

## Homework

### Homework Guidance

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	Key Stage 3 (Years 7 to 9)	Key Stage 4 (Years 10-11)
English	<p>One Doodle task and one task linked to vocabulary learning each week and a Building Academic Challenge project (BACPack) to complete each term, broken down into a weekly task.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 7: 30-45 minutes</li> <li>• Year 8: 30-45 minutes</li> <li>• Year 9: 45-60 minutes</li> </ul> <p>Students are also expected to devote considerable time to personal reading for pleasure each week and parents are encouraged to help ensure students have a good supply of good quality reading material; the school's LRC and Wilmslow Library are able to assist with this.</p> <p>Some Year 7 and 8 students will participate in the Accelerated Reader programme and may be asked to complete quizzes, on the books they have read, outside lessons.</p> <p>On occasions, teachers may choose to set additional tasks to help students prepare for assessments and examination.</p>	<p>One homework per week linked to vocabulary learning and quotations from the literature set texts.</p> <p>Additional tasks such as timed essay responses may be set at teachers' discretion to support classroom learning.</p> <p>Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.</p> <p>Students are also expected to devote considerable time to personal reading for pleasure each week and parents are encouraged to help ensure students have a good supply of good quality reading material; the school's LRC and Wilmslow Library are able to assist with this.</p>
Mathematics	<p>Two homework tasks per week; each task should take 15-25 minutes.</p> <p>On occasions teachers may choose to combine the two homeworks into a single larger piece of work, but there should normally be two relatively short tasks per week.</p>	<p>Two homework tasks per week; each task should take 25-35 minutes</p> <p>On occasions teachers may choose to combine the two homeworks into a single larger piece of work, but there should normally be two relatively short tasks per week.</p>
Science	<p>Two short homework tasks per week, each taking 15-20 minutes or a single larger piece of work, taking approximately 40 minutes.</p>	<p>Three pieces of homework per week: One for each of biology chemistry and physics.</p>

		<p>For double science students this should be about 40 minutes per task and for triple/ separate science subjects this should be 60 minutes per task.</p> <p>Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.</p>
Art	One hour of homework every two weeks.	One homework task will normally be set each week which should take students 60-90 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.
GCSE Business Studies	N/A	<p>Year 10. One piece of homework per week that will take 40 – 60 minutes.</p> <p>Learning key terms once a fortnight – assessed and recorded in Progress Booklet.</p> <p>Written work is fortnightly from homework booklet.</p> <p>In addition, a challenge task is set every half term in order to consolidate learning and enhance independent learning skills. Assessed and recorded in progress booklet.</p> <p>Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for half term assessments and examinations.</p> <p>Year 11 is similar to Year 10, however challenge tasks are replaced by additional examination practice using past paper questions.</p>
BTEC Tech Award in enterprise and BTEC in Information and Creative Technology	N/A	Short research tasks will be regularly set to support the coursework that is done in class and in supported study after school. For the examined unit, students will be set learning tasks which will be assessed fortnightly. Written homework will also be set, similar to the GCSE course above in order to practise the skills needed for the examined unit
Computing	Students in Years 7 and 8 will be set one homework per week. The homework will be completed online using 'Yacapaca' (login details will be issued at the start of term). Each homework should take between 20 and 30 minutes. If students are unable to access the internet from home, they should use the school's ICT facilities to complete homework either at lunchtime or after school.	<p>Students in Year 10 will be set either one longer homework per week, which should take between 40 and 60 minutes to complete, or two shorter homeworks per week which should take between 20 and 30 minutes each.</p> <p>Students in Year 11 will not be routinely set homework, however they may occasionally be asked to complete research or other tasks to support their controlled assessment work. In addition, students in both Year 10 and 11 will be expected to attend after school study support sessions to improve controlled assessment work when necessary.</p>
Dance	This is a practical course and therefore no homework is routinely set. Students may be asked to source music or rehearse their dance performances in preparation for lessons.	One homework set each week to aid progression with coursework. These tasks include: Rehearsal Log, Fitness Diary, Practitioner Research,

		Evaluation and Analysis essays. Students are also required to rehearse and prepare choreography outside of lesson time.
Design & Technology	One homework task will normally be set each week  This should take students 20-30 minutes.	One task per week, expected to take 40-60 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.
Drama	Homework is set at least once every three weeks (once every three lessons). Tasks will be research based, or centred round the development of work for a subsequent lesson.	One task per week, expected to take 40-60 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.
Geography	Each unit of work will include a 3-4 week extended homework project. The students will record this in their planners so that parents can see what they have got to do over that period of time. For the remaining weeks of the unit teachers will set a 30-45 minute homework once a week on the night that is designated in the school homework timetable.	One homework task will normally be set each week which should take students 60-90 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.
History	One homework task will normally be set each week  This should take students 20-30 minutes	One homework task will normally be set each week which should take students 40-60 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.
Media Studies	Not studied at Key Stage 3	One homework task per week. Usually this will consist of preparation work for coursework, i.e. creating mock-ups/ storyboards, taking photographs/ filming for practical pieces and analysing existing media texts.
Modern foreign languages (MFL)	Years 7, 8 and 9 are assessed weekly on their vocabulary and grammar knowledge. Homework is set to practise these or to prepare for short tests through independent revision. We recommended students revise daily for 15-20 minutes.	For Years 10 and 11 we recommend that students revise 20-30 minutes every day for their vocabulary tests. Additionally, students will be set one further task per week on either reading, listening, speaking or writing, which should take no longer than 30 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation of speaking questions and for examinations.
Music	Music lessons at Key Stage 3 are predominantly practical. Homework may be set occasionally.	One task per week, expected to take 40-60 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.
PE	Homework is not routinely set in core PE lessons but students will occasionally be asked to undertake research to prepare for a subsequent lesson.	For GCSE PE one task will be set per week, expected to take 40-60 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.
Sociology/RS	Year 7: Students should spend 30-45 minutes completing each homework task, which will be set twice every 4 weeks.  Year 8: Students should spend 30-45 minutes completing each homework task, which will be set twice every 4 weeks.  Year 9: Students should spend 30-45 minutes completing each homework task, which will be set at least twice every 4 weeks.	One task per week, expected to take 40-60 minutes. Additional time will need to be devoted to preparation for assessments and examinations.

