility

- Parents/ Carers should support students with their homework but accept that their role will become less and less important as students become more responsible and independent.
- Parents/ Carers should make it clear to students that they value homework.
- Parents /Carers should check the Record book at least once a week.
- Parents/Carers should encourage students to meet homework deadlines.
- If parents/ Carers feel that insufficient or too much homework is being set, they should contact the class teacher who will respond to the situation. If necessary the Academic Coordinator will also investigate the situation.

Non Completion of Homework

- When homework has not been done, appropriate action will be taken by the classroom teacher.
- The teacher will 'stamp' the record book in order to alert the parents/carers that homework has not been completed for a particular subject. If the student receives three stamps for a subject, the Academic Coordinator will contact the Assistant Principal who will alert the parents/carers that further action may be necessary.

Homework should not prevent students from participating in an activity after school such as sport, music, clubs of any kind or family commitments. Students should plan such activities to allow time to complete homework.