



HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT HOMEWORK POLICY

In the Home Economics Department, homework is set on a regular basis for all pupils. It is conceived and implemented by departmental staff as an important element in pupil learning. Its values are taken to be those outlined in the “Homework Policy “ of the school. It reinforces, extends and complements work completed during class time. It enables pupils to develop skills, attitudes and habits involved in independent study. It allows work during school time to be focused on learning and teaching and it provides opportunities to inform parents (further) about the nature and expectations of their children’s Home Economics activities and education.

S1

In S1 pupils will be issue homework approximately once per week. This relates mainly to the food topic and parents are asked to look at homework tasks and sign homework planners to say they have seen it. Recipe books are provided and pupils are encouraged to practice as much as possible at home to build up their repertoire of cooking skills (this of course includes the washing up!!)

S3/S4

In S3/S4 pupils will be issued homework on a weekly basis relating to specific Knowledge & Understanding or Handling Information course elements (SGPE course). Homework tasks will be delivered through classroom sessions. Homework marking will vary depending on its nature. Sometimes formal marking by the teacher and on other occasions peer marking within class time. This allows teacher to have an overview of pupils’ progress whilst also allowing pupils to correct and assist each other with homework answers.

S5/S6

In S5/S6 pupils will be issued homework approximately twice per week relating to specific course concepts (NQ courses at Higher Food &Technology and Lifestyle and Consumer). This will usually take the form of past paper questions to help students understand the demands and expectations of the SQA exams.

N.B. Pupils following all NQ courses will be issued with a pen-drive at the start of their course to help with completion of all homework tasks.



P.E DEPARTMENT HOMEWORK POLICY

Homework is an important part of a pupil's work. It not only helps to reinforce, review and extend school based learning but also encourages pupils to take on some of the responsibility for organising their own work.

S1/S2

In S1/S2 the focus is on improving practical performance across a wide range of activities. No written homework is issued but the home work related task is for each pupil to ensure they bring appropriate kit for each P.E lesson. This involves bringing a change of top, shorts or track suit bottoms and a change of footwear.

N.B. No pupil is allowed to wear a football top with an alcohol sponsor.

S3/S4

In S3/S4 pupils will be issued homework on a weekly basis relating to specific Analysis and Development of Performance areas (NQ course for new S3) or specific Knowledge&Understanding areas (SGPE course for new S4). Homework tasks will be delivered by class teacher through a practical setting with an appropriate home work task set at the end of the lesson to complement the practical work that has been undertaken.

S5/S6

In S5/S6 pupils will be issued homework approximately twice per week relating to specific Analysis and Development of Performance areas (NQ course at Intermediate 2 or Higher). Homework tasks will be issued during classroom sessions (twice per week) but will relate to practical work covered in previous lessons and be used as a basis for pupils to recall key course concepts.

N.B. Pupils following all NQ courses will be issued with a pen-drive at the start of their course to help with completion of all homework tasks.