



Homework

Homework is an acknowledged and necessary part of student life at Westfields Sports, expected to be planned, fairly issued and followed up.

Homework refers to tasks assigned to students by their teachers to be completed outside of the classroom. Common homework assignments may include a quantity or period of reading, writing, problems to be solved, a school project to be built or other skills to be practiced.

Homework is given to extend and/or reinforce work done in the classroom. This is not necessarily every day.

The quality should increase with the Curriculum Stage and consideration should be given to the pupil and well as to his/her other teachers who also will set tasks to be completed.

Points to consider when setting homework:

- Allow for the different work rates and abilities of students
- Be stage appropriate.
- Be considerate of student's outside commitments such as sport, cultural activities, tuition, part time employment and home responsibilities.
- Provide some flexibility and options for different student circumstances.
- Take into account student's access to resources and technology outside school hours.
- Plan it so it relates clearly to the material being studied.
- Take care with the instructions so that both students AND parents are clear on the objective of the task.
- Set a due date; consider students' workload and other pressures; for seniors, consider the formal assessment listed in the school calendar.
- Staff should encourage students in the junior school to record homework in a homework diary. Seniors should be advised and expected to do so.
- Homework is to be checked and feedback given. A record of formal homework set and completed is to be recorded in the teacher's markbook. Homework marks can be included in the class mark of the School Reports.
- There will be instances where you may be asked to provide additional work for students on Extended Leave or for extended sickness. Please assist in ensuring that when requested this work is provided.

Reporting and Feedback:

- Marked work would be returned to the student, as soon as possible. Written feedback is to be provided to students commenting on what needs to improve to achieve the required outcomes.
- Late homework, which is not an assessment task, should to be automatically penalised, unless there is an acceptable excuse provided, within Faculty Policy Guidelines.

Assessment Tasks:

If the homework is an assessable task, refer to the School's Assessment Policy.