

Dear Parents,

Re: Introduction of Homework for Students

I hope this letter finds you well and that your child/children have had an enjoyable first fortnight back at school. As we begin the new academic year, I wanted to inform you that all students will be receiving weekly homework as part of our commitment to their overall development and progress.

For students in Years 7-9, they will be required to complete two pieces of literacy homework per week, with a specific focus on expanding their vocabulary and their reading comprehension. To help you support your child's learning, I have enclosed a timetable detailing the homework schedule. The only exception is Modern Foreign Languages where vocabulary-based homework will be set via Memrise. Please encourage your child to diligently complete the assigned homework within the given time frame.

Additionally, we will be continuing to set Extended Learning Projects (ELPs) to provide an opportunity for students to enhance their learning beyond the classroom. Each student is expected to complete at least one ELP per half term. These projects will be linked to various subjects (schedule attached) and will contribute to the broader curriculum, also known as the Super Curriculum. It is important that the quality and quantity of work produced reflects the extended timeframe given to complete the projects. The respective faculty responsible for the ELPs will provide success criteria to guide the students in their work. We hope to share some of the best examples of this work with parents at a celebration event during the summer term.

Students in Years 10-11 will be given at least one piece of homework per subject per week. Students in Years 12-13 will be given one piece of homework per teacher per week. Unlike the younger year groups, there will not be a specific homework timetable to ensure the adaptability of the tasks to the learning in the classroom. However, sufficient time will be allocated for the completion of each homework assignment, thereby avoiding any undue burden of multiple deadlines. We believe this will foster the necessary skills of time management amongst our students.

At Queen's Park High School, we recognise that parental involvement plays a vital role in a child's educational journey. Therefore, we kindly request that you encourage your child to approach their homework with a positive attitude and make regular time for completion. Your guidance and support will greatly contribute to their academic progress.

Homework will be set primarily via the 'Assignments' tab on Synergy. Science and Maths will set homework via EduCake. Students will be shown how to access the homework via tutors but if you need further support, please don't hesitate to contact ictsupport@gphs.co.uk.

To summarise:

Years 7-9	Years 10-11	Years 12-13
2 x literacy homework per week	1 x homework per subject per week	At least 1 x homework per week per teacher
1 x Super Curriculum ELP per half term		Independent study tasks

Should you have any queries or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me directly via email <u>L.Phillips@qphs.co.uk</u> and I will be more than happy to assist you.

Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation in ensuring our students' success.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Lisa Phillips Assistant Headteacher



Homework Schedule: Year 7-9

Timetable	Week		Homework Schedule: Y		v	v	
Week	Beginning	Literacy Homework 1	Literacy Homework 2	ELP – Year 7	ELP – Year 8	ELP – Year 9	
1	18th Sept	History	Maths	-	Communications	Science	
2	25th Sept	PE	Drama	-			
1	2nd Oct	Science	Computing	Maths			
2	9th Oct	Music	Art				
1	16th Oct	WPD	Technology				
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2	30th Oct	English	Geography	-	EBacc + Social Studies	PPA	
1	6th Nov	History	Maths	_			
2	13th Nov	PE	Drama	-			
1	20th Nov	Science	Computing	VAD			
2	27th Nov	Music	Art	-			
1	4th Dec	WPD	Technology	_			
2	11th Dec	English	Geography	-			
1	18th Dec	History	Maths				
CHRISTMAS BREAK							
2	1st Jan	PE	Drama	-	Maths	EBacc + Social Studies	
1	8th Jan	Science	Computing				
2	15th Jan	Music	Art	Communications			
1	22nd Jan	WPD	Technology				
2	29th Jan	English	Geography				
1	5th Feb	History	Maths				
2	12th Feb	PE	Drama				
_	SPRING HALF TERM						
1	26th Feb	Science	Computing	EBacc + Social Studies	Science	VAD	
2	4th March	Music	Art				
1	11th March	WPD	Technology				
2	18th March	English	Geography	-			
1	25th March	History	Maths				
2	EASTER BREAK 15th April PE Drama						
1	22nd April	Science	Computing	-	VAD	Maths	
2	29th April	Music	Art				
1	6th May	WPD	Technology	PPA			
2	13th May	English	Geography	-			
1	20th May	History	Maths				
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2	3rd June	PE	Drama		PPA	Communications	
1	10th June	Science	Computing				
2	17th June	Music	Art	Science			
1	24th June	WPD	Technology				
2	1st July	English	Geography				
1	8th July	History	Maths				
2	15th July	PE	Drama				
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