

Homework Policy

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Introduction

Homework at Trinity Academy is regularly set and checked to allow students to learn, memorise, revise or practise the important knowledge, skills and understanding taught in school. This policy outlines the expectations for the setting and checking of homework.

Principles

Homework should:

- Be set weekly and clearly defined. The instructions should be clear enough to allow students to complete homework independently. For Year 7 and Year 8, homework will be set from the centralised homework booklet.
- Link to the curriculum and prepare for or build on the learning of students in the classroom. If the homework covers material that hasn't been introduced in a lesson, a teacher must make sure that students are able to access enough of the content and concepts for it to make sense.
- Be completed to a high standard and form the basis of in-class knowledge quizzes.

Setting, Checking and Recording of Homework

Homework is set once per week. For Y7 and Y8, homework is set centrally through the homework booklet. One person from each department will post homework reminders through ClassCharts and students will complete self-quizzing tasks. The exceptions are for PE, Art, Music, Technology and Dance, where homework is not expected to be set. In Phase One, each piece of homework should take around 15 minutes to complete. Students will never be expected to complete more than one hour of homework per evening.

In Phase Two, homework should take no more than 45 minutes to complete (often slightly less). In Phase Three, homework should take up to an hour to complete. At each phase, more time will be spent completing Maths and English homework than other subjects.

All homework must be recorded by staff onto the school VLE. On the due date, the teacher should check that each student has completed homework to a suitable standard. Some subjects mark homework as part of their marking policy. Most use Do Now quizzes to check knowledge from the homework. Any student who fails to hand in homework on time, or hands in homework of a poor standard, must be awarded a C2 Homework, in line with the school's Behaviour Policy. A space for completing homework will also be provided by the school as part of the co-curricular programme.

Types of Homework Tasks

The following types of task are set at Trinity:

- Revision of key vocabulary using Look, Cover, Write, Check
- Independent reading and completion of reading log (English)
- Sparx Maths
- Comprehension tasks
- Gathering materials for practical subjects

Policies linked to the Homework Policy

- Teaching and Learning Policy
- Curriculum Policy Assessment Policy
- Behaviour Management Policy