**TASK 1: Your research proposal is basically an initial PLAN for your research – Provide as much detail as possible – 500 words –Research Topic**

**\*Type one paragraph about your research topic, focus question**

* My research topic is based on…….
* More specifically, I aim to research the following guiding question; “……..”?)

**Background**

**\*Outline how you became interested in this area/topic and your reasons for choosing this topic/ question**

* I enjoy…
* I learnt about this…
* I want to develop my understanding…
* I wish to work in this area…
* I am particularly interested in the following areas/ related subjects…

**Learning Aims**

**Outline what you hope to learn**

* What information will you include in your Research Project?
* What areas do you wish to research (HINT: develop/brainstorm a series of sub-questions that will help you respond to your guiding question?

**The Research Process**

**Explain how you plan to carry out the research?**

* Where / how will you find/ locate the information (e.g. visit school/local library?)
* What Secondary sources will you use e.g. mainly web-based research, books, newspaper articles,
* What primary sources do you plan to locate/use e.g. who will you need to contact/ interview/ visit (organisations) / Observe / Test research e.g. Trial and error

\*\*\*Be specific - Describe briefly the type of information you will get from each source.

**Ethical Considerations**

**Refer to the sheet in the RP Booklet or SACE website: *Ethical Research – Guidelines for Students***

E.g. Will you need to;

* Ask permission to take photos
* Ask permission to use interview notes/ information
* Acknowledge other people’s ideas/ words
* Be sensitive to people’s special circumstances/ needs
* Make sure the people who give you information understand what your research is about.

Note\* All students will need to write about keeping an ongoing and consistent referencing system in order to avoid plagiarism.

**Chosen Capability**

Refer to Research Project booklet – firstly highlight the dot points from the capabilities chart that relate most to your project – Then in one paragraph, discuss which capability(s) link most to your project. You may consider 1 or more of the capabilities. (not recommended to focus on more than 2)

* **Literacy**
* **Numeracy**
* **Information and Communication Technology**
* **Critical and creative thinking**
* **Personal and social**
* **Ethical Understanding**
* **Intercultural Understanding**

NOTE\* in this paragraph:

* You need to state the capability. E.g. ‘I consider *Ethical understanding and Literacy* as the capabilities most relevant for my Research Project.’ The reason for this is….