*How will homework be organised?*

Students will be set homework according to the homework policy. They are expected to print the homework before the lesson in which it is due.

*How will your child be assessed?*

Students will be assessed through a range of practical and theoretical assessments

*How can you help your child?*

* You can ensure that you are aware of any social media that your child may be using and monitor their privacy settings.
* Check your child's planner to ensure that they complete homework to a good standard
* Ask your child to explain to you what they have been learning in computing so that they are having the opportunity to talk about it beyond the classroom

*What will your child be learning?*

* Using Computers Safely and Responsibly
* Cyber Security
* Introduction to Networks
* Programming (sequence, selection, Iteration)
* Algorithm Design

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - COMPUTING**

*How will homework be organised?*

Homework will be a mix of project based work, reading tasks and individual written tasks

*How will your child be assessed?*

Summative assessment will be as follows:

* Term 1 Creative Writing
* Term 2 Reading Assessment (Analysis of a Dickens’ text)
* Term 3 Group presentations of project
* Term 4 Modern novel analysis
* Term 5 Comparison of two poems
* Term 6 Shakespeare extract question

*How can you help your child?*

* READ!
* Encourage your child to read with you or to you
* Encourage a wide range of quality fiction reading
* Discuss texts being studied at school

*What will your child be learning?*

* Creative writing - the writer’s craft; progression project
* Literary Heritage - analysis of 19th century Literature
* Speaking and listening presentations - The Chocolate Project
* Contemporary Literature - study of a modern novel; analysis linked to GCSE skills
* Poetry - introduction to studying and comparing poems
* Shakespeare - studying a Shakespeare play

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - ENGLISH**

*How will homework be organised?*

Doddle and one piece of research / script writing / set or prop planning per module

*How will your child be assessed?*

An assessment at the end of each module through Doddle and Peer/Teacher assessment sheets

*How can you help your child?*

Encourage them to go and see live theatre performances

*What will your child be learning?*

* Introduction to Drama and Theatre
* Pantomime as a genre
* Exploration of A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens
* Science Fiction - Devising
* Private Peaceful / Shakespeare - studying a  play

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - DRAMA**

*How will homework be organised?*

Students will be set Homework that will vary in type. Learning vocabulary. Completing activities on ActiveLearn. Written pieces based on lesson content.

This will be set once every 2 weeks.

*How will your child be assessed?*

5 key assessments throughout the year.

*How can you help your child?*

Encourage student use of Active Learn at home as a revision tool

Use of Memrise as another online programme designed to learn vocabulary

French dictionary - or use wordreference.com at home

*What will your child be learning?*

Introduction to French, Personal details, School, Free-time, Town and Local Area, Holidays.

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - FRENCH**

*How will homework be organised?*

Students will be set homework once every two weeks.

*How will your child be assessed?*

* Baseline assessment (Term 1)
* Four main written assessments (Terms 2, 3, 4 and 5)
* KS3 exam (term 6)

*How can you help your child?*

* Keep your child up to date with current affairs and geographical events that occur in day to day life.
* Practice using map skills.
* Take your child to places of interest e.g. Wookey Hole caves or National Trust properties.
* http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zrw76sg
* www.earthweek.com

*What will your child be learning?*

* Map Skills and Settlements
* World of Work
* Water – the great Provider

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - GEOGRAPHY**

*How can you help your child?*

* Keep your child up to date with current affairs and historical items in the news.
* Discuss with your child the work that they are doing in History
* Encourage your child to read historical novels and watch TV documentaries on the topics covered.
* Take your child to historical places of interest, e.g. Castles and Cathedrals.

*How will homework be organised?*

Students will be set HW once every two weeks.

*How will your child be assessed?*

* Five main written assessments (Terms 1-5)
* KS3 Exam (Term 6)

*What will your child be learning?*

* Historical Skills
* The Battle of Hastings
* Norman England
* The Black Death
* Medieval Monarchs
* The Medieval Church
* Local Study: Glastonbury Abbey

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - HISTORY**

*How will homework be organised?*

Homework will be set every week. Homework should alternate on a weekly basis between a written piece and an online task on the Mymaths website.

*How will your child be assessed?*

At the end of every half term there will be a short (60 minute) test. Feedback is generated from these tests.

*How can you help your child?*

Ensure that your child is working through the feedback emails, these feedback emails are sent every half term following an assessment. They are to be completed in addition to the weekly homeworks.

If you need to support your child with their homework you can use the following websites:

(1) Corbett maths - which has lots of useful videos.

(2) Mymaths

*What will your child be learning?*

Term 1: Numeracy; accurate drawing; and angles.

Term 2: Fractions; transformations; and units, area and volume.

Term 3: Accurate drawing; and equations and expressions.

Term 4: Sequences and functions; interpreting data.

Term 5: Presenting data; pythagoras; and ratio.

Term 6: Percentages; probability; and graphs

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - MATHS**

*How will homework be organised?*

*How will your child be assessed?*

*How can you help your child?*

*What will your child be learning?*

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - MUSIC**

*How will homework be organised?*

* There will be three distinct homework tasks most terms
* A presentation for term 4

*How will your child be assessed?*

* Key word spelling and definitions tests
* End of term assessments ranging from essays to presentations, from quizzes to art projects

*How can you help your child?*

* Ask about homework and assist with learning new key words
* Have philosophical discussions; encourage them to ask ‘why?’ And ‘Think Big’!
* Discuss current affairs
* Encourage them to read relevant books (ask for suggestions)
* Watch relevant films and tv shows together

*What will your child be learning?*

* What is PB?
* What are life’s Ultimate Questions?
* Who was Jesus?
* What makes someone inspirational?
* What do Muslims believe?
* Does or planet need saving?

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM – PHILOSOPHY AND BELIEFS**

*How will homework be organised?*

Extra-curricular sports clubs

*How will your child be assessed?*

End of Sport Assessments

*How can you help your child?*

* Extra-curricular clubs
* Join a local club
* Encouraging a healthy, active lifestyle

*What will your child be learning?*

Badminton, Rugby, Handball, Football, Fitness, Table Tennis, Cricket, Athletics, Tennis and Dodgeball.

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM – PHYSICAL EDUCATION (BOYS)**

*How will homework be organised?*

Extra-curricular sports clubs

*How will your child be assessed?*

End of Sport Assessments

*How can you help your child?*

* Extra-curricular clubs
* Join a local club
* Encouraging a healthy, active lifestyle

*What will your child be learning?*

Badminton , Hockey, Basketball, Football, Netball, Rugby, Dance, Gymnastics, Fitness, Rounders, Athletics

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM – PHYSICAL EDUCATION (GIRLS)**

*How will homework be organised?*

Homework will be set twice on a fortnightly basis. This may be online tests, worksheets, extended writing tasks or research based.

*How will your child be assessed?*

There will be an end of term test on three occasions throughout the year.

During each topic, all pupils will complete a extended writing assignment.

Pupils progress through each topic will be continually assessed via a online checking system to give an indication of strengths and weaknesses within their knowledge.

*How can you help your child?*

* Encourage discussions about any relevant science news stories.
* Encourage them to take an interest in the wider world and to ask why?
* Discuss the importance of science and its influence on their daily lives.

*What will your child be learning?*

The following topics are covered;

Atoms, Elements and Compounds, Body Systems, Cells, Forces, Particles, Pure and Impure substances, Reproduction and Space

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM - SCIENCE**

*How will homework be organised?*

* Students will cook once a fortnight and will be required to bring in ingredients.
* Students will be set homework once every four weeks.

*How will your child be assessed?*

* 2 main assessments (individual and group tasks) and 1 end of unit test

*How can you help your child?*

* Ensuring students bring in ingredients for practical lesson
* Encourage your child to cook at home

*What will your child be learning?*

* Health and safety in the kitchen
* The Eatwell Guide
* Healthy eating and nutrition
* Learning the basics - practical skills and techniques

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM – TECHNOLOGY (FOOD)**

*How will homework be organised?*

* Students will been given homework once a fortnight
* This could include research on the internet, drawing skills or developing an idea
* They should spend at least thirty minutes per homework

*How will your child be assessed?*

* Continual assessment of sketch book
* End of units final piece is assessed (2 assessed tasks)

*How can you help your child?*

* Encourage your child to complete high quality homework
* Encourage your child to attend art club at lunchtime or after school homework club if they need more support
* Provide them with a range of drawing pencils and coloured pencils

*What will your child be learning?*

* Basic drawing skills using a range of techniques and media
* Fauvism- colour theory and mark making
* Day of the Dead- pattern and culture ( links with Drama and RS)

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM – TECHNOLOGY (ART)**

*How will homework be organised?*

Students will be set homework once every four weeks.

*How will your child be assessed?*

2 main assessments (written and practical) and 1 end of unit test

*How can you help your child?*

* Encourage your child to complete high quality homework
* Encourage your child to after school homework club if they need more support
* Encourage your child to attend lunchtime skills club to practise key practical skills
* Provide them with a range of drawing pencils and coloured pencils

*What will your child be learning?*

Students will be making a tie & dye bag. The theme will be ‘Under the sea’.

* Health and safety
* The design process
* Tie & dye
* Applique
* Sewing machine driving test
* Hand and machine stitching

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM – TECHNOLOGY (TEXTILES)**

*How will homework be organised?*

* Students will research materials, processes, technologies and designers
* Students will be set homework once every four weeks.

*How will your child be assessed?*

2 main assessments (1 essay style research and 1 investigation) and 1 end of unit test.

*How can you help your child?*

Encourage your child to explore the function and uses of materials and tools of everyday items around the home.

*What will your child be learning?*

* Health and safety in the workshop
* Characteristics of wood and manufactured boards
* Hardwoods and softwoods
* Basic joints and their uses
* Tools, equipment and their uses
* Learning the basics - practical skills and techniques

**YEAR 7 CURRICULUM – TECHNOLOGY (RESISTANT MATERIALS)**