

# Homework Policy All Saints Catholic School



"We are all one in Christ, our mission and our responsibility is to recognize all individuals in our community as part of the body of Christ and to value them accordingly in our treatment of them, thriving and progressing in a spirit of togetherness"

(1 Cor. 12:29)

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### Rationale

This policy has been developed to ensure the inclusion of all students with due regard to SEN, Most Able, gender, EAL, Looked After Children, and those students who are on the register in relation to Child Protection issues. At All Saints School we value the worth of every individual and the contribution they make to the school community as a whole.

Homework is a student led learning activity, completed outside of lesson time, which can take many forms:

- It can mean following up, consolidating or extending work learnt in class
- It may involve developing autonomy and independent learning skills
- Homework may also on occasion involve collaborating with members of the student's family or local community
- Long-term learning projects may also be designed that will be completed over the course of a set period of time to deepen the students' knowledge and understanding of a particular topic whilst also providing them with the opportunity to become self-managers, meeting deadlines and becoming more confident researchers.

It is always seen as a worthwhile activity requiring the student to spend quality time, appropriate to their age and stage of development.

### **Purposes:**

- To ensure homework is a valuable aspect of the learning process
- To develop independence and sound study habits
- To help with the development of a positive attitude towards personal achievement
- To assist in involving parents in the education of their children.
- To provide additional information for student assessment
- To engage and inspire students in a variety of learning experiences outside the classroom

## **Expectations:**



- Each student in Key Stage 3, 4 and 5 will be assigned homework in each subject on a regular basis. Parents will receive a detailed homework timetable in September.
- Show My Homework (SMHW) is a simple homework calendar that All Saints School uses to ensure homework is set and communicated to all parents/carers.
- Google Classroom (GC) will also be used in conjunction with SMHWK with Guardian features enabled for home contact and information.
- Teachers use it to set homework quickly and ensure that students and parents/carers always have the information they need about homework available.
- Students and parents are expected to check SMHW via the app or website or through the school log in page online
- Homework should be noted in student journals with reference to Show My
   Homework / GC
- Teachers should set homework, in line with the set homework timetable, in lessons and/or referring to Show My Homework / GC
- The amount of homework will vary according to the age and stage of development of the student e.g. 1 hour/night for KS 3, 2 Hours/night for KS4
- Teachers will be responsible for reviewing the homework assignment of each child and ensuring students receive good quality feedback on their work
- Use of school praise and reward system to recognise and celebrate exemplary homework efforts
- Heads of Year will be responsible for organising the homework timetable for their year, in consultation with Heads of Department



- Parents will be informed of their child's failure to complete homework
- Students are required to meet deadlines given for the homework tasks
- Parents will be responsible for checking homework every evening and signing the
   Student Journal each week

# Conclusion

This policy makes clear the threeway responsibility for homework;

- teachers for setting, assessing and monitoring the quality of homework ensuring that it promotes good learning and study habits
- students for managing homework, meeting deadlines and completing good quality
   work that compliments and/or extends learning completing tasks on time
- parents for cooperating with the School to ensure that the homework is completed to a good standard and promotes opportunities for learning