



HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD AT HOME

KS4 OPTION SUBJECTS

Subject	Homework	Wider reading	How parents can help at home
NCFE Health & Fitness	• Attend extra-curricular clubs • Knowledge Organisers	• NCFE Level 1/2 Technical Award in Health and Fitness, Second Edition : Murray, Mike, Howitt, Ross: Amazon.co.uk: Books	• NCFE Health & Fitness knowledge organisers • Look at child's class book and engage in conversations about what they have learnt that week • Engage with playing sports/ activities with their child • Expose child to community clubs • Watch sport on TV together
GCSE Dance	• Refine and complete tasks that are not completed in lesson • Attend extra curricular clubs	• Knowledge organisers	• GCSE Dance knowledge organisers • Look at child's class book and engage in conversations about what they have learnt that week • Expose child to community dance clubs

Computer Science	• Regular Seneca Learning tasks (online)	• Knowledge Organisers • BBC Bitesize (Edexcel Computer Science)	• Ask your child to show you their Seneca homework tasks and progress on Seneca Learning • Encourage regular revision of topics completed in class • Encourage your child to use their knowledge organiser and revision guide to create revision resources such as mind maps and flash cards • Encourage your child to use online programming platforms such as Repl.it to practice their programming skills
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Business Studies	• Regular Seneca Learning tasks (online) • Written homework tasks	• Knowledge Organisers • BBC Bitesize (Edexcel Business) • BBC News – Business section • Clear Revise Edexcel Business revision guide	• Ask your child to show you their Seneca homework tasks and progress on Seneca Learning • Test your child using the questions on the back of the knowledge organiser • Encourage regular revision of topics completed in class • Encourage your child to use their knowledge organiser and revision guide to create revision resources such as mind maps and flash cards • Encourage discussion about business in the real world
Creative iMedia	• Practical in school sessions for practical coursework	• Knowledge Organiser • Clear Revise OCR Creative iMedia revision guide	• Ask your child to access free online photo editing software (Photo Pea) to practice their editing skills • Encourage regular revision of topics completed in class • Encourage your child to use their knowledge organiser and revision guide to create revision resources such as mind maps and flash cards

Textiles	• Practical in school sessions for practical coursework • Portfolio development • Externally set task preparation • Homework tasks	• Knowledge Organiser • Exam board student resources • BBC Bitesize	• Encourage attendance to Textiles intervention (this is a chance for students to refine work for their GCSE). • Encourage your child to discuss topics and deadlines with you so they have a clear understanding of what they need to do and when they need to have it done by • Encourage independent time at home to ensure work is completed and refined to meet deadlines. • Visit Art galleries and museums to gain inspiration for their own personal responses
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Hospitality and Catering	• Learning tasks (online – on teams) • Homework tasks	• Knowledge Organiser • WJEC ½ Hospitality and Catering revision guide • Exam board student resources	• Encourage regular revision of topics completed in class • Encourage your child to use their knowledge organiser and revision guide to create revision resources such as mind maps and flash cards • Watch cooking shows • Cook at home where possible • Encourage your child to discuss topics and deadlines with you so they have a clear understanding of what they need to do and when they need to have it done by
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Design Technology	• Learning tasks • Practical in school sessions for practical coursework	• Knowledge Organiser • Exam board student resources • OCR DT revision guide	• Encourage regular revision of topics completed in class • Encourage your child to use their knowledge organiser and revision guide to create revision resources such as mind maps and flash cards • Encourage your child to discuss topics and deadlines with you so they have a clear understanding of what they need to do and when they need to have it done by
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Art, Craft and Design

- Portfolio development
- Refine /complete work set in lesson
- Externally set task preparation

- Eduqas Knowledge organisers
- Exam board student resources
- BBC Bitesize

- Have conversations with your child about the work they are creating in school
- Familiarise yourself with the course specification
- Encourage attendance to Art intervention on a weekly basis to keep up to date with Portfolio (coursework) and externally set task prep work (exam) to ensure deadlines are met
- Encourage independent time at home to ensure work is completed and refined to meet deadlines.
- Visit Art galleries and museums to gain inspiration for their own personal responses
- Encourage using Pinterest and you tube to gain ideas and build on skills independently

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Photography

- Portfolio development (access to PowerPoint)
- Refine /complete work set in lesson
- Complete independent photoshoot tasks
- Externally set task preparation

- Eduqas Knowledge Organisers
- BBC Bitesize
- Exam board student resources

- Have conversations with your child about the work they are creating in school
- Familiarise yourself with the course specification
- Encourage attendance to Photography intervention on a weekly basis to keep up to date with Portfolio (coursework) and externally set task prep work (exam) to ensure deadlines are met
- ensure they have access to a computer device to access their school account to spend time at home to work on their PowerPoint portfolios
- Ensure they have internet access to use Photopea to allow them edit their own photographs (free online editing resource)

			• Visit Art galleries and museums to gain inspiration for their own personal responses • Support and encourage going to different locations for photoshoots to make their ideas original Encourage using Pinterest and you tube to gain ideas and build on skills independently through watching demos .
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History

- Regular revision for assessments. Completion of mind maps/flash cards/ timelines. Checklist RAG
- Completion of practice exam
- Completion of incomplete classwork.

- Knowledge organisers
- BBC Bitesize [GCSE History - Eduqas - BBC Bitesize](#)
- Revision guides.
- Eduqas revision guides available on parent pay.

- Support your child in ensuring homework is completed on time and to a good quality.
- Check your child's knowledge against the checklist and the Knowledge organiser.
- Test your child on information and understanding of the topic on the Knowledge organiser. Ask your child to talk about what we are studying in class.
- Encourage completion of homework and revision especially around assessment times.
- Watch History documentaries around the topics we study

			to further their knowledge of the world we live in. • Watch the news to encourage understanding of the modern world and discuss against events we are studying in class. • Listen to the podcasts on the BBC bitesize website.
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MUSIC	• Regular revision for in class assessments • Regular teams online quizzes • Completing missed / unfinished classwork • Continuing to work on compositions in own time • Continuing performance practice in own time	• BBC bitesize • Knowledge Organisers • Magazines such as NME • Online quizzes such as Quizlet	• Allow your child to hear a wide range of music genres through listening to different radio stations and sharing the music you were interested in when you were younger and now. • Have conversations about concerts and music events you have been to • Look out for free/ cheaper music events at venues like the RNCM and the Bridgewater hall • Attend local events where live musicians will be performing • Encourage your child to practice their chosen instrument a minimum of 3 times a week for 20 minutes at a time. This can be a piece for fun or that they have been working on in school.
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	• Intervention for group performance practice • Learning of lines • Research tasks to present in class on a regular basis • Teams Quizzes	• BBC bitesize • Research on plays from given scripts • Drama online accessible through the school library • Knowledge organiser	• Support pupils learning their lines by reading in other parts of the script. • Attend a local theatre performance • Ask pupils to show you a particular facial expression or gesture from the character they are currently playing in class. E.g. anger, elated, heartbroken etc.
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Biology

- 20-minute Educake quiz set weekly.
 - Use [Educake | An easier way to assess learning](#) to access.
 - Set each Monday, due in the following Sunday (by midnight)
 - Support session for homework on Wednesdays 3pm-4pm (Room F6)
- BBC KS3 science Bitesize: [GCSE Biology \(Single Science\) - Edexcel - BBC Bitesize](#)
 - Seneca Learning: [Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2](#)
- Help your child to develop a weekly routine for completing their Educake quizzes.
 - Test your child's understanding using knowledge organisers.
 - Encourage your child to access the **purple** independent learning function on Educake.
 - Remind your child about the independent study support for Science on Wednesdays after school.
 - Use Physics and Maths Tutor website for exam practice questions: [Edexcel GCSE Biology Revision - PMT](#)
 - Use Quizlet to help your child to produce flash cards or try exam-style questions.
[Edexcel GCSE Biology Revision | Quizlet](#)
 - Watch documentary series such as 'The Trials of Life' 'The Blue Planet' or 'Plant Earth' together.

Chemistry	• 20-minute Educake quiz set weekly. • Use Educake An easier way to assess learning to access. • Set each Monday, due in the following Sunday (by midnight) • Support session for homework on Wednesdays 3pm-4pm (Room F6)	• BBC Bitesize: GCSE Chemistry (Single Science) - Edexcel - BBC Bitesize • Seneca Learning: Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2 • Science News Explores News from all fields of science for readers of any age	• Help your child to develop a weekly routine for completing their Educake quizzes. • Test your child's understanding using knowledge organisers. • Encourage your child to access the purple independent learning function on Educake. • Remind your child about the independent study support for Science on Wednesdays after school. • Use Physics and Maths Tutor website for exam practice questions: Edexcel GCSE (9-1) Chemistry Revision - PMT
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Physics	• 20-minute Educake quiz set weekly. • Use Educake An easier way to assess learning to access. • Set each Monday, due in the following Sunday (by midnight) • Support session for homework on Wednesdays 3pm-4pm (Room F6)	• BBC Bitesize: GCSE Physics (Single Science) - Edexcel - BBC Bitesize • Seneca Learning: Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2	• Help your child to develop a weekly routine for completing their Educake quizzes. • Test your child's understanding using knowledge organisers. • Encourage your child to access the purple independent learning function on Educake. • Remind your child about the independent study support for Science on Wednesdays after school. • Use Physics and Maths Tutor website for exam practice questions: Edexcel GCSE Physics Revision - PMT
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Religious Studies

- Completion of Key Pieces – exam questions set regularly throughout the course

- Oak Academy: <https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/religious-education-secondary-ks4-gcse-aqa/units>

Exam Board: AQA

Component 1: Christian and Muslim Beliefs and Practices

Component 2: Theme A (Relationships and families), Theme B (Religion and Life), Theme C (the Existence of God and Revelation) and Theme E (Crime and Punishment)

- BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zjgx47h>
- Knowledge Organisers
- 'The Little Book of Quotes' - provided by Ms Smale
- Free flashcards provided by Ms Smale

- Ensure your child safely stores and doesn't lose all free revision resources provided
- Consider purchasing the official revision guides and flashcards – if required, please let me know and they can be put on ParentPay and ordered.
- Encourage your child to go onto Oak Academy for missed lessons or to consolidate class learning
- Encourage attendance at intervention Monday after school if your child has been identified as needing to attend