



# Wykham Park Academy Banbury

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Miss Sylvia Thomas – Principal of Banbury Aspirations Campus

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Dear parent/carer,

I am writing to outline the expectations regarding homework so that you are clear what will be expected of your child and can support where needed. We do have high expectations regarding homework but it is important students are clear on what is expected and have the support needed to be successful.

I have outlined the details below and also the homework policy so you can look at the fine detail for your child's year group. You will also receive an email this half term regarding Google Guardians, a feature that enables you to receive weekly updates of the homework set and completed. Parents of Year 10-13 students will receive an invite to this feature first as they are being set homework from week 1. Year 7-9 parent/carers will receive this invite later this half term. All homework is set on Google Classroom and will need to be submitted this way. If any parent or carer is concerned about this and their access to IT, please do let your child's college know about this.

## Homework Year 7 and 8

From the start of term in September, all year 7 and 8 students will be set a weekly Maths task in the first instance, but no other homework will be set until week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> October. This is to ensure students transition back to school runs smoothly and they are supported to work in a new way at school, before introducing additional expectations.

From 5<sup>th</sup> October, Year 7 and 8 students will also receive a weekly reading and comprehension task, Languages vocabulary to learn and they will be set projects in English, Science, Art, History and Geography. However, these projects will not be due in until later in the term and departments will set staggered deadlines for the submission of these from the end of October to the beginning of December. However, it's important students form good habits in working on these projects across the weeks from the beginning of October in order to manage their time effectively and avoid feeling overwhelmed by leaving tasks to the last minute.

## Homework Years 9, 10 and 11

Years 10 and 11 will receive their weekly homework from each subject from the beginning of September.

Year 9 will start receiving their weekly homework from 5<sup>th</sup> October but will be set a weekly Maths task from the beginning of September and will be set up to access Hegarty Maths from home.

All Year 9, 10 and 11 homework will be set on Google Classroom and students will need to submit on the classroom. There will be sanctions in place for students who do not complete work. We will be putting



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measures in place for Year 10 and 11 to begin with, as other year groups will not be starting their homework programme until 5<sup>th</sup> October. Maths will deal with any issues regarding maths homework and contact you directly.

There will be Year 11 detention on a Monday till 4pm for any students who missed two homework tasks or more the previous week. This will also be the case for Year 10 but their detention will be on a Friday. Persistent issues with homework will result in college report and meeting with parents.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's homework, please contact your child's mentor in the first instance. This is particularly important if you feel they need additional support or there may be issues with Google Classroom.

Many thanks for your support with this.

Yours Sincerely,

C.Berry

Assistant Principal