

2023-2024

KS3 Curriculum



Year 7 Homework, Assessment & Reporting Information

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Year 7 Homework

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The purpose of homework:

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

What students should expect regarding homework:

- No homework will be set during a holiday.
- Homework will not be set for the next day.
- Students will be set between 60 and 90 minutes of homework each day.

How much homework will students 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.
- Practical subjects may set some preparation work for students prior to a practical lesson.
- RE and Computing will set revision homework prior to end of term tests and end of year exams.

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Based on the feedback that we receive from students and parents, 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 (but revision work may be set).
5. Homework is not set for the following day.
6. All KS3 topics are listed on the school website (www.weatherheadhigh.co.uk/curriculum/KS3).
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 7 Homework Timetable 2023-2024

Homework will be set on the following days. Students should record information in the student planner, including the due date and the expected duration of homework tasks.

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|----|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 7A | English Science | Geography History | Maths | English Science | Spanish |
| 7C | English Science | History Spanish | Maths | English Science | Geography |
| 7M | English Science | Spanish | Maths History | English Science | Geography |
| 7H | English | Science History | Maths Geography | English | Science Spanish |
| 7S | Maths Geography | English Science | History | Science Spanish | English |
| 7W | English Geography | Science Spanish | Maths History | English | Science |
| 7B | English Science | Spanish Geography | Maths History | English | Science |
| 7O | English | Science Geography | Maths History | English Spanish | Science |
| 7R | English History | Science Spanish | Maths | English Geography | Science |
| 7L | English Science | Spanish Geography | Maths | English Science | History |

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- Below you can see how long you should be spending on your homework in each subject.
- The homework set by each subject may consist of one or more tasks.
- Teachers will specify how long each piece of homework will take, and students must record how long it took them in their planner.

| Subject | Frequency | Time |
|-----------|----------------|-----------------|
| Maths | Once per week | 60 minutes |
| English | Twice per week | 30 minutes each |
| Science | Twice per week | 30 minutes each |
| Spanish | Once per week | 30 minutes |
| History | Once per week | 30 minutes |
| Geography | Once per week | 30 minutes |

Year 7 Homework and Support Clubs

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- Homework clubs operate on a 'drop-in' basis, so students are welcome to attend any time they are in need of support.
- Class teachers will occasionally ask students to attend a homework club should they feel it is necessary.
- Students who are struggling with homework should seek support from their class teachers in the first instance.

After School Homework Clubs

| Year 7 | Day | Room | Time |
|--------|-----------|------|-----------------|
| | Monday | F204 | 3:15pm – 4:15pm |
| | Wednesday | F204 | 3:15pm – 4:15pm |
| | Thursday | F204 | 3:15pm – 4:15pm |

Subject KS3 Support Clubs

| Subject | Day | Room | Time |
|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Maths | Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday | C103 | Lunchtime |
| Spanish | Monday | B201 | Lunchtime |
| Science | Tuesday | D203 | Lunchtime |
| Geography | Wednesday | B008 | Lunchtime |
| English | Thursday | B206 | Lunchtime |
| History | Friday | B002/B003 | Lunchtime |

Supervised ICT Facilities

| Day | Lunchtime | After School (3:15pm – 5.30pm) |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| Monday | LRC | LRC |
| Wednesday | LRC | LRC |
| Thursday | LRC | LRC |
| Friday | LRC | LRC (until 4.30pm) |

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How will students' progress be assessed?

- Teachers' regular marking of students' exercise books. Comments and targets set by teachers will guide students to make progress in their learning.
- End of term test in English, Maths, Science, Geography, History, Computing, RE and MFL (please refer to the assessment calendar for the dates).
- End of year examination will take place in the summer term.

When will students' progress be assessed?

Autumn Term:

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

Spring Term:

- You will receive a Progress Update that will inform you of the progress being made.
- Parents' Evening takes place during this term and it is an opportunity to meet with your child's subject teachers.

Summer Term:

- At the end of this term, you will receive an End of Year Report and your child's end of year examination results.

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

- Miss Hardy - Year Leader
- Subject Leaders or Heads of Department
- Senior Leadership Team: Mr M Reid - Assistant Headteacher

Year 7 School Assessment Calendar 2023-24

| Date | Assessment Activity |
|--|--|
| W/C Monday 2nd October 2023 | Year 7 Effort Grades Home |
| Thursday 5 th October 2023 | Year 7 Parents' Evening with Form Tutors |
| Monday 4th December - Friday 15th December 2023 | End of Term 1 Tests |
| W/C Monday 22nd January 2024 | Year 7 Progress Update Home |
| Thursday 21st March 2024 | Year 7 Parents' Evening |
| Monday 18th March – Friday 22nd March 2024 | End of Term 2 Tests |
| W/C Monday 10th June 2024 | KS3 End of Year Exams |
| W/C Monday 15th July 2024 | KS3 Reports Home |

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weatherheadhigh.co.uk/curriculum/ks3

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