

# BRAY PARK STATE HIGH SCHOOL



## HOMEWORK POLICY

### WHAT IS HOMEWORK?

- Work set by a teacher to be completed at home by a set time.
- Revision of work covered in class even if not specifically set by the teacher, (THEREFORE STUDENT HOMEWORK).
- Assignments and projects to be worked on at home over a period of time to ensure that they are completed by the set date.
- All homework is compulsory.

### WHY IS HOMEWORK SET?

- To ensure that the classwork is understood and learnt.
- To learn and memorise the facts.
- To revise knowledge already gained.
- To develop independence in solving problems.
- To develop self discipline.
- To reveal to students any weakness in understanding so that they can ask a teacher's help at school.

### APPROXIMATE TIMES TO BE SPENT ON HOMEWORK EACH NIGHT ARE:

<b>YEAR 8</b>	<b>1 – 1.25 hours</b>
<b>YEAR 9, 10</b>	<b>1.5 – 2.0 hours</b>
<b>YEAR 11, 12</b>	<b>2+ hours</b>

Parents/Carers can assist students by supervising homework. Written and learning work is expected of all students. This Student Handbook-Diary is to be used by all students and taken into every lesson. Parents/Carers are requested to show an interest in the work students are doing and use the diary to communicate with school staff.

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## In Text Referencing

QUOTE: *Name of author/s*  
*Year of publication*  
*Page number*

EG: **(Townsend 2005, p.236)**

PARAPHRASING: *Name of author/s*  
*Year of publication*  
*Page number ONLY* if from a particular passage (not required if referencing the ideas in a section or publication).

EG: **(Townsend 2005, p.236)or(Townsend 2005)or Research into fairy floss revealed it was delicious (MacDribble 1995, p. 125). or Browne (2003) suggests...**

## Bibliography or Reference List

BOOK: Author's surname and initial/s, year of publication, *Title of article* (in italics), edition (if applicable), publisher, place of publication

EG: **Young, A C 2010, *Turtles: nature's oddities*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn, Jacaranda Press, Sydney**

NEWSPAPERS: Author's Surname and initial/s, year of publication, title of article (between single quotation marks), *title of newspaper, journal, magazine etc* (in italics), Volume number (if applicable), Issue number (if applicable), date of publication, Page numbers of the article.

EG: **Wallis, P 2008, 'Broncos going for gold', *Courier Mail*, 2-4 March, p. 145.**

WEBSITES: Author/editor/compiler year of the most recent version *Title*, version number (if applicable), description of document (if applicable), name and place of the sponsor of the source, viewed Day Month Year, <URL Full details or main site details depending on content>.

EG: **Department of Education and Training 2009 *Bray Park State High School*, Bray Park State High School information resource, Queensland Government, Viewed 14 November 2011 <http://brayparkshs.eq.edu.au/wcms/>.**

**JOURNAL ARTICLE:** Author Year, 'Article title', *Journal Title*, volume, issue, Viewed Day Month Year <URL>

**EG:** Griffith, A 1995, 'Coordinating family and school: mothering for schooling', *Education Policy Analysis Archives*, vol. 3. No. 1, Viewed 12 February 2012, <http://olam.ed.asu.edu/epaa/>

**\*Note:** This is the layout for a Journal article found on the internet.

**DVD or TV SHOW:** *Programme Title* year of release, Format, Distributor, Distributor location, Director and any other relevant credits. Date of airing if watched on television.

**EG:** *Fahrenheit 9/11* 2004, DVD, Columbia TriStar Home Entertainment, Culver City California. Written, produced and directed by Michael Moore.

**OR**

*What are we going to do with the money?* 1997, Television program, ABC Television, Brisbane, 8 August.

## FAQ's

**Q:** *How should I format my reference list or bibliography?*

**A:** You should always list your resources alphabetically and justify your text to the left.

**Q:** *What is the difference between a bibliography and a reference list?*

**A:** A bibliography is a list of all sources used in researching your topic whereas a reference list is a list of sources quoted, paraphrased or otherwise used in the text of your assignment.

**Q:** *What if I need to reference a source type not included in this guide?*

**A:** There are many websites dedicated to Harvard Referencing. If you Google Harvard referencing you should consider using a resource provided by a university, library or other institution. If in doubt, ask your teacher for a site that they recommend.

**Q:** *When do I reference?*

**A:** You must provide a reference whenever you quote, paraphrase or summarise someone else's ideas, theories or data. You must also reference any graphic information you use. Some of the sources you will need to reference include: books or chapters in books; journal or newspaper articles; films or television programs; personal communication like emails, interviews or letters, electronic sources such as web pages, journal articles, blogs, Facebook posts...**BUT DO NOT USE WIKIPEDIA!**