



## Homework Guidance – January 2019

At HGSS we use homework to...

- ...foster independent study
- ...support students' academic outcomes
- ...deepen knowledge and understanding by consolidating learning
- ...prepare students for work and study to come
- ...aid students in meeting subject area end game objectives
- ...appropriately challenge students regardless of 'age-stage'

Classroom teachers are expected to...

- Plan and deliver homework tasks in line with the Teacher Standard 4.3 (2012)
- Only set homework if it is appropriate in extending or developing their students' knowledge and understanding
- Ensure any homework set does not exceed the expected timings below:
  - Year 7 and 8: 30-60 minutes in length
  - Year 9-11: 60-90 minutes in length
  - Year 12 and 13: 5 hours per subject per week
- Share the details of homework tasks at the beginning of the lesson in which it is being set
- Ensure students record homework tasks effectively in their student planners
- Record the details of each task set on Show My Homework
- Allow students at least a week to complete each task set
- Celebrate students who produce highly effective responses to homework tasks
- Use the sanction system consistently if homework is not completed

Classroom teachers are not expected to...

- Set homework according to a whole school timetable
- Mark every piece of homework set – some may be peer/self-assessed

Students are expected to...

- Record all homework tasks in their planners, including the submission date
- Login and use their personal Show My Homework calendar
- Complete homework set, even if they are absent on the day it is set
- Hand in all homework tasks on time

Parents/Carers should be expected to...

- Check their child's planner daily to be informed of all homework tasks set
- Login and use their personal Show My Homework calendar
- Provide feedback on the homework tasks their child has been set

Heads of Subject are expected to...

- Monitor the quantity and quality of homework set by staff in their departments, using Show My Homework and any MER related activity,
- Respond to any parental feedback regarding homework tasks set within their subject area