

# **Homework Policy**

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All pupils have formal homework in every subject each week. This is entered into pupils' homework diaries which should be inspected by parents at least once a week. Parents are asked to countersign entries and can add observations as appropriate. Form Tutors will check diaries weekly and the whole process is monitored by Senior Staff.

The nature, quantity and duration of homework can vary depending upon the age and ability of the pupil. Whilst a child in Year 7 should expect up to one hour's homework per evening on average, this could range from completion of class work, research, collection of data or materials for a project or the reading of work and preparation for formal tests. The organisation of homework is in itself an invaluable learning and self-discipline process.

By the time a student reaches Year 11 the pressure of external examinations will considerably increase the time commitment needed. The skills and routines established in earlier years will enable this greater workload to be undertaken with confidence.