



7<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Parent/ Carer,

We hope you have enjoyed a restful summer. In order to support the well-being of our pupils we have made the decision to refrain from setting homework for the first few weeks. We will gradually reintroduce homework for our pupils, once we have them settled into the routine of school, feeling happy, confident and organised. We feel it is very important that good study habits and a strong work ethic are developed early on, but we also want to ensure our pupils have time to prioritise reading, enjoy hobbies and extra-curricular activities, as well as spend time with their families to support their sense of well-being, in what will initially be, a period of readjustment.

This will also allow us time in school to help prepare pupils to organise their time and remind them of our high expectations around home learning. To support your child at home, wherever possible, pupils should have a quiet space at home where they can work without distraction of TV/social media/family members. Pupils should work for periods of 20-30minutes, and then have a short break.

We do run homework club for pupils who wish to complete work in school, with access to IT facilities, which will resume week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> September. Further information regarding homework club will be shared with your child in school.

Key dates for the re-introduction of homework are as follows:

Week/ Year groups	Year 11	Year 10	Year 7, 8 & 9
1.9.20	Revision only	No homework	No homework
7.9.20	Revision only	No homework	No homework
14.9.20	Revision	Yr. 10- *core only Yr12- all subjects	No homework
21.9.20	All subjects	Yr. 10- *core only Yr12- all subjects	*Core only
28.9.20	All subjects	All subjects	*Core only
5.10.20	All subjects	All subjects+ **Bedrock	Core + **Bedrock
12.10.20	All subjects	All subjects+ **Bedrock	All subjects + **Bedrock

\*'Core' refers to English, maths & science.

\*\* Bedrock is a new initiative which supports reading- please see separate letter.

We hope this will support you and your child in their return to school. If you do have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's relevant Head of House.

Yours sincerely,

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