

Mission Statement

“Homework: The appliance of science!”

Homework

The Science department follows the school homework policy. The Department sets regular homework for all students in years 7 to 11. Pupils are expected to take responsibility for their own learning in order to develop their independence. However, parental co-operation is valued.

Homework tasks will be varied and engaging, covering a range of subject content and skills development. Activities are related to work being carried out in sessions in order to move learning forward and allow learners to reach their full potential.

Homework will be set for each student on the day stated in the published homework timetable unless there are special circumstances.

	Tasks – min 30 minutes per week	How will it be marked?
Year 7 & 8	• Key words and terms activity per topic	Self
	• 1 creative piece of writing per half term	Teacher
	• 1 piece of independent research per half term	Checked by teacher
	• 1 thinking skills activity per half term	Peer
	• 1 piece of extension work	Teacher
	• 1 content based level assessed task	Peer

	Tasks – min 30 minutes per week	How will it be marked?
Year 9	• 1 SAT question per topic	Self
	• 1 ‘How science Works’ activity per topic	Peer
	• Key words and terms activity per topic	Self
	• 1 creative piece of writing per half term	teacher
	• 1 piece of independent research per half term	Checked by teacher
	• 1 thinking skills activity per half term	Peer
	• 1 skills based level assessed task	Peer

	Tasks – min 1 hour per week plus 1 hour per option	How will it be marked?
Year 10	• 1 ISA preparation activity per module	Self
	• 1 independent research task per month	
	• 1 piece of extension work per topic	Checked by teacher
	• 1 piece of revision material per topic	Peer
	• 1 set of revision questions per module	

	Tasks – min 1 hour per week	How will it be marked?
Year 11	• 1 ISA preparation activity per module	Self
	• 1 independent research task per month	
	• 1 piece of extension work per topic	Checked by teacher
	• 1 piece of revision material per topic	Peer
	• 1 set of revision questions per module	

	Tasks - min 2 hours per week	How will it be marked?
Year 11 Triple Award	• 1 written GCSE question per week	Self
	• 1 ISA preparation activity per module	
	• 1 independent research task per month	Checked by teacher
	• 1 piece of extension work per topic	Peer
	• 1 piece of revision material per topic	Peer

Extension Activities

In addition to homework set there are a number of extension activities that can be undertaken by students to improve their understanding and problem solving skills.

These could include:

- Revising using Bitesize revision (logged onto via the bbc.co.uk website)
- Practising for exams using SAM learning
- Visiting the Magna Science centre in Sheffield
- Attempting questions set on the MENSA kids (or adults!) website