

2018-19

KS3 Curriculum



Year 8 Homework, Assessment & Reporting Information

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Year 8 Homework

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The purpose of homework:

- To consolidate and reinforce your child's learning
- To help your child prepare for the next lesson
- To allow your child to prepare and revise for tests
- To encourage your child to develop the skills and confidence to study on their own

What my child should expect regarding homework:

- No homework will be set during a holiday
- Homework will not be set for the next day
- Your child will be set between 45 and 90 minutes of homework each day

How much homework will my child receive each week?

- English and Science 2 x 30 minutes
- Maths 1 x 60 minutes
- MFL 1 x 30 minutes per week to include regular learning of grammar and vocabulary
- History and Geography 1 x 30 minutes
- All remaining subjects will not set weekly homework- projects in a carousel in summer term in certain subjects
- RE and Computing will set revision homework prior to end of term tests and end of year exams
- Students completing the Bronze Arts Award will complete a project during the first half term (this is applicable to 8D only)

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Based on the feedback that we received from students and parents from our homework survey, we have tried to ensure the following:

1. There is more consistency in subjects that give homework
2. No homework is set in the subjects that should not be setting homework
3. No homework is set over a holiday period
4. Homework is not set when students are revising for tests
5. Homework is not set for the following day
6. All KS3 homework topics are listed, for each term, on the school website (www.weatherheadhigh.co.uk/homework)
7. The time to be spent on homework is specified, clearly, by all teachers

From September we will continue using:

1. A section in the pupil planner that all students must complete, identifying the length of time it has taken to complete a piece of homework.
2. Recommended resources for parents/carers to support student learning
3. Homework clubs set up by all faculty areas

Year 8 Homework Timetable

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Please set homework on the following days. Students should record information in pupil planner.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8A & Maths AC1	Maths English	Science Spanish	Geography	English French	History Science
8C & Maths AC2	Science Geography French	English History	Spanish	English Science	Maths
8M & Maths AC3	English Science	French Spanish	Science English	Maths Geography	History
8H & Maths HS1	English	Science	Maths Geography	English Science	History Spanish
8S & Maths HS2	English Spanish	Geography Science	History	Maths English	Science
8W & Maths HS3	English Geography	Spanish Science	Maths History	Maths English	Science
8B & Maths HS4	Science Maths	Spanish English	Science	History English	Geography
8O & Maths OR1/OR2	Geography Science	Spanish English	Maths	Science History	English
8R Maths OR3	Geography Science	Maths English	Science	History	English
8L	Science English		History Geography	Science English	Maths

All homework is approximately **30 minutes** long*; teachers will specify how long it should take and students must record how long it took them.

NB- Maths homework will take **1 hour to complete (approximately).*

Please check our **WEBSITE** for more detailed information on the homework topics:

www.weatherheadhigh.co.uk/homework

SUPERVISED SUPPORT SESSIONS (ICT FACILITIES)		
DAY	1-1.30pm	3.20-5.30pm (4.30pm Friday)
MON	F205	LRC & F205
TUE	F205	LRC & F205
WED	F205	LRC & F205
THUR	F205	LRC & F205
FRI	F205	LRC & F205

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How will my child's progress be assessed?

- Teachers' regular marking of your child's books. Comments and targets set by teachers will guide your child to make progress in their learning
- End of term test in English, Maths, Science, Geography, History, Computing, RE and MFL subjects (please refer to the assessment calendar for the dates)
- Week commencing 11th February 2018, your child will sit a skills test in English, Maths, Geography and History

When will my child's progress be assessed?

Autumn Term:

- You will be invited to Parents' Evening to meet your child's Form Tutor

Spring Term:

- Parents' Evening takes place during this term and it is an opportunity for you and your child to meet with your child's subject teachers
- You will receive a progress update that will inform you of the progress your child is making in all her subjects

Summer Term:

- At the end of this term, you will receive an end of year report and a copy of your child's end of year examination results

Who should I contact if I need to discuss my child's progress?

- Mrs Jones- Year Leader
- Subject Leaders or Heads of Department
- Senior Leadership Team: Miss A Whelan- Headteacher

Mrs N Rogers- Deputy Headteacher

Mr G Joplin- Assistant Headteacher

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Year 8 Homework Assessment Calendar 2018-19

	Date	Assessment Activity
Year 8	Thursday 8 th November 2018	Year 8 Parents' Evening with Form Tutors
	Monday 26 th November- Friday 14 th December 2018	End of Term 1 Tests
	Monday 28 th January 2019	Year 8 Progress Update Home
	Week Commencing Monday 11 th February 2019	Year 8 Skills Test
	Friday 8 th March 2019	Year 8 Skills Test Results Home
	Thursday 14 th March 2019	Year 8 Parents' Evening
	Week Commencing Monday 18 th March 2019	End of Term 2 Tests
	Week Commencing Monday 10 th June 2019	Year 8 (Non-Core) End of Year Exams
	Week Commencing Monday 15 th July	Year 8 Reports Home

Online Learning

Log in to these learning platforms using your unique username and password to complete homework activities and to support independent study.

 **SAM Learning** www.samlearning.com

 **MathsWatch** vle.mathswatch.co.uk

 **kerboodle** www.kerboodle.com

 **kite** Virtual Learning Environment
(VLE) whs.kitelearning.co.uk

Accessing the KS3 Curriculum Areas Online at:
weatherheadhigh.co.uk/curriculum/ks3

Go to: weatherheadhigh.co.uk/curriculum/hari to access the homework timetable and the homework topics for each subject.

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