



HOMEWORK GUIDELINES 2016

1. Home School Diaries are issued to all pupils in September and the homework timetable will be entered in the diary with supervision and guidance from their form tutors. Please sign and return the reply slip to acknowledge that you have seen the timetable.
2. Homework details will be published on Show My Homework and parents will be given details on how to access their account. The Home School Diaries should be signed weekly by a parent/guardian and form tutor during Tutor time.
3. Pupils are expected, with your support, to organise themselves to complete the homework on time. If pupils are having problems they should consult their form tutors or subject teachers.
4. Homework in the lower school might be expected to take a pupil around up to 30-45 minutes per subject to complete. Tasks are usually differentiated to take account of the needs of very able pupils and pupils with learning difficulties.
5. In the upper school, the homework times will be appropriately longer.
6. There will be occasions when homework will be reading, researching or revising. For example, one of the English homeworks each week may be private reading. Pupils are still expected to record this in their diaries.
7. If a pupil has genuinely spent a much longer time than usual on a particular homework or series of homeworks, it would be helpful and constructive if a note to the teacher or teachers concerned could be attached to the homework or written in the diary. If a pupil has taken less time than expected on a piece of homework a note to that effect would also be appreciated.
8. In some cases, a longer-term project/assignment may replace individual weekly homeworks. This is often the case in Design and Technology subjects and GCSE preparation and research. Pupils are still expected to record this in their diaries each week during the project to show that there is an ongoing, long term task.
9. In some cases homework will be required for the following day, but generally more time than this will be allowed.
10. PSHE or Computing homework will be given as and when necessary; this is likely to take the form of research/preparation rather than formal written work.
11. Computing facilities are available throughout the school day.
12. The school library resource centre is available throughout the day to help pupils research for their homework. Pupils may also use the Curriculum Support Department at lunchtime, by prior arrangement with staff.

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN TO HEAD OF HOUSE

NAME OF STUDENT _____

We/I have noted these guidelines.

signed

parent/guardian