

## Sixth Form Homework

Student expectations each week	Teacher expectations each week
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 hours homework per subject</li> <li>• Check VLE for set homework</li> <li>• Identify consolidation tasks</li> <li>• Identify preparatory tasks</li> <li>• Plan tasks and allocate time at start of week</li> <li>• Complete all tasks</li> <li>• Hand in high quality homework on correct day (see timetable).</li> <li>• Receive teacher feedback on marked work</li> <li>• Write a response to teacher feedback</li> <li>• Set targets to improve assessed work.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan at least 3 hours of differentiated, set homework</li> <li>• Communicate manageable homework tasks to students at start of week</li> <li>• Place homework tasks on VLE</li> <li>• Collect homework on correct day (see timetable).</li> <li>• Record +ve SIM log when homework handed in on time and –ve SIM log when not</li> <li>• Communicate homework success / problems to parents and tutor via e-mail</li> <li>• Mark set homework</li> <li>• Provide students with quantitative and qualitative feedback.</li> </ul>

### Explanatory notes for subject teachers

1. Students are expected to do 5 hours of homework per subject per week. Where a course is taught by more than one teacher, homework set should be divided appropriately between teachers.
2. Some of this homework will be 'set work' and some will be 'self-directed independent study'.
  - In Y12 *at least* 3 hours of homework will be set by the teacher for each subject each week.
  - Each student will be given a CWA grade for the homework that has just been assessed each week.
3. Each week at least 3 hours of homework per subject will be set by the teacher, this will be assessed and marks should be recorded.
  - A preparatory reading homework might be assessed by a comprehension test
  - A consolidation homework might be assessed by using a file check proforma
4. Homework tasks should be differentiated for different ability levels and deconstructed into sub-tasks.
  - Ideally each sub-task should not take longer than 30 minutes.
5. Homework tasks that extend over several weeks should have interval assessments to enable a quantitative assessment of progress.
6. All homework tasks set should be recorded in planners each week.
7. Each week homework should include the opportunity to do the following:
  - Consolidate, organise and condense class notes
  - Redo and improve upon previously assessed work

- Research new knowledge and prepare for upcoming lessons
- Rehearse skills acquired in lessons to establish mastery
- Develop independent learning skills – independent enquiry, reflection, collaboration, organisation and target setting.

8. Homework tasks should be varied in task and outcome.

9. Homework tasks should be available for download from the VLE.

### Non-completion of homework

Homework set should be manageable; extensions should only be given in exceptional circumstances and be supported by an e-mail / note from parents /carers. Each time an extension is given the students tutor and parent should be informed by e-mail.

Extensions to deadlines must be arranged more than 24 hours before the deadline unless absence on the day of the deadline prevents submission.

Deadlines should be given clearly at the time homework is set.

If a student misses a deadline without having arranged an extension, parent and tutor should be contacted and a catch up session arranged. The lack of homework must be recorded on SIMS.

Students should not expect work handed in after a deadline to be marked.

Homework submitted that is not commensurate with or shows evidence of progress towards the student's target grade should be returned to the student with feedback for improvement.

### Y12 Homework deadline days

Y12 students have reported that homework deadlines for different subjects can tend to be on the same day. To ameliorate this problem and help students organise their time, each teaching block has been allocated a specific day for collecting in homework. Please set the homework 1 week in advance.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Block A:</b> Art Sports Studies Spanish Music Psychology Government and Politics	<b>Block B:</b> Physics German French Sociology Theatre Studies History English Lit Health & Social Care	<b>Block C:</b> Chemistry Business Media Philosophy Maths (retake)	<b>Block D:</b> Maths Geography Product Design English Lit/ Lang Food Technology RE Health & Social Care	<b>Block E:</b> Biology Psychology Maths History Photography English (retake)