

# 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.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Time</b>
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