

**Tynecastle High School**  
**S1/2/3 Home Learning Booklet**  
**2014-2015**



# Tynecastle High School Home Learning Policy

## **The Power of Three**

To achieve success, three key people must work well together:

- the student
- the teacher
- the parent/carer

The Power of Three is the most important ingredient of success at school.

## **Students should:**

- Bring their student learning planner every day
- Keep a careful note of what is required and when it is due
- Plan ahead
- Make time to do homework carefully and well - take advantage of any study opportunities offered in school
- Look for help well when stuck or frustrated
- Make sure that completed homework is handed in on or before the date due

## **Teachers should:**

- Set homework which is at the right level
- Be aware of other pressures and responsibilities students may have
- Present homework tasks appropriately
- Allow sufficient time for all students to record the task in their student learning planner
- Be realistic about deadlines
- Check on homework done and give feedback
- Give recognition and reward for effort and work well done

## **Parents/carers should:**

- Check the student learning planner on a regular basis
- Ensure that students are making their best effort to complete homework
- Talk with students about what is being learned and sign the planner once a week
- Listen to worries and complaints and be patient
- Get in touch with the school if there are concerns

## DESIGN FACULTY

<b>Art &amp; Design</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly/Fortnightly
	Nature & Purpose	From the homework scheme online; sketching and collecting materials to work with in class

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<b>Design &amp; Technology</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly/Fortnightly
	Nature & Purpose	Students are issued with worksheets relating to Health & Safety in the workshop, and relating to the projects that they are working on

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<b>Home Economics</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly
	Nature & Purpose	Students are issued with sheets to complete questions relating to the recipes that they have made. Students are issued with question sheets and jotter work

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## ENGLISH

<b>English</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 1 hour
	Frequency	Weekly/Fortnightly
	Nature & Purpose	Questions from the homework booklets issued to all students. Answers written in homework jotters. Researching and consolidating classwork. Longer pieces of written work

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## MATHS

<b>Maths</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30-45 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly/Fortnightly
	Nature & Purpose	Students are issued with booklets, Q/A sheets or online assignments. Revision of classwork to consolidate learning

## MODERN LANGUAGES

<b>Modern Languages</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend between 20 and 30 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly
	Nature & Purpose	Students are all issued with work booklets. Preparing for speaking, reading and writing assessments

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## PERFORMANCE FACULTY

<b>Drama</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly
	Nature & Purpose	Building on classroom work, reflecting on and evaluating performances

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<b>Music</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30 minutes
	Frequency	1-2 other tasks per topic
	Nature & Purpose	Building on classroom work, developing instrumental technique

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<b>Physical Education</b>	Amount per week	5-10 minutes
	Frequency	2-3 per term
	Nature & Purpose	Pre-class work - watching clips of sports and activities linked with current class work

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

<b>Religious Education</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30 minutes
	Frequency	Fortnightly
	Nature & Purpose	Researching and consolidating classwork

## SCIENCE FACULTY

<b>Science and Biology, Chemistry and Physics in S3</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 30 minutes
	Frequency	Fortnightly
	Nature & Purpose	Research work, short answer questions to consolidate class learning, investigative tasks, revision for topic tests

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## SOCIAL SUBJECTS FACULTY

<b>Geography</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 15-30 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly
	Nature & Purpose	Researching and consolidating classwork

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<b>History</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 15-30 minutes
	Frequency	Weekly/Fortnightly
	Nature & Purpose	Consolidation of classwork, extended writing, past paper practice

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## TECHNOLOGIES FACULTY

<b>Business Studies/ Accountancy/ Administration</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 20-30 minutes
	Frequency	5 homeworks are set during the year
	Nature & Purpose	Consolidation of classwork

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<b>Computing</b>	Amount per week	Students are expected to spend up to 20-30 minutes
	Frequency	5 homeworks are set during the year
	Nature & Purpose	Consolidation of classwork