



THE BRUNTS ACADEMY

Homework Policy

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1. Principals of homework

At Brunts Academy we believe that homework is an integral part of education. It:

- promotes students' self-discipline and personal responsibility for learning and organisation.
- reinforces work started in class, extending knowledge and understanding.
- gives opportunities to practise and develop skills.
- is valuable in ensuring students' progress and raising achievement.
- allows parents and carers to become involved in their child's learning.

2. Types of homework tasks

Homework tasks will be manageable, meaningful and set for a purpose.

Tasks may include;

- Written assignments
- Learning assignments. e.g. learn a piece of work, practice a skill, recall knowledge
- Preparing an oral presentation.
- Reading in preparation for a future lesson.
- Finding out information/researching a project.
- Using a specific website. (e.g. mathswatch, Century AI, Seneca)
- Revision activities in preparation for examinations.
- Reading for pleasure.
- Subject projects

3. Homework schedule and time allocation

The academy does not have a fixed homework timetable with time allocated for different subjects on different evenings. Students will need to manage their time so that they do some homework each evening. Each faculty will set meaningful homework when appropriate for their subject. Students should record the homework task in their planner along with the date it is due to be completed by. The amount of time spent on each homework task is flexible, but within the following guidelines (as set by government):

KS3 & KS4		
	Per Subject	Per Evening
Y7, Y8	15-30 mins	45 mins – 1.5 hours
Y9, Y10, Y11	40-45 mins	1.5 hour – 2 hours
KS5		
Y12 & Y13 should receive 5 hours of independent study per week.		



At KS3 core subjects (English, Maths & Science) will set homework at least once per fortnight. All other subjects will set either one extended project task to be completed over the duration of a half term or a minimum of two tasks per half term, all linked to the curriculum. At KS4 all subjects will set homework at least once per fortnight and at KS5 all subjects will set homework each week.

Subject	KS3	KS4	KS5
Maths	Every 2 weeks	Min once every 2 weeks	Students in KS5 should have 5 hours of independent study each week for every subject they study.
English	Every 2 weeks	Min once every 2 weeks	
Science	Every 2 weeks	Every week	
MFL	Every 2 weeks	Every week	
Humanities	Twice per half term	Min once every 2 weeks	
The Arts	Art – one project per term Drama – twice per half term Music – twice per half term Dance – twice per half term	Every week	
Technology & Digital	Twice per half term	Every week	
PE	Twice per half term	Every week (not core)	

4. Recording of homework

All homework will be recorded on classcharts and wherever possible the task will be uploaded along with any additional supporting materials to help both students and parents/carers to understand what is expected. Once homework has been completed, it must be recorded in class charts. For work that has been completed to a good standard, students will also be rewarded in class charts.

5. Homework and feedback

Schemes of work will specify how homework will be assessed, and the criteria must be shared with students. Student may self or peer assess their homework. Where appropriate teachers will share examination mark schemes to help familiarise students with success criteria.