



Guide to Homework

At Gordano School we value the importance of regular homework to support students' studies, consolidate learning and prepare them for the next steps in their learning.

We recognise and reward students who complete homework and support where students do not submit homework despite reminders.

We also recognise that there can be significant barriers to the completion of homework and staff will scaffold (put in steps to support) work as appropriate.

In years 7, 8 and 9 homework is set in the following subjects: English; Maths; Science; Modern Foreign Languages; Humanities. Each homework task should take a maximum of 30 minutes.

In years 10, 11, 12 and 13, homework is set in all subjects (excepting core PE)

Year 7-9 students:

- Homework for the fortnight is set on Class Charts, on the same day by 4pm, for each year group
- It is due between no less than 5 and no more than 14 days later, across all subjects.

Maths homework will be set weekly, on the same day, in support of the Sparx program we use, which relies on weekly completion.

1Mon	1Tues	1Weds	1Thurs	1Fri
	Y7 set and final deadline for completion a fortnight later		Y8 set and final deadline for completion a fortnight later	
2Mon	2Tues	2Weds	2Thurs	2Fri
	Y9 set and final deadline for completion a fortnight later			

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Year 10, Year 11, 12 and 13 students: homework is set across the fortnight (weekly or fortnightly to suit the member of staff), on ClassCharts, with a deadline for completion of 7 days or more. Students should only be set revision tasks that support their exam preparation in the three weeks leading up to and during mocks (except in instances where they are completing Non-Exam Assessed components of their courses).

- A compulsory 'intervention' for years 7-11 for two or more missed pieces of homework will run weekly for each year group, for one hour
- An A1 (-1 behaviour point) will be issued to students in Year 10 and 11 who do not complete a piece of homework
- Year 12 and 13 students will be booked in to subject support for missed homework, before being upscaled to KS5 intervention.

Years 7, 8 and 9	Every Wednesday - 3.15pm-4.15pm, L8
Years 10 and 11	Every Friday - 2.35pm-3.35pm, LB2 - Upper Library
Years 12 and 13	Every Friday - 2.35pm-3.35pm Learning Curve

- Homework merits will be given to all students who complete a piece of homework, handed in on time, on ClassCharts. These will be tracked, with certificates given to students at regular intervals to reward and encourage completion

Homework should only ever take **three forms in Years 7-11**

Practice	Revise	Read
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple or exam questions that practice content covered in class • Educake, Hegarty etc • Pre-learning of new terms or vocab for a new topic • A piece of work that practices a technique they have learnt in a lesson • At KS4 and KS5 this should be a substantial part of home learning set. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise content from a knowledge organiser by making flashcards or a mind-map etc • Complete an online, self-marking quiz • Learning key spellings or vocab • Discussion with adults 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading for pleasure To encourage the setting of good reading habits • Reading for discovery: Directly linked to coming lessons and preferably encouraging students to be evaluative or critical • Reading for consolidation: High level reading that supports in class learning • At KS4 and KS5 it is expected that students will have some direction about where to find appropriate reading.
<p>Years 10-13 should not be expected to complete tasks related to end of topic tests or carry out any end of topic tests for two weeks ahead of and during mocks.</p>		

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