

ST. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA SCHOOL

HOMWORK2017-18

Homework is assigned to reinforce material already taught and to foster habits of independent study, creativity and self-discipline. It is a very important part of the learning process and has an effect on student success in class. Homework assignments may be counted as a grade, and in some cases, late assignments may be allowed with reduced credit. All students are expected to bring their completed homework assignments to classes each day. It is also expected that students put forth a genuine effort to turn in "high quality" homework.

It is important for students to understand that it is reasonable for them to require assistance from others when they do not understand a homework assignment. However, there is a difference between cooperative learning and simply exchanging answers. Students are encouraged to seek help from someone who will facilitate the learning process or have discussions to enable them to solve problems. **It is a violation of the Student Conduct Policy to copy answers directly from another student's work, allowing another student to copy directly from his/her work or to verbally give or receive answers. Any violation of the Student Conduct Policy will result in disciplinary actions.** Recommended homework time allotment per day:

K-2	15 to 30 minutes per day
3-4	30 to 60 minutes per day
5-6	45 to 60 minutes per day
7-8	60 to 90 minutes per day

As each child is unique, the time to complete homework assignments will vary. These times are representative of a usual time period for students to complete their homework. It may be shorter or longer, depending on the student.

Parents should set aside a study time each day. Students should read daily for twenty minutes when possible. During this study time the students should do their written homework, study or read. It is the parent's responsibility to oversee that the student has completed all homework according to school guidelines. Students may be required to complete homework on weekends.

HOMWORK REQUESTS:

Due to a child's extended absence, parents may request homework be gathered by **contacting the individual teacher by email**. Teachers must be given 36 hours notice. Homework may be picked up in the school office or as determined by the teacher. An overview of homework will be available to parents on RenWeb. Each department has a policy on when homework must be turned in due to absences.