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Homework Policy

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Specialist School in
Communication & Interaction



1. Introduction and Aims

At Alderman Knight School we work with parents and carers to support learning at home. We understand the difficulties some pupils will have completing work at home and as a result, we have developed a flexible homework approach in collaboration with parents and carers. Homework is discussed during a phone call in the first couple of weeks with the tutor team. The School recognises that homework may take many forms and may include reading, written work, observations, research and practice of other skills as appropriate.

Practices and procedures

Parents and carers in collaboration with tutors will complete a homework request form during the first couple of weeks in school via a phone call. This request form will be passed to the DHT who will compile the list of all pupils homework requests which is sent around to the whole school. Subject teachers will set the homework as requested. The tutor team and subject leaders will monitor the homework being set.

In Key Stage 2, pupils' homework is usually weekly and is designed to develop reading, spelling and comprehension skills.

In Key Stage 3, homework is based around literacy or numeracy. Weekly reading and spellings are standard for all pupils in KS3. Numeracy homework is often set through the My Maths website. Full instructions will be sent out on how to access the My Maths in the Autumn Term. Additional homework is often on a topic agreed with the pupil.

In Key Stage 4 and 5, pupils can expect homework dependent upon the exams/accreditations they are working towards. There is an expectation if pupils are taking GCSEs they will be expected to complete regular homework. We might use revision sheets, workbooks, and websites such as Bitesize in Maths, English and Science, Seneca Learning, My Maths or Purple Mash.

Alderman Knight School have purchased subscriptions to a number of on-line resources to aid the development of literacy and numeracy skills. Links to these resources are located on the Alderman Knight School website. These resources can be accessed from home and are used routinely for homework.

Logins for each of these on-line resources will be sent out in the Autumn Term. If you need logins sent home please contact your child's tutor.

Alderman Knight School holds sessions for parents and carers to come into school to find out more about how pupils are taught, how they can support at home as well as how to use homework based resources. Information on these sessions will be sent home with pupils and posted on the school website.

The role of the Subject Leader/Tutors – Monitoring homework set by class teachers

It is expected that subject leaders and tutors will check to see that the teachers are regularly setting, marking and providing feedback to pupils and parents/carers in line with the requested homework from parents/carers. The senior leadership team (SLT) will ask subject leaders at different points through the year for samples of homework from the different teachers within their departments. This type of homework scrutiny will be used as a means of ensuring that homework is of the highest standard at Alderman Knight so it continues to inform the teaching and learning of our pupils.

Role of Parents/Carers

The School views the support of parents/carers as very important to the effective use of homework. All parents will be acquainted with the School's homework policy. If you find the homework inappropriate for your child, if they lack interest, if it becomes a battleground or if you are concerned that homework is given inconsistently please talk with your child's tutor in the first instance.

Other policies that support this policy

- Curriculum
- Assessment
- Subject policies
- Marking policy

Timetable for Review	Annually	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years
Status	Statutory	Gloucestershire CC		School
Circulation	Website	Weduc	SAM	School Office

Table of Review and Modifications

Date Reviewed	Page Number of Changes	Summary of Changes Made
August 22	2	Added sentence- For literacy reading and spellings are often set.
	2	Added Sentence- There is an expectation if pupils are taking GCSEs they will be expected to complete regular homework.