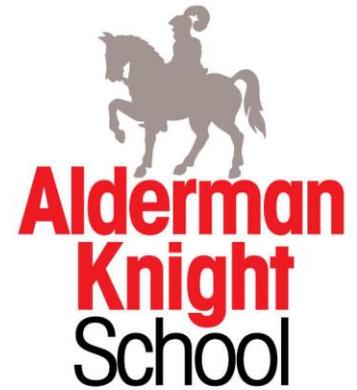


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Homework Policy

Introduction:

At Alderman Knight School we work with parents and carers to support learning at home. We understand the difficulties some pupils will have completing work at home and as a result, we have developed a flexible homework approach in collaboration with parents and carers. Homework is discussed at the first parents evening in September/October and agreed with those parents who would like to support it. The School recognises that homework may take many forms and may include reading, written work, observations, research and practice of other skills as appropriate.

Practices and procedures

Parents and carers in collaboration with tutors will complete a homework request form during the Autumn term parents evening. This request form will be passed to the subject teacher who will set the homework as requested. The tutor team and subject leaders will monitor the homework being set.

In Key Stage 1, if parents request homework then generally reading and word boxes/spellings are sent out on a Friday.

In Key Stage 2, pupils' homework is usually weekly and is designed to develop reading and comprehension skills.

In Key Stage 3, homework is based around literacy or numeracy. The homework is often on a topic agreed with the pupil.

In Key Stage 4 and 5, pupils can expect some homework dependent upon the exams/accreditations they are working towards. There are times, particularly for exam students, when we set homework especially as they approach exams. We might use revision sheets, workbooks, and websites such as Bitesize in Maths, English and Science.

Alderman Knight School have purchased subscriptions to a number of on-line resources to aid the development of literacy and numeracy skills. Links to these resources are located on the Alderman Knight School website. These resources can be accessed from home and are used routinely for homework.

Logins for each of these on-line resources will be sent out in the Autumn Term. If you need logins sent home please contact your child's tutor.

Alderman Knight School holds sessions for parents and carers to come into school to find out more about how pupils are taught, how they can support at home as well as how to use homework based resources. Information on these sessions will be sent home with pupils and posted on the school website.

The role of the Subject Leader/Tutors – Monitoring homework set by class teachers

It is expected that subject leaders and tutors will check to see that the teachers are regularly setting, marking and providing feedback to pupils and parents/carers in line with the requested homework from parents/carers. The senior leadership team (SLT) will ask subject leaders at different points through the year for samples of homework from the different teachers within their departments. This type of homework scrutiny will be used as a means of ensuring that homework is of the highest standard at Alderman Knight so it continues to inform the teaching and learning of our pupils.

Role of Parents/Carers

The School views the support of parents/carers as very important to the effective use of homework. All parents will be acquainted with the School's homework policy. If you find the homework inappropriate for your child, if they lack interest, if it becomes a battleground or if you are concerned that homework is given inconsistently please talk with your child's tutor in the first instance.

Other policies that support this policy

- Curriculum
- Assessment
- Subject policies
- Marking policy

Policy review:

This policy will be reviewed annually

This policy was reviewed in September 2018

The policy will be reviewed again in September 2019