

Regents Park Community College

Homework Policy





Statement

At Regents Park Community College we believe that homework is an essential part of good education and key to the fulfilment of the school aims.

At Regents Park homework is used:

- To enhance students' learning and understanding.
- To extend and consolidate skills and understanding developed at school.
- To help raise personal achievement.
- To develop skills and attitudes for lifelong learning.
- To support the development of independent learning skills, confidence and motivation.
- To extend the scope of the subject beyond the classroom environment.

Procedures

• Time allocation for homework changes depending on the subject and the year group. Refer to homework schedules that are annually updated.

Strategies

- Types of homework: students can expect to get a variety of homework to enhance their learning.
- Use of the library is recommended. Its opening times are Monday Friday 8.15am 4.00pm.

Monitoring and Evaluation

- Curriculum Leaders must keep this policy in mind when reviewing the schemes of work. Recommended tasks/resources will be made available where possible.
- Sampling of books by Subject, Year teams and the Leadership Team will include homework. Parental and staff views will be required.

Appendices

Guidance for Staff

- Homework is an integral part of the curriculum which is planned and prepared within the schemes of work.
- Homework will be appropriate for the age, ability and circumstances of the students providing suitable challenge.

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- Homework setting will be monitored by Curriculum Leader and completes by teacher. Students can expect to receive suitable feedback in line with the assessment policy guidelines.
- Failure to produce homework should be noted in planner to inform parents/carer (for countersigning) and tutors and followed up within each department.
- Teachers are to write the homework on the board with time to check students' understanding.

Guidance for Students

- Student must use their planner to record homework fully including deadlines.
- Students have a responsibility to complete and hand in homework of a good standard on time.
- Students will seek a teacher's assistance before it is due if they have difficulties completing the work set.
- Students should record how long they have spent on each piece of work in their planner.
- Students can use the ICT facilities in the school library if necessary for the completion of their work.

Guidance for Parents

- Parents are asked to check and sign their child's planner weekly ensuring homework has been complete.
- Parents are expected to encourage their child to complete their work to the best of their ability.
- Parents can exert an influence on the homework environment by creating appropriate conditions for learning.
- Use of the library is recommended. Its opening hours are Monday Friday 8.15am 4.00pm.
- Students are expected to ask for permission to use the ICT facilities in school if necessary for the completion of their work.