



Cecil Hills High School

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HOMEWORK

At Cecil Hills High School, students are expected to complete homework. This includes revision, studying, assessment tasks, work set by the teacher and any other task that supports teaching and learning within the classroom. Research shows that good homework habits can improve student progress by an additional five months over a calendar year. The following is a guide to the amount of homework to complete:

- Year 7 and Year 8:
1½ hours each night
- Year 9 and Year 10:
2 hours each night
- Year 11 and Year 12:
3 hours each night

Students are required to use their diary to record homework. Parents are requested to sign their child's diary each week. Connect teachers work with students to promote positive homework habits and check student use of the diary. Parents should note that students will always have something to do at home to support their learning. If your child reports they have completed all of their work, you can work with your child to undertake the following:

- **Study notes:** It is important for students to revise by summarising what they have learned. This can be as simple as writing three summary sentences for each lesson to create study notes.
- **Reading a novel:** One of the best ways to improve literacy is to read a novel. Our school library has many novels and Liverpool City Council libraries at Carnes Hill, Green Valley and Liverpool also have a wealth of reading material: <https://mylibrary.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/>
- **Moodle:** This is our online learning platform which has a number of resources, links, quizzes and activities for students to complete. You can access Moodle here: <https://web3.cecilhills-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/moodle/>
- **Mathletics:** Year 7 to Year 10 students have a Mathletics account. The website has numeracy activities for students to complete. You can access the website here: <http://au.mathletics.com/>
- **WordFlyers:** Year 7 and Year 9 students have a WordFlyers account. The website has literacy activities for students to complete. You can access the website here: <https://wordflyers.com.au/>
- **Assessment tasks:** Every course from Year 7 to Year 12 has regular assessment tasks. Our school website has a copy of our assessment booklets for each grade. Each assessment booklet contains a summary page which outlines when assessment tasks are due throughout the year. You can access your child's assessment booklet here: <https://www.cecilhillshigh.nsw.edu.au/assessment-booklets>
- **Edrolo:** Our school subscribes to this online service for selected Year 11 and Year 12 courses. The website contains video explanations of key content and quizzes for students to complete: You can access the Edrolo website here: <https://edrolo.com.au/>
- **Past HSC exams:** The NESA website has past HSC exams. Year 11 and Year 12 students can complete questions from past HSC exams for practise. You can access the NESA website here: <https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/resources/hsc-exam-papers>
- **Connect After The Bell:** This program operates in the Library from 3.00pm to 4.30pm on a Thursday afternoon. Year 7 and Year 8 students are able to access free support from teachers to help with homework and assessment tasks.
- **HSC Test Yourself App:** This app contains self-correcting multiple choice questions from past HSC exams. You can find information on the app here: <http://shop.nesa.nsw.edu.au/en/bostes/hsc-test-yourself-%28app%29>

As you can see, a number of the above strategies require the use of a device. Similarly, we require all students from Year 7 to Year 12 to bring a device to school each day under our *Bring Your Own Device* policy as this enables students to access our online learning platforms. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

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