

8th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Homework Policy 2025-26

We would like to take this opportunity to share with you our school's approach to homework for the year ahead. At Shuttleworth, we view homework as an essential part of the learning process. It gives students the chance to revisit what they have studied in class, strengthen their understanding, and develop important life skills such as independent study, time management, and memory development. For KS4 students, homework also plays a vital role as the first step in preparing for their final GCSE exams.

KS4 Homework Expectations

- KS4 students will receive homework in all their GCSE option subjects.
- Homework is carefully designed to link directly to the knowledge and skills needed for GCSE revision, helping students prepare gradually rather than leaving it until the final months of Year 11.
- It is an expectation that students complete all their homework each week.

Homework Schedule

To make homework more manageable, we have created a schedule that spreads work evenly across the week. Each subject has mapped out its homework for the year, showing how each task links to wider revision of the course.

- Students will receive a paper version of this schedule for their chosen subjects.
- The full schedules will also be available on our school website in the coming weeks, and a link will be sent home once they are finalised.

The homework schedule should also be written into your child's planner but is attached to this letter and can be found on the school website. Planners should be brought into school every day and placed on desks in lessons.

Parental Support

Your support makes a real difference at this stage. Helping your child set up a routine, providing a quiet place to work, and talking with them about what they are revising can give them a real boost in confidence and motivation. Even short quizzes around key concepts can make revision feel more active and effective. We will also be hosting a 'How to Revise' session for students and parents of Years 10 and 11 on Thursday 16th October.

Rewards and Consequences

Teachers will spend time at the beginning of a lesson each week to review homework and provide feedback. Students who complete homework to a high quality will receive rewards, and subjects may also send positive text messages to acknowledge your child's hard work.

To ensure homework is completed consistently, we have a system of consequences in place:

- Detentions will run one week behind homework deadlines.
- Students with **two incomplete homework logs in a week** will receive a 30-minute detention.
- Students with **three or more incomplete homework logs in a week** will receive a 60-minute detention.
- Detentions will take place after school on **Wednesdays**. The first session will be on **Wednesday 1st October**, covering homework set in the week commencing **22nd September**. This is to allow students to become familiar with their timetables in the first few weeks.

We know that GCSE preparation can feel overwhelming at times, but by working together we can ensure that students are supported to succeed step by step. Thank you for encouraging and supporting your child as they embark on this important stage of their education.

Year 10 Homework Schedule 2025-26

		10a Band		10b Band		10c Band	
		Set	Due	Set	Due	Set	Due
English	Week A	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday
	Week B						
Maths	Week A	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
	Week B						
Science	Week A	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
	Week B						
		Option A		Option B		Option E	
	Week A	Monday	Monday	Thursday	Thursday	Monday	Monday
	Week B						
		Option C		Option D		Option F	
	Week A	Wednesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
	Week B						

Year 11 Homework Schedule 2025-26

		11a Band		11b Band		11c Band	
		Set	Due	Set	Due	Set	Due
English	Week A	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
	Week B						
Maths	Week A	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday
	Week B						
Science	Week A	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
	Week B						
		Option A		Option B			
	Week A	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday		
	Week B						
		Option C		Option D			
	Week A	Thursday	Thursday	Monday	Monday		
	Week B						

Yours Sincerely,



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