



12th September 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

Homework Setting and Organisation

In light of some parental feedback we have made changes to the format and organisation of homework setting for this academic year.

Homework will be organised as follows:

KS3 – there will be a 3 stage approach

- Literacy & Numeracy – Set weekly by English and Maths.
- Subject homework – Any set will be SIR marked by staff; the quantity and frequency is set by departments and dependent on the subject curriculum.
- Extension – This is a variety of optional tasks designed to challenge and extend learning for students.

KS4– there will be a 2 stage approach

- Subject homework – Any set will be SIR marked by staff; the quantity and frequency is set by departments and dependent on the subject curriculum.
- Extension – This is a variety of optional tasks designed to challenge and extend learning for students. Much of this will be linked to revision.

Compulsory homework will be displayed on Show My Homework, which Parents/Carers can access using their provided login or by searching for the school's homework calendar at the top left hand side of the homepage. Extension work will be on the school website.

The table overleaf outlines the frequency of homework to be set as a minimum expectation. There will not be set days for each homework, however there will be an expected week's turn around (at most) to allow students to develop independent learning and organisational skills.

The setting of homework will be internally moderated and, as this is a new system, I will be requesting staff, student and parent/carer feedback towards the end of this term.

Yours sincerely

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| Subject | Year Group | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| | Key Stage 3 | | | Key Stage 4 | |
| | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Maths | <i>Fortnightly</i> | | | | |
| English | <i>Weekly tasks with 1 SIR marked every 3 weeks</i> | | | | |
| Science | <i>Fortnightly</i> | | | | |
| Geography | <i>1 every 3 weeks</i> | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| History | <i>1 a month</i> | <i>1 every 3 weeks</i> | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| Modern Foreign Languages | <i>2 pieces fortnightly</i> | | | <i>4 pieces fortnightly</i> | |
| Music | <i>1 half termly</i> | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| Drama | <i>1 half termly</i> | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| Media | NA | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| Technology | <i>4 per rotation</i> | | | NA | |
| GCSE Resistant Materials | NA | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| GCSE Food Tech | | | | <i>Weekly</i> | |
| BTEC Engineering | | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| GCSE Textiles | | | | <i>Weekly</i> | |
| PE | | | | <i>2 per half term</i> | |
| Art & Photography | <i>3 per term. 1 SIR marked</i> | | | <i>2 per half term</i> | |
| ICT | <i>2 per half term</i> | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| Business Studies | NA | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| P&E | <i>2 per half term</i> | | | <i>Fortnightly</i> | |
| Beauty | NA | | | <i>Weekly</i> | <i>3 fortnightly</i> |