

Saint Louis Secondary School

Homework and Study Policy

The purpose of homework

Homework is designed to meet the following purposes:

- Reinforce and strengthen concepts taught in class
- Complete unfinished class work
- Review and practise previous learning
- Develop independent study skills and work habits
- Develop responsibility and good time management
- Enhance academic achievement

Role of teacher

- To set a variety of homework assignments
- To set homework that is appropriate both to the course being taught and to the age and stage of the pupils concerned
- To mark that homework and to provide the pupil with feedback in a way that facilitates ongoing improvement and learning
- To communicate with parents where a pattern of unsatisfactory homework emerges

Role of pupil

- To record all given homework in the homework journal.
- To carry out all homework assignments, both written and non-written diligently.
- To seek clarification from the teacher on any aspect of the homework of which she is unsure.
- To make the homework available for correction at the nominated time.

Role of parent

- To support the pupil in carrying out her homework assignments by providing an environment/room that is appropriate for this task.
- To supervise the doing of homework and give advice and assistance as required.
- To sign the homework if requested by the teacher
- Assist the development of learning strategies (eg. Organisational skills, time management)

Suggested Duration of Homework and Study

The following table provides guidelines for the amount of time that should be spent on homework/study per night. The times indicated represent a minimum.

Year	Time
First	One and a half hours
Second	Two and a half hours
Third	Three and a half hours
Transition	Two and a half hours
Fifth	Three hours
Sixth	Three and a half hours