



Thursday, 1st October, 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Subject: Homework Policy Update

We have launched a new homework policy this academic year, to better support your son's academic progress. This updated approach focuses on quality over quantity, ensuring tasks are meaningful, manageable, and directly linked to classroom learning. Homework is targeted, will facilitate retrieval practice and will be set at the discretion of the subject leader. This means that not every subject will necessarily set homework every week.

We have already seen a big improvement in the quality and consistency of homework that is being produced by students. Over time we expect to see a very positive impact on their work in lessons and outcomes as a result of this. Thank you for your support.

As a reminder, homework is being set digitally every Monday and the deadline for submission is midnight on Sunday evening, allowing the students to manage their time. We expect all homework to be completed within the timeframe and to a high standard. We will make contact through a text message if your son has incomplete homework and they must attend Homework Club on Tuesday after school for 30 minutes to complete any missing homework. Should a student not attend on Tuesday, they will be required to attend Homework Club on Wednesday for an hour.

A recent research report suggests that consistent and effective homework can result in students making as much as 6 months additional progress over the course of their secondary education. This could be transformational for our students and your children. We need your support in making homework effective and so regular reminders on Monday and provision of a quiet space and a device for students to complete work at home is important. Homework club will be open for all students Monday to Thursday after school to attend voluntarily so they complete homework in school rather than at home if needed. There is also additional provision in the library at lunch time.

So far we have concentrated primarily on the older year groups but this will be fully operational for the whole school, including Year 7, by November 2nd. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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