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School Improvement Plan

Teaching and Learning [September 2016 – June 2019]

Theme: Improving the Effectiveness
of Homework in our school.

Summary of Main Strengths

- Very dedicated and motivated teaching staff willing to improve the effectiveness of homework across all subject departments using a varied number and mix of strategies in relation to giving homework.
- Positive and ambitious students who are enthusiastic to embrace various methodologies in relation to homework in the pursuit of improving their learning experience.
- There is a very high level of parental involvement in all aspects of school life including checking school homework journals.

Summary of Areas Prioritised for Improvement

Having considered the results of the staff survey, parent survey, student survey and student focus group discussions, the Teaching and Learning Team propose to focus on the following areas to work towards improvements in the area of homework in our school over the next two years.

- Effective homework practices
- Varying homework activities
- Best practice in researching

Action to support Implementation of S.I.P.

1. Target: Update Homework Policy

Action: Policy Review Team to review policy to include new Appendices.
Staff Meeting to allow time to go through new policy with staff.
2. Target: To raise awareness amongst staff of “effective homework practices”.

Action: New Appendix I to be added to Homework Policy
Homework to be linked to Learning Outcomes at the beginning of each lesson.
New Appendix II to be added to Homework Policy with suggested homework activities. Teacher will be encouraged to vary the type of homework given.

