

## **Homework in English**

All English homework is purposeful and key in supporting each pupil to consolidate and develop their knowledge. It is never set for the sake of setting homework.

Where digital homework is set, we recommend pupils with no or limited access to a device at home make use of Homework Club (LEAP, after school), or The Hex (at lunchtimes). These facilities can also be used for non-digital homework tasks if pupils wish to complete their homework at school.

## **KS3 Homework**

- Pupils must complete weekly homework via Bedrock Learning (Digital Literacy Curriculum | Bedrock Learning). Pupils are expected to achieve a minimum of 20 Points per week and this will be checked by their teacher on a weekly basis. Bedrock Learning tasks can be completed on a mobile device, therefore increasing the possibility of engagement from pupils without laptops or desktops at home.
- Pupils are strongly advised to complete additional Reading Plus lessons (<u>DreamBox Reading® Login (readingplus.com</u>)) alongside their Bedrock Learning homework.
  Whilst pupils utilise Reading Plus in lesson once per week, it is widely acknowledged that completing multiple 'combos' per week will accelerate reading proficiency, therefore we advise pupils complete additional lessons at home.
- Weekly Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar revision activities in their 'SPAG Homework' booklet to prepare for weekly SPAG quizzes in class.

## **KS4 Homework**

- Pupils must complete weekly homework assignments set via Seneca Learning (<u>Free Homework & Revision for A Level, GCSE, KS3 & KS2 (senecalearning.com)</u>). All Seneca assignments will be linked to key information related to GCSE texts, poems, and content. Revising content repeatedly throughout KS4 is essential to ensure each pupil recalls their knowledge in the leadup to their eventual GCSE examinations
- In addition to this, class teachers set homework which is appropriate for the specific needs of their classes. Such tasks might include:
  - Extended Writing
  - Quizzes
  - Creation of revision materials
  - Wider reading
  - Completion of practice exam questions

In line with the school behaviour policy, if homework is not completed to meet the teacher's expectation, or in line with the homework deadline, in the first instance, pupils will receive a warning. If this happens in the same half term, the pupil will be given a break or lunchtime detention. The intention of this is not to punish the pupil, but instead to offer support and guidance with the homework, to ensure the pupil is able to complete on time and to the appropriate standard in the future.