

## Key Stage 4 Home Learning Information

All Home Learning is recorded on Google Classroom by the class teacher and by the student in their planner. Students are able to access this from home and parents can view the Home Learning set through their planner. Any concerns related to access or volume of Home Learning then please feel free to contact the school.



Subject type	Expected hours/volume
Core: English, Maths and Science	1.5 hour per week
All other exam classes	1 hour per week

### Subject-specific information

\*This information is to be updated by HOF

#### Maths

The Maths Department will use MathsWatch.co.uk as a platform to set and mark home learning. All students have their own unique username and password. If any student is unable to login to this website, then feel free to contact the school and ask for Mrs Clarke, our Head of Faculty for Maths. Alongside this, students will regularly be asked to complete practice papers.

#### Science

The Science Department will use a variety of means to set home learning. These range from extension and completion of classwork activities, to online self-marking assessment VLEs such as Seneca and GCSEPod. Again, if any student is unable to access any of these platforms then feel free to contact the school and ask for Mr Starr, our Head of Faculty for Science.

#### English

KS4 students will be set home learning in a combination of their class exercise books and any student resource booklets that go alongside the unit of study. Class teachers will guide students on which activities to complete.

As part of a regular focus on recall of knowledge in English, students will be set Literature-based resources online via the following VLEs:

- Seneca
- GCSE Pod
- BBC Bitesize
- Spark Notes - No Fear Shakespeare – Macbeth

Revision activities for independent learning may also include:

- Making revision cards (Plot, Themes, Characters, Context) – Macbeth, A Christmas Carol, An Inspector Calls
- Revision cards for the Poetry Anthology – Power & Conflict (Subject, Tone, Language, Structure)

#### Global Studies

At Key Stage 4, home learning is directed by the teacher and related to the needs of the GCSE course. Home learning will again consolidate and/or extend classroom learning. Key Stage 4 home learning will be closely linked

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to exam specifications and practice. Clearly the need for students to practice working independently of their teacher and peers is paramount and home learning will contribute significantly to this.

The expectation is that class teachers will set in line with the above Key Stage expectations for the school, however, this may not always be appropriate or beneficial. Some home learning tasks may be longer than others and therefore more time will be allocated for their completion.

At Key Stage 4 self-initiated revision and reflection is an essential part of the GSF home learning expectation.

### **Creative Industries: CIAs**

Again it is hard to be too rigid as all our subjects involve a great deal of coursework in the BTECs/ Vocational Courses and GCSEs.

for coursework, students will be given a deadline when all work needs to be completed and they may be mini-deadlines built within this. Students need to plan their time effectively within this period. This is to encourage time management, deadline keeping and independent learning. In exam preparation time, homework will be given at 1-2 per cycle when appropriate. This may be exam questions, consolidation learning, revision, research or stretch and challenge questions.

## Key Stage 3 Home Learning Information

All Home Learning is recorded on Google Classroom by the Class Teacher and recorded by the student in their planner. Students are able to access this from home and parents can view the Home Learning set through their planner. Any concerns related to access or volume of Home Learning then please feel free to contact the school.



### Core Subjects: English, Maths & Science

Subject Type	Expected hours/volume
Core	1 hour per week
Non-core	1 hour per two-week cycle

### Subject-specific information

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#### Maths

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#### Creative Arts & Sport (CAS)

- **Year 7 & 8:** No home learning (expectation is that all students regularly attend 1 CAS club per term).
- **Year 9:** Bridging task (extended answer question) used to assess suitability to courses/give students a taste of the subject at Key Stage 4. Mid-point check prior to final hand-in.
  - o **PE:** Set September – hand in December
  - o **Drama:** Set January – hand in April
  - o **Music:** Set May – hand in July

#### Global Studies

- The purpose of home learning in Global Studies at Key Stage 3 is to extend and deepen a student's knowledge and understanding. Home Learning is linked to the topic that students are currently studying and is designed to add context and background understanding.
- For Spanish, home learning will be set once per week. There will be a maximum of three home learning tasks per half term for Geography and History. Citizenship and RE there will be a maximum of two home learning tasks.
- Home learning tasks will be added to student books at the appropriate point to enable reflection and/or revision to take place as necessary.

#### Design and Technology

- In Creative Industries 'rotation', one Homework per cycle of 2 weeks will be given at the appropriate time in whatever subject they are studying in the rotation. It is hard to be too rigid as it will depend on the subject and where the natural point of homework falls but there will be one per 2 weeks.

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Therefore, across all the Technologies at Key Stage 3, all students will be given 2 pieces of homework per cycle (one from Art and their Technology subject). If students fail to complete sufficient work during the lessons, this will be given as additional homework to ensure completion (and as a sanction).

### **Art**

- In Art, students will be given one homework per cycle.

## Monitoring

### Staff Setting:

- Weekly breakdowns to be sent out via email by KAN
- SLT to discuss with HOF in LM and explain that it's their job to monitor
- HOF to bring homework data with them to LM Half Termly, alongside an action plan for staff not setting
- HOF to meet with their team members who are failing to set
- To be used in performance management if staff aren't setting work.
- BCD to meet with any repeat offenders if the situation continues

### Students:

- BCD to meet with HOY
- HOY to be asked to monitor and keep a record of students not completing Home Learning
- Home Learning to be brought into Centralised Detentions so that monitoring is in line with other procedures
- Home Learning Club to be held in the LRC every weeknight from 3 pm-4 pm. This will be manned by the Librarian and/or a member of the MLT (consideration of a rota)? - This as payback for Home Learning being added to centralised detentions