



Codsall Community High School

Homework Policy

Introduction

In the highest achieving schools students spend more time on homework than in other schools (NfER, 1995). This policy aims to continue to improve the quality and quantity of homework set and completed by students at Codsall Community High School in order to raise achievement.

Aims

- To improve homework so all students complete homework on time and to a high standard.
- To improve learner achievement, interest and develop the independence needed for lifelong learning.

Processes

- A homework schedule is shared each year so everyone knows the amount of homework that should be set and complete each week and this is included in this policy.
- Outstanding homework is recognised through the school rewards systems.
- Guidance is developed to exemplify the characteristics of good homework (see below).
- Teachers record the homework they set on the EduLink app.
- Students are given enough time to complete homework with Year 9, 10 and 11 students being given more than one evening to complete homework before it is due in.

- If a student does not complete the classwork they should, due to lack of effort, they are set this work as additional homework to complete for the next lesson.
- Students complete homework independently or with support from their parents or peers.
- Students show their homework during the lesson it's due so teachers can check they've done it.
- Homework is marked by the student themselves, a peer, a computer program or the teacher.
- Teachers share answers with students (for closed questions) so they can self-assess or WAGOOls/WABOOls (for open questions) so they can peer-assess their homework.
- Lead Teachers and members of the Senior Leadership Team check homework is being set and completed through work samples, student surveys and student interviews.
- When a student does not complete homework on time or to the required standard the teacher logs a 3 for effort for the lesson and "HWK – Failure to do homework" or "HWK – Homework not done to the correct standard" on the School Information Management System, which parents and students can see on EduLink (see behaviour policy).
- The teacher reminds the student that homework needs to be handed in next lesson.
- If a student has still not completed their homework to the required standard the teacher continues to log 3s in subsequent lessons until it has been completed.
- When a student receives 3 x 3s they are given a lunchtime detention with the teacher (see behaviour policy).

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Years/Time	40 minutes a week	30 minutes a week	15 minutes a day
Year 9	English Mathematics Science Option K (Accelerated)	Option J Option L Option M	Reading
Years/Time	60 minutes a week	40 minutes a week	15 minutes a day
Year 10	English Mathematics Science Option K (Accelerated)	Option J Option L Option M	Reading
Years/Time	90 minutes a week	45 minutes a week	
Year 11	English Mathematics Science	Option J Option L Option M	
Years/Time	5 hours a week for each A level 2 hours a week for each BTEC day		
Years 12 and 13	Option A Option B Option C Option D		

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- Homework is set in accordance with the homework schedule.
- Students should do more homework than shown in the schedule if they are underachieving in a subject or it is a subject they would like to study in the future in the sixth form or at university.
- Homework tasks are clear so students and parents can easily understand what is required.
- Homework tasks can include extra support to ensure all students can complete it.
- Homework is explained to students so they know what they need to do, when it is due and why they are doing it.
- Homework is varied and includes opportunities for:
 - acquiring and retaining knowledge;
 - practising skills;

- discussion to aid understanding;
 - independent research and project work;
 - problem solving;
 - reviewing previous work and revision;
 - reading and writing;
 - working on own, with members of family or peers;
 - using a computer;
 - completing coursework assignments.
- Homework is reviewed in class and quality homework is recognised through the school rewards system.
- Students are regularly set homework using their knowledge organisers to support long-term recall of knowledge (facts, skills and understanding).
- Students who wish to carry out additional learning at home are encouraged to undertake wider reading, subject-specific learning using online resources or carry out projects in areas of interest.