



# Homework Policy

## Star of the Sea Rationale for Homework:

Homework provides students with opportunities to deepen understanding and consolidate their classroom learning. Homework can help prepare students for lifelong learning beyond the classroom and assists in the development of responsibility, independence, and organisational skills. Homework provides opportunities for family members to be involved in a child's learning, providing insights into what is being taught in the classroom.

## **Homework should:**

- Be purposeful and relevant to students' needs
- Cater for the diverse learning needs of students
- Be varied and clearly related to work covered in class
- Provide opportunities for students to consolidate literacy and numeracy skills
- Allow for student commitment to recreational, sporting, family, religious and cultural activities
- Be monitored by teachers and parents
- Provide feedback to teacher, parents and student

| Student Responsibility   | Parent/Caregiver Responsibility  | Teacher Responsibility   |
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| <p>Students should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• take responsibility for the completion of their homework</li> <li>• communicate with teacher/parent/caregiver if they experience difficulty with homework</li> <li>• complete homework to the best of their ability</li> <li>• meet homework deadlines</li> </ul> | <p>Parents/Caregivers should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• support the student without taking responsibility for the homework</li> <li>• keep homework as a positive experience as possible</li> <li>• provide a workspace conducive to the completion of homework tasks (free from distractions)</li> <li>• ensure there is a balance between homework and other important family/extra-curricular activities</li> <li>• communicate to the teacher if homework is creating a negative atmosphere or if the student is experiencing ongoing difficulties</li> </ul> | <p>Teachers should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be realistic with time, difficulty and quantity of homework set</li> <li>• cater for different student needs and capabilities</li> <li>• to make all the homework tasks meaningful and relevant</li> <li>• set homework that builds students' confidence</li> <li>• provide feedback to aid student learning</li> <li>• clearly communicate to students what is expected in relation to homework, and how it is to be completed by providing models for students to follow where appropriate</li> <li>• communicate to parents/caregivers if there are ongoing concerns regarding homework</li> </ul> |