

Computing Faculty Homework Procedure Document

Key Stage 3

Students in Years 7 and 8 will be set one formal piece of homework ONCE per half term. Homework in Key Stage 3 usually consists of a written piece of work or a task that involves answering questions. As part of our commitment to improve literacy within the faculty we give the students set lists of spellings and key vocabulary to learn and practise at home.

Students in Year 9 will be set two formal pieces of homework TWICE per half term. This is because students in Year 9 have a third more Computing lessons over a year than students in Year 8. Year 9 students are also given spellings to learn twice every term.

Key Stage 4

Students in Years 10 and 11 will be set a formal piece of homework ONCE every 2 weeks. Homework in Key Stage 4 usually consists of tasks set around the studied syllabus. Examples of homework include examination questions, coursework tasks and research. Occasionally we give students homework which involves revision and preparation for assessments and upcoming examinations.

When homework hasn't been set, we expect students to work through their notes and revise topics and concepts. Students who do this regularly often tend to do a lot better in examinations and assessments.

Key Stage 5

Students who are studying A-level courses will receive homework once every 2 weeks. Students who study the BTEC course are expected to complete on going coursework tasks as part of their homework commitment. These expectations are clearly communicated with students at the beginning of the course.

Recording of Homework

All students will be given time in lessons to record homework in their planner. It is expected that ALL students record homework correctly, hand it in on time and complete it to the best of their ability. The class register will be taken and all students marked present will be expected to complete the homework.

Presentation of Homework

ALL homework should be completed to the best of a student's ability. If a written task has been set the student will be expected to complete it in their exercise book or folder. Tasks set on worksheets will be expected to be completed on the worksheet itself. Homework which is not presented correctly will be refused and the student will be asked to redo and resubmit. Examples of incorrectly presented homework include completion on tatty or ripped paper and homework that has been rushed or not completed how the teacher expected when it was originally set. Students should also always include their name on the piece of work.

Marking and Feedback

Homework will be marked in accordance with the school and faculty assessment policies.

Non Completion of Homework

Students who fail to complete homework without a valid reason will be put in a 15 minute faculty detention at the next available lunchtime. If the student fails to attend the detention this will be then rescheduled and treated as a last chance. Students who then fail to complete this detention will be escalated to a 30 minute faculty detention after school.

Parental Information about homework

If you have a question or concern about the homework set you should contact the Head of the Computing Faculty in the first instance.