

Gosford Hill School Homework Policy

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Homework is important in secondary schools because it helps:

- Reinforce learning and retention of material covered in class.
- Develop study habits, time management and responsibility.
- Fosters independent learning and critical thinking skills.
- Provide opportunities for feedback and improvement.

Teacher's Role:

- Set and explain homework tasks.
- Provide clear instructions and necessary resources on Google Classroom.
 - Ensure each homework is titled clearly.
 - Use a topic called "Homework" for easier navigation.
 - Record the homework description and due date using Google Assignments.
- Ensure comprehension of tasks by students with SEND.
- Monitor homework completion through the school's centralised system (MIS - BROMCOM).
- Provide guidance to students for homework improvement.
- Give feedback in line with department policies.
- Consider equal opportunities and the needs of all students when assigning homework.

Rewarding for Positive Homework

The screenshot illustrates the BROMCOM system interface for rewarding students. It includes several callout boxes with instructions:

- Select the students who have completed homework to a good standard:** Points to the 'Student List' table where students are selected using checkboxes.
- Add selected students behaviour event:** Points to the 'Action' menu, specifically the 'Raise Behaviour Event' option.
- Select Positive:** Points to the 'Event Type' section where 'Positive' is selected.
- Select either R1 HOMEWORK or R2 HOMEWORK Submit & Close:** Points to the list of event types, specifically 'R1 Homework (R1-HOMEWORK)' and 'R2 Homework (R2-HOMEWORK)'.

The interface shows a 'Student List' table with columns: Last Name, First Name, Days Late, Score, and Status. Students listed include Ahmed, Andreis, Asuelimen, Baig, Bennett, Chambers, and De Jesus. A search bar and grid actions (Copy, Excel, CSV, PDF, Print) are also visible.

The 'Event Type' section shows a list of events with their respective points:

Event Type	Points
Above and Beyond nomination (R3-ABOVEANDBEYOND)	3
Perfect Week recognition (R3-PERFECTWEEK)	3
R1 Homework (R1-HOMEWORK)	1
R2 Homework (R2-HOMEWORK)	2
Resilient (R1-RESILIENT)	1

The bottom of the interface includes a 'Points' field, a 'Comments' field, and buttons for 'Close', 'Submit & Close', and 'Submit'.

1. Using the Bromcom class list, select each student you wish to reward.
2. Click the 'Action' button and add a 'Behaviour Event'.
3. In the new window, select the 'Positive' event and choose 'Homework' from the list.
4. There are two rewards for homework:
 - R1 HOMEWORK: for good quality homework.
 - R2 HOMEWORK: for outstanding homework.
5. Please briefly say which homework the points are for in the 'Comments' box

Reporting Missing Homework

Students are now selected to register non completion of homework – just switch the ticks over

Add selected students behaviour event

Select Negative

Select C1 Homework (-1)

Click on Submit & Close

1. From the Bromcom class list, select each student that has not met their homework deadline.
2. Click on the 'Action' button and select 'Behaviour Event'.
3. In the new window, choose the 'Negative event' and select the option 'Homework not completed on time'. This is a C1 and results in one negative point.
4. Please briefly say which piece of homework this refers to in the 'Comments' box

Consequences for non-completion of homework:

There is a detention structure which will issue detentions for students who have failed to complete homework.

For every second C1 registered for HOMEWORK, a message will go home on Bromcom to parents/carers to inform them that their child will have a lunchtime detention the following day. The student will also be sent an email at 5pm on the day before the homework detention.

These homework detentions will be for 30 minutes in the Old Library at lunchtime and students will be expected to do homework for the duration of the detention.

Failure to turn up for a homework detention will be regarded as a Behaviour event and will result in the student being put in IE for the rest of the day and for a 60 minute detention after school, during which they will be expected to work.