



Homework Policy

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Rationale

Homework is an essential part of the learning process. It reinforces knowledge, develops independent study habits, and prepares students for the demands of Key Stage 4. This policy ensures that homework is meaningful, manageable, and consistently applied across all subjects.

Aims

- To consolidate and extend learning from the classroom
- To develop students' independence, organisation, and resilience
- To establish consistent routines for students, staff, and parents
- To ensure a balanced and manageable workload

Key Principles Behind This Timetable

- **Core subjects (English, Maths, Science)** appear twice weekly
- **Humanities & Languages** are spaced to avoid overload
- **Friday is lighter** to support wellbeing
- **Weekend is flexible** (not heavy homework-heavy)
- Encourages **independent study habits** without burnout

Homework Expectations

Frequency and Duration

- Please see appendix 1 to 5

Setting Homework (Staff Guidance)

- Homework must be set in line with the allocated day
- Tasks should be purposeful, clearly explained, and linked to learning
- A minimum of 2–3 days should be given before the deadline

- Staff should avoid setting additional homework outside the timetable
- Online platforms (e.g. Satchel One, Sparx, Seneca) should be used consistently

Why This Works

- Builds routine and independence
- Reduces last-minute panic
- Helps parents support learning at home
- Creates fairness across subjects

Student Responsibilities

Students are expected to:

- Record all homework tasks accurately
- Meet deadlines and manage their time effectively
- Produce work to the best of their ability
- Seek help in advance if they are unsure
- Bring completed homework to lessons or submit online as required

Support and Inclusion

We recognise that some students may require additional support:

- Adjustments will be made where appropriate for students with additional needs
- Homework clubs or supported study sessions may be provided
- Staff will consider accessibility and adaptations when setting tasks

Monitoring and Feedback

- Homework completion will be monitored by subject teachers and tutors
- Feedback will be given in line with departmental policies
- Patterns of non-completion will be addressed promptly. Homework plays an important role in reinforcing classroom learning, developing independent study habits, and preparing students for future success. Failure to complete homework without a valid reason may result in appropriate consequences or parental contact where concerns persist.

Parental Support

Parents and carers can support by:

- Encouraging a regular homework routine
- Providing a quiet space for study
- Checking homework platforms where possible
- Communicating with the school if concerns arise

Appendix 1: Homework Schedule for Year 9 students

Year 9	Time	Frequency
English	1 hour homework	Once a week
Maths	1 hour homework	Once a week
Geography	30 minutes homework	Once a week
History	30 minutes homework	Once a week
Science	30 minutes homework	Once a week
MFL	30 minutes homework	Once a week
RE	30 minutes homework	Once a week
Practical & Creative	30 minutes homework PE/DT/Art/Drama/Music/Comp Sc	Once a half term - rotation

Appendix 2: Example Homework timetable for Year 9 students

Day	Subject 1 (30 mins)	Subject 2 (30 mins)	Optional / Stretch (20 mins)
Monday	English	Maths	Reading (novel / article)
Tuesday	Science	Geography	Seneca / revision task
Wednesday	History	Modern Foreign Languages	Vocabulary practice
Thursday	Maths	RE	Sparx / online practice
Friday	English	Rotation: Practical & Creative: PE/DT/Art/Drama/Music/Computer Sc	Project work / coursework
Saturday	Light review (30 mins total)	—	Revision or catch-up
Sunday	—	—	Prep for week (organise bag, check homework)

Appendix 3: Draft Homework Schedule for Year 6-8 students

Year 6-8	Time	Frequency
English	1 hour homework	Once a week
Maths	1 hour homework	Once a week
MFL	30 minutes homework	Once a week
Science	30 minutes homework	Once a week
Foundation	30 minutes homework History/Geography/Art/Music/DT/PE/Comp Sc/RE	Once a half term - rotation

Appendix 4: Example Homework Timetable for Year 6-8 students

Day	Subject 1 (30 mins -1 hour)	Optional / Stretch (20 mins)
Monday	English	Reading (novel / article)
Tuesday	Maths	Seneca / revision task
Wednesday	Modern Foreign Languages	Vocabulary practice
Thursday	Science	Sparx / online practice
Friday	Foundation: History/Geography/Art/Music/DT/PE/Comp Sc/RE	Project work / coursework
Saturday	Light review (30 mins total)	Revision or catch-up
Sunday	—	Prep for week (organise bag, check homework)

Appendix 5: Draft Homework Schedule for Year 6-8 students

Autumn Term	Year 6: 20-30 mins per homework Year 7: 30-40 mins per homework Year 8: 30-40 mins per homework	
Week 1	Core	
	Foundation -Satchel recap	
Week 2	English Maths MFL Science	Core
	Art DT	Foundation
Week 3	English Maths MFL Science	Core
	Geography	Foundation
Week 4	English Maths MFL Science	Core
	PE & Computer Science	Foundation
Week 5	English Maths MFL Science	Core
	Music	Foundation
Week 6	English Maths MFL Science	Core
	History & RE	Foundation
Week 7	English Maths MFL Science	Core
	Art DT	Foundation