



FORMBY HIGH SCHOOL



PARENTS'
GUIDE TO
**HIGH SCHOOL
HOMEWORK**

At Formby High School we are committed to developing learners' confidence and resilience so they are able to work independently and take responsibility for their own learning. Learning that takes place outside the classroom should provide students with the opportunity to develop their knowledge, skills and understanding. It should consolidate and extend work covered in the classroom or prepare students for new experiences. This document aims to clarify the main features around homework at Formby High School, offering advice and guidance to parents. Full details of our expectations can be explored in our [Homework and Independent Learning Policy](#), which is found on our website.

IMPORTANCE OF HOMEWORK

Establishing good habits and a positive attitude towards homework can have a significant effect on a student's development across the school. We firmly believe in the following important benefits:

- Students develop a thirst for knowledge
- Students develop independence and responsibility
- Students learn to be resilient
- Students are keen to take on a challenge
- Students can experience success
- Students can take responsibility for their improvement
- Students can demonstrate integrity
- Students show an increased confidence to problem solve

FREQUENCY OF HOMEWORK

Year 7 students will receive one piece of meaningful, quality homework for every six lessons for each subject. In doing so, this will ensure that homework is distributed fairly according to the amount of curriculum time devoted to each subject. Students will be expected to spend between 45 minutes to one hour completing a piece of homework.

English	Fortnightly	RAVE	Every six weeks
Mathematics	Fortnightly	Computing	Every four weeks
Science	Fortnightly	Art / DT / Cook & Nut	Once per half term
History	Every three weeks	Drama	Once per half term
Geography	Every three weeks	Music	Once per half term
Languages	Every three weeks		

WHAT CAN HOMEWORK CONSIST OF?

Our teachers set a vast range of tasks to enhance the work covered in class. This may include any of the following:



RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN SCHOOL

Should students wish to complete homework in school, there are a number of facilities available to them at before school, over lunchtime and after school. P4 is also open every lunchtime for students who would like to use an ICT Suite.

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EARLY BIRD
BREAKFAST CLUB
Get a flying start to the day!

EVERY MORNING in P8 from 8.15am

Students can always ask their class teacher, teaching assistants or Subject Leaders if they are concerned or want clarification.

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**STUDY+
HOMEWORK CLUB**

- Homework
- Research
- Independent learning
- Revision

DEVELOP YOUR THIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE

AFTER SCHOOL in P8 Monday to Thursday

	Breaks & lunchtimes	After school 3.20pm - 4.20pm
MON	Year 7	All years entry is on a first come first served basis
TUES	Year 11	
WED	Year 10	
THU	Year 9	
FRI	Year 8	

SIXTH FORM Access available during the day if the library is NOT being used for a lesson or activity

Please note our capacity is 35 students

WELCOME TO OUR 

FORMBY HIGH SCHOOL

LIBRARY

Supported by the Friends of Formby High School and the Wolfson Foundation

From 'learning to read' to 'reading to learn'

USING THE SCHOOL PLANNER



All students are provided with a really useful school planner, which contains lots of reference and information pages, as well as diary pages in which they can log their homework tasks. We would welcome your support in checking the diary, making sure tasks are noted down accurately with a very clear deadline or due date for completion.

SUPPORT AT HOME

We value the support of parents in reinforcing our homework expectations at home. Providing a working environment that is fit for purpose is important. We would suggest you adopt the following aspects:

- Students should have access to a room that is away from the drama of the rest of the family.
- There should be plenty of natural or good lighting to prevent tiredness.
- Students should work at a table or desk.
- Students should have access to all their equipment, including a dictionary, computer and internet access.
- Students should avoid the distraction of mobile phones and social media during homework times.

We would also pose the question ... is the bedroom the right place for homework?

A FLYING START

Thank you for your continued support. We are determined to get our Year 7 students off to a flying start, establishing consistent routines, high expectations and a positive mindset.

Should you wish to discuss our approach to homework or have any questions, please contact Mr Cook at school.



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