

TERANG COLLEGE

STUDENT HOME STUDY

POLICY

1. RATIONALE

In order to achieve desired outcomes, it is widely acknowledged students must develop sound study habits and techniques. The College is committed in assisting students to develop these study habits through the assignment of relevant, meaningful and targeted tasks, which does not unduly add to student workloads.

2. AIMS

- 2.1. To encourage the learning process to be ongoing for all students.
- 2.2. To develop organisational and time management skills through the revision and review of classwork.
- 2.3. To involve parents/guardians in their children's education.
- 2.4. To encourage independent learning.

3. IMPLEMENTATION

- 3.1. Issues, actions and decisions relating to this policy will take into account Department of Education and Training policies, memos, guidelines and circulars and Government Ministerial Orders and Acts.
- 3.2. Each student will be assigned home study in each subject as required.
- 3.3. College staff will actively teach and reinforce study habits.
- 3.4. While the amount of home study will vary, according to age and learning needs, it is expected every student may have some home study on each school day.
- 3.5. Guidelines as to the amount of time for each year level, in each subject, shall be determined by sub school managers, VCE/VCAL guidelines.
- 3.6. All students will have access to learning platforms: Compass class, Dojo and teams via a device.
- 3.7. Parents/guardians are encouraged to keep up with student study via compass.
- 3.8. Teaching staff and parents/guardians should regularly emphasise the benefits of the College Home Study Policy.
- 3.9. All students are encouraged to complete home study activities and may be rewarded for their efforts.
- 3.10. The following are suggested times for homework for each year level and are only approximate times. Students who do not utilise class time efficiently will need to spend more studying outside of class time. As students reach VCE/VCAL level they will need to spend time studying as well as doing homework.
 - 3.10.1. **Foundation - 6**
 - 3.10.1.1. It is expected that students at this level should complete 10-15 minutes of home study per night, this may include:
 - 3.10.1.2. Reading a wide variety of texts
 - 3.10.1.3. Word list rings (F-2)
 - 3.10.1.4. Work not completed in class will at times will be expected to be completed at home where appropriate.
 - 3.10.1.5. Project work and work from specialist classes may include completing unfinished tasks.
 - 3.10.2. **Year 1:**
 - 3.10.2.1. 'Take Home' books every night.
 - 3.10.2.2. Word list in book cover.
 - 3.10.2.3. Weekly work sheet related to current class activity or a shared maths activity to be done with parents.

- 3.10.3. **Year 2:**
- 3.10.3.1. Reading of 'take home' books on a regular basis.
 - 3.10.3.2. Word lists for reading/spelling practise.
 - 3.10.3.3. Learning of tables and basic number facts.
 - 3.10.3.4. Practise of class activities where appropriate.
- 3.10.4. **Year 3 & 4:**
- 3.10.4.1. Reading: Children encouraged to take books home on a regular basis
 - 3.10.4.2. Tasks set will be a combination of contracts, spelling (demon, theme and 'have a go' words, tables and revision of particular skills)
 - 3.10.4.3. Incomplete work/projects will be a homework tasks where appropriate.
- 3.10.5. **Year 5&6**
- 3.10.5.1. Reading of 'take home' books for 15 minutes, four times a week.
 - 3.10.5.2. Students will be given weekly word lists for spelling and reading practice. Each week students will complete three-word study activities using the word lists as a basis of these activities. Word list will be in the book cover. This should take no more than 30 minutes per week.
 - 3.10.5.3. Occasional project work and work from specialist classes – completing unfinished tasks or catching up. Work requirements will be discussed fully in class to establish what is expected and what research is likely to be needed.
 - 3.10.5.4. Weekly work sheet related to current class activity or a shared maths activity to be done with parents.
 - 3.10.5.5. Learn table number facts and general maths exercises.
- 3.10.6. **Year 7&8**
- 3.10.6.1. All students are expected to plan time at home to develop study habits and complete homework.
 - 3.10.6.2. Study may include reviewing work, writing summary notes, creating spelling lists, reading newspapers and watching current affairs programs.
 - 3.10.6.3. It is expected that students at this level should complete 3 hours of home study per week, this may include:
 - 3.10.6.3.1. Reading of 'take home' books for 20 minutes per night, 5 times a week.
 - 3.10.6.3.2. Work not completed in class will at times be expected to be completed at home where appropriate.
 - 3.10.6.3.3. Completing 30 minutes of maths study each week.
 - 3.10.6.3.4. Project work and work from specialist classes may include completing unfinished tasks.
 - 3.10.6.3.5. Weekly activities in other classes related to current class activity such as Geography in the news, French spelling words. These activities should be included in the 3 hours home study per week.
- 3.10.7. **Year 9&10**
- 3.10.7.1. All students are expected to plan time at home to develop study habits and complete homework.
 - 3.10.7.2. Study may include reviewing work, writing summary notes, creating spelling lists, reading newspapers and watching current affairs programs.
 - 3.10.7.3. It is expected that students at this level should complete 5 hours of home study per week, this may include:
 - 3.10.7.3.1. 'Reading of 'take home' books for 30 minutes, three times a week.
 - 3.10.7.3.2. Completing 90 minutes of maths study each week. This will include continuing maths classwork and developing study notes.
 - 3.10.7.3.3. Project work and work from specialist classes may include completing unfinished tasks.
- 3.10.8. **Year 11**
- 3.10.8.1. It is expected that students will complete at least 2-3 hours of study per subject per week.
 - 3.10.8.2. This will include;
 - 3.10.8.2.1. completing unfinished work
 - 3.10.8.2.2. Completing set homework tasks
 - 3.10.8.2.3. Revising notes for clarity
 - 3.10.8.2.4. Revising for exams
- 3.10.9. **Year 12**

- 3.10.9.1. It is expected that students will complete at least 3 hours of study per subject per week.
- 3.10.9.2. This will include;
 - 3.10.9.2.1. Completing unfinished work
 - 3.10.9.2.2. Completing set homework tasks
 - 3.10.9.2.3. Revising notes for clarity
 - 3.10.9.2.4. Revising for exams

4. EVALUATION

- 4.1. This policy will be reviewed as part of the College three-year review cycle.

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