

## Year 8 Work at Home

The growing body of evidence from educational research suggests that students make significant progress with their learning when they complete additional tasks at home. We will ask students to complete a range of tasks away from the classroom, including:

- Retrieval practice (tests or quizzes without notes to refer to)
- Individual research (fact finding in books or online)
- Flipped learning (reading, watching videos or research, in preparation for the upcoming lesson)
- Project work (preparing an extending piece of writing, art work or presentation etc)
- Extension tasks (to stretch and challenge students, to add further depth to their work)

Work at home will be set each week on:

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Maths	English	MFL		Science

As a useful guide homework will be set on the day of their lesson in all other subjects according to the table below (students will have a minimum of a week to complete this work):

Art	2 tasks per half term.
DT	2 tasks per half term. The first task being a short research activity near the beginning of each half term. The second writing up an aspect of the project towards the end of each half term.
Drama	1 task is set per half term. Students will be given a choice of tasks to do. Students are free to choose when they complete the task during the unit.
Food/ Textiles	Preparation for lessons including sourcing ingredients and small research tasks will be expected. There will be 1 main task or activity per half term. Students will choose a task from a selection of activities to complete at any point during the half term.
Geography	2 task per half term. 1 short research based task (approximately 30 min) and 1 longer project (approximately 1 hour) e.g. for Food is 1) Food flag (30min) and 2) Calculate the foodmiles for 10 food stuffs from your cupboard and present this as a poster
History	1 enquiry task per half term.
Music	1 task is set per half term. Students will be given a choice of tasks to do. Students are free to choose when they complete the task during the unit.
RP	1 task per half term. The purpose of it will be to extend learning, and to give a wider understanding of aspects of each unit.

More specific detail of the set tasks will be written by students in their planners.

Planners should be signed by parents on a weekly basis.