



Dear Parents/Carers,

Following our recent parent questionnaire, we are making **important changes to homework** from **Monday 3rd March (Week B)** to ensure it is meaningful, manageable, and supports students' success.

Homework plays a vital role in your child's learning journey, helping them develop the independent study habits essential for success in school and beyond. In lessons, students continually build upon key knowledge and skills as they progress through school. Homework ensures they **independently consolidate** this learning at home, reinforcing their understanding and helping knowledge stick. By completing homework, students are not only strengthening what they learn in class but also developing **crucial revision habits** that will support them all the way through school, in their final exams and future studies.

New Homework Structure

Students will follow a structured schedule, with subjects assigned to **Week A and Week B** as follows:

Year Group	Week A Homework	Week B Homework	Total Time
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) 	Up to 3 hours a week
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) Humanities (History / Geography / REP - up to 20 mins each) MFL (up to 20 mins) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) Technology (up to 20 mins) Art (up to 20 mins) Computing (up to 20 mins) Music/PA (up to 20 mins) 	Up to 4 hours 20 mins a week
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) Humanities (History / Geography / REP - up to 30 mins each) MFL (up to 30 mins) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) Technology (up to 30 mins) Art (up to 30 mins) Computing (up to 30 mins) Music/PA (up to 30 mins) 	Up to 5 hours a week
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) Religious Studies (up to 1 hour) Option N (up to 1 hour) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English (up to 1 hour) Maths (up to 1 hour) Science (up to 1 hour) Option O (up to 1 hour) Option P (up to 1 hour) 	Up to 5 hours a week

Maximum Weekly Homework Time

- Year 7: Up to 3 hours
- Year 8: Up to 4 hours 20 minutes





- **Year 9 & Year 10: Up to 5 hours**
- **Each of this equates to one hour or less per day in the school week.**



- ✓ **English, maths and science** will set homework **every week**.
- ✓ **Other subjects** will set homework **only when necessary** – no unnecessary tasks.
- ✓ Many tasks will take **less time than allocated** (e.g., most students complete Bedrock English in under 30 minutes, despite the 1-hour allowance).

The Purpose of Homework

Homework is designed to **consolidate learning** and build long-term knowledge through:

- ✓ **Retrieval practice** (quizzes, key term recall)
- ✓ **Application tasks** (problem-solving, written responses)
- ✓ **Taught revision activities** – helping students develop **strong revision habits** over time.

When is Homework Set and Due?

-  **Set every Monday** for subjects that require it that week.
-  **Due the following Monday** – providing clear deadlines.

Students have also received an **example homework schedule** via email to help them plan their time effectively.

Homework Support & Rewards

Rewards for Completing Homework

- House Points awarded for completed homework which can be redeemed for reward within school.
- A **"Spin the Wheel" prize draw** for consistent effort in assembly.

Support Available

- **Homework Club** is open **every lunchtime and after school** in the library.
- **Homework intervention sessions** for those needing extra help.

If Homework Isn't Completed

- Non-completion will be recorded with a homework log on Arbor.
- Intervention sessions will be issued.
- Repeated non-completion may lead to a meeting with parents and teachers.

By embedding these habits early on, we are ensuring that students are well-prepared for the demands of revision and exams. Thank you for working in collaboration with us to help your child/children reach their full potential.

Kind regards,
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