

Homework Protocols



ST ANDREWS
CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

INSPIRED BY
FAITH

DISTINGUISHED BY
CHARACTER

LEADERS BY
INFLUENCE



Homework Protocols

PREAMBLE

All policy, protocols and procedures flow from the St Andrews Christian College Mission Statement:

“To educate our students so that they are well skilled, understand life on the basis of biblical truth, and are motivated to walk with God and serve Him in their lives, so that they will be a positive Christian influence in the world.”

POLICY DOCUMENT INFORMATION

TITLE:	Homework Protocols
AUTHORS:	Y. Hughes
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:	
PURPOSE:	To provide policy and direction for all the College Community.
RELATED DOCUMENTS:	

KEY DATES

ISSUE DATE:	June 2016
REVIEW DATE:	2018



1. RATIONALE

Homework benefits students by reinforcing classroom learning, fostering good study habits and providing an opportunity for students to be responsible for their own learning.

2. AIMS

- To support and extend classroom learning.
- To develop positive study habits.
- To develop a responsibility for self-learning.

3. IMPLEMENTATION

- The College's homework expectations will be communicated to parents at the commencement of each school year.
- All students will be allocated homework via diaries or Canvas.
- Classroom teachers will set daily homework appropriate to each child's skill level and age.
- Homework activities should be interesting, challenging and where appropriate, open-ended.
- Each set task must be purposeful, meaningful and relevant to the current classroom curriculum.

4. THE NATURE OF HOMEWORK

Homework throughout the Primary and Secondary years will consist mainly of:

- Reinforcing what was learned in class.
- Preparing for what will be learned / discussed in class.
- Research (Assignments).
- Topic revision or test preparation.

5. TIME CONSIDERATIONS

In the Primary years, it is expected that children will do homework four nights a week. In the Secondary years this expectation is extended to five nights per week with some weekend homework requirements. For students undertaking VCE, homework may include upwards of approximately six hours of work on weekends during peak VCE periods.

The following list provides a general guideline as to the amount of time students should be spending on homework and study each week night.

- Prep: 10-15 minutes.
- Year 1 and Year 2: 15 - 30 minutes (with occasional extra).
- Year 3 and Year 4: 25 - 40 minutes (includes reading, maths and a spelling activity and occasionally project work).
- Year 5 and Year 6: 30 - 50 minutes.
- Year 7 and Year 8: 1 - 1 ½ hours.
- Year 9 and Year 10: 1 ½ - 2 ½ hours.
- Year 11 and Year 12: 2 ½ - 3 ½ hours.