

**Homework Policy**

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**Introduction**

Homework is not set for all pupils as a matter of course as it is recognised that most pupils would need considerable support from a family member/carer to undertake tasks at home. Parents/carers are provided with information about the modules of work being studied in each subject over the term. This gives the opportunity for parents/carers to enrich the teaching and learning provided by the school by undertaking supportive visits or research if they judge this to be appropriate to their child. Teachers also make every effort to work closely with parents/carers in the development of self-help and independence skills and in the management of behaviour where consistency between home and school is especially important.

**Overview**

In response to parental/carer willingness to support their child in doing homework, class teachers will set homework of up to half an hour each week. Where possible, more than one night will be given to complete the homework to give families/carers some flexibility. We would not wish to put any pressure on parents/carers to ask for homework. The majority of our pupils need a lot of support to complete their work, so it does place an extra demand on the parents/carers. It is also understood that homework is not appropriate for all pupils or in all family/home situations. Families/carers should not be concerned if homework is not completed for these reasons. Pupils who are studying for GCSEs can be set revision-based homework activities to support their progress and attainment, this would be agreed ahead with parents/carers.

The following are examples of homework activities that may be set: -

- Reading and/or collecting items related to a lesson
- Worksheets
- Practice of self-help/life skills
- Symbol Activities
- Finding Information
- Maths Workbooks
- Drawing
- Colouring Sheets
- Watching specific TV programme
- Cut and paste sequencing tasks
- Tasks related to Accredited schemes (KS4 and sixth form pupils)

Parents and carers are encouraged to discuss any issues related to homework with the tutor.