

## HOMEWORK POLICY

### *Non Sibi Sed Aliis*

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.  
Psalm 119, vs 105

“Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you; love her, and she will watch over you. The beginning of wisdom is this: Get wisdom. Though it cost all you have, get understanding.” Proverbs 4: 6-7

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Rationale: Homework aims to provide opportunities for deeper learning and exploration of aspects of the curriculum studied and lessons. It should challenge students to strive to improve their knowledge and understanding.

- Homework is set for all students, increasing in range and demand, as students move up the school in accordance with the ability of the student.
- Regular homework encourages independent learning and study skills as well as adding valuable hours of study time to those available in school. It is an important matter in home-school links.

Guidance is provided with regard to the frequency of homework setting and there is flexibility to incorporate the full range of homework tasks. This guidance is available on request as well as on the website. There are sessions in school for students to support them in organising their home study and support in KS4 with parental engagement sessions to support independent study and remote/home learning.

Guidelines:

- Years 7 & 8	- 20 minutes per subject
- Year 9	- 20-30 minutes per subject
- Years 10 & 11	- 30 minutes per subject minimum

Please note that the above information is for guidance purposes only and individual Curriculum Areas each have their own policy for Home Learning/Homework. These set out bespoke guidance and support for students to complete home learning in different subjects.

The work is usually set on the day indicated on the timetable but is it sometimes necessary to set one or two weeks homework at a time to be completed by a specific date.

Students in Years 7 to 10 (Year 10 from September 2022) all have access to a laptop device in school and can therefore access all classwork and homework set on Synergy. Students in Year 11 will continue to be provided with a School Planner to allow them to organise and log any homework set by subjects. All students with access to a device or PC at home will be able to log into Synergy and can access any learning tasks set by their teachers. Form tutors are expected to check diaries (where appropriate) and monitor Synergy for any updates or comments from subject teachers about any students achieving positive points for excellent homework or negative points for not adequately completing homework tasks. Heads of Houses and Senior Leadership will conduct random checks from time to time.

\* All teaching staff have a responsibility to give consistent feedback regarding homework tasks.

Problems related to homework completion should be followed up immediately by the subject teacher in the first instance and then in liaison with the Curriculum Leader if necessary. The Form tutor/HOH should be informed of any problem of more than a very temporary duration so that they would be aware if a pattern emerged across subjects.

Parents who are concerned over any homework matters are advised to contact the school at the earliest opportunity.