



Banbury Aspirations Campus HOMEWORK POLICY



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Banbury Campus Homework Policy- 2020-2021

Our homework policy has been devised to ensure students develop the key skills necessary for success at school and beyond. There is a key focus on literacy and numeracy skills, to ensure students are supported to be successful in all their subjects. All homework will be set on Google Classroom and submitted on the classroom. Any students who do not have access outside of school, should make themselves known to their year team and paper homework will be provided for those students.

Year 7 and 8- Details of Homework

Year 7 and 8 homework comprises of **four** tasks, totalling approx. 1 hour each evening- Monday to Thursday. The breakdown of these tasks is shown in Table 1. Students will need to plan their time effectively as they will work on tasks across the week and across the term.

Table 1

| Year | Approx time every evening | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
|------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 7 | 20 mins | Weekly reading task and questions | Weekly reading task and questions | Weekly reading task and questions | Weekly reading task and questions |
| | 20 mins | Subject Creative Projects | Subject Creative Projects | Subject Creative Projects | Subject Creative Projects |
| | 10 mins | Maths x2 Hegarty tasks to be completed across the week | | | |
| | 10 mins | Languages vocabulary homework- to be completed across the week | | | |

| Year | Approx time every evening | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
|------|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 8 | 20 mins | Weekly reading task and questions | Weekly reading task and questions | Weekly reading task and questions | Weekly reading task and questions |
| | 20 mins | Subject Creative Projects | Subject Creative Projects | Subject Creative Projects | Subject Creative Projects |
| | 10 mins | Maths x2 Hegarty tasks to be completed across the week | | | |
| | 10 mins | Languages vocabulary homework- to be completed across the week | | | |

Task 1: Developing Reading Skills

All Year 7 and 8 students will complete 20 mins of reading and comprehension every evening Monday- Thursday from their allocated story/non-fiction text for that week. They will need to complete a set of questions in their reading workbook, and this will be checked and reviewed in Friday mentor time. There will be a same day lunchtime detention, set by mentors, if the weekly questions are not completed to a good standard. Students will need to complete or re-draft answers in the detention and in readiness to begin the new text the following week.

Task 2: Creative Projects

For Year 7 and 8 students, there will also be termly creative projects set by the following departments: Art, English, History, Geography and Science. All details of which will be sent out at the beginning of term to students and parents directly from each department. These tasks will also be on the school website. Students need to plan their time and ensure they spend at least 20 mins on this every evening. It's important that they plan their time as they should be completing on average one project a fortnight over the term, e.g. September to December. There will be staggered deadlines for these projects and departments will outline those on the task sheet given to students. The projects will involve developing a range of skills and developing students' knowledge in those subject areas.

Task 3: Hegarty Maths Tasks

Year 7 and 8 students are assigned two online Hegarty tasks per week by their Maths teacher. The tasks are set on a Monday and are due in a week later on the same day. Each task involves watching a video whilst making notes; as well as completing a quiz, simultaneously doing necessary working out in a home-learning Maths book. A copy (photograph) of all written work is 'handed in' via the Google Classroom on or before the deadline. If students do not meet home-learning expectations, they will be required to attend a Maths detention after school on a Friday (or by arrangement, during break-times).

Year 9, 10 and 11 Homework Details

Years 9, 10 and 11 will be set two main tasks across the week- Hegarty Maths tasks and subject homework. There will be denoted days when English, Maths and Science will be set in order to help students plan their time. Each subject task should take no longer than 20 minutes.

Students will then need to complete their homework timetable with option subject teachers so they know when option subject homework will be set each week.

Please note that Year 9 and 10 also have an additional reading homework, where they will be required to read an extract and answer some comprehension style questions in readiness for Friday mentor time each week. This is a task led by and managed by mentors and colleges, not subject areas. This task is set on a Friday and due on a Friday.

| Year | Groups | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|------|----------------|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 9 | (E Population) | Maths Option Subjects | Science Option subjects | English Option subjects | Option subjects | Option subjects |
| | (F population) | Maths | Science Option subjects | English Option subjects | Option subjects | Option subjects |
| | (FIB year 9) | Maths Option subjects | Science Option subjects | English Option subjects | Option subjects | Option subjects |
| | | 2 x Maths Hegarty Tasks (1 hour) OR 1 x Maths Hegarty Task + 1 mini-assignment (1 hour) | | | | |

| Year | Time- 20 mins approx. on each task | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|------|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 10 | WP | Maths Option subjects | English Option subjects | Science | Option subjects | Option subjects |
| | FIB | English Option subjects | Maths Physics | Chemistry Option Subjects | Biology Option subjects | Option subjects |
| | | 1 x Maths Hegarty Task + 1 mini-assignment (1 hour) OR 1 x Maths exam-preparation assignment (1 hour) | | | | |

| Year | Time-20 mins approx. on each task | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|------|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 11 | WP | Maths Option Subject | English | Option Subjects | Science Option subjects | Option subjects |
| | FIB | Maths Biology | Option subjects | English Chemistry | Physics Option Subjects | Option Subjects |
| | | 1 x Maths Hegarty Task + 1 mini-assignment (1 hour) OR 1 x Maths exam-preparation assignment (1 hour) | | | | |

Task 1: Subject Homework

Students will be set one piece of subject homework a week in the subjects outlined above. Tasks will be set on a specific day each week, depending on when subjects are taught and due in on the same day the following week. The subject homework tasks will be a mixture of contextual research, knowledge quizzing, planning and other tasks related to revision and developing knowledge. There will be no lengthy extended writing tasks for homework. All homework tasks will be uploaded on Google Classroom for students and parents will be notified through email of homework tasks and students' completion/non completion. Students must hand in homework via Google Classroom, either as a Google document or as a photo attachment.

Details of homework tasks will also be available on the school websites and updated termly.

If subject homework is not of a good quality or incomplete, parents will be informed and students will complete the work in a lunchtime detention within subject areas. If students do not attend and complete homework, they will be given a whole school detention of an hour after school the following Monday. Students will also be given a Monday after school detention if they regularly miss homework deadlines and do not complete homework set. For Year 9, this is x3 'incomplete homework' in a week. For Years 10 and 11, this is x2 'incomplete homework' in a week.

Task 2: Hegarty Maths Tasks + Assignments

Year 9 – 11 students are assigned a combination of online Hegarty tasks and assignments each week by their Maths teacher. The tasks are set on a Monday and are due in a week later on the same day. A Hegarty task involves watching a video whilst making notes; as well as completing a quiz, simultaneously doing necessary working on paper. Assignments are loaded on the Google Classroom. A copy (photograph) of all written work should be 'handed in' via the Google Classroom on or before the deadline. If students do not meet home-learning expectations, they will be required to attend a detention after school on a Friday in the Maths department, (or by arrangement, during break-times).

Task 3 (Year 9 and 10)

Reading homework set by mentors every Friday and due every Friday. Students need to read one extract each week and answer comprehension style questions. The answers will be discussed and evaluated in Friday mentor times. Students in Year 9 and 10 need to manage their time in terms of when they do this task across the week so it is ready for a Friday mentor time.

Year 12 and 13

Students will complete an hour of private study for every hour they are in the classroom.

This will consist of exam questions, research, note-making, general revision and coursework.