



IMBERHORNE SCHOOL

Policy Document



The Cornerstones of our
Learning Community

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Homework

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All students will be required to complete homework, as homework plays an essential role in:

- Consolidating, supporting and extending classroom-based learning.
- Encouraging independent learning and research including study skills.
- Fostering a deep interest in learning.
- Improving personal organisation.
- Developing the partnerships between home and school.

General Guiding Principles

- Homework tasks should be set to enhance learning and should be clearly explained to students.
- Homework tasks should vary in nature and not all homework tasks need to be written work.
- A Homework club will be available for students who need support and/or I.T. access.
- Parents can access homework that has been set using Edulink One. Any concerns should be raised with the class teacher, in the first instance.
- Any further concerns should be directed to the Subject Leader, Form Tutor, or Head of Year.
- Where possible, deadlines for homework should be set that allow students several days for completion, not for the following day.
- Teachers will acknowledge homework through marking and/or praise.

In Practice at Key Stage 3

- Students may be set weekly tasks in English, Mathematics, Science and Modern Foreign Languages.
- In all other subjects, homework is set at appropriate times when it is meaningful to do so.
- In Year 7, tasks should take approximately 20 minutes per subject.
- In Year 8 and 9, tasks should take approximately 30 minutes per subject.
- Some assignments will be designed to span a number of weeks and students are advised to plan their time to avoid leaving several weeks' work to the last few days.

In Practice at Key Stage 4

- Students may be set weekly tasks in each of their subjects.
- The length of time required to complete tasks may vary from subject to subject and upon the demands of the course but will not normally require more than 45 minutes each week.
- As an alternative to homework, some subjects may ask students to stay after school, for example rehearsals or to complete projects.
- Some assignments will be designed to span a number of weeks.

In Practice in Key Stage 5

- Students may be expected to complete up to 4 hours of independent study per subject per week.
- Students may also be expected to do independent study and reading with guidance from subject staff.
- Students should have at least a seven-day deadline for significant tasks