



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to inform you that the school will be switching to a new Homework system and policy, using the Satchel One platform. Satchel One, which is also known commonly as Show my Homework is recognised as one of the best homework platforms in the country, and we could not be more excited to get our students involved.

On Show My Homework, you will be able to monitor your child's Homework progress. You will also be able to see what is due; when it is due and what has and has not been completed.

All homework we now set can be accessed via the Satchel One Show My Homework platform. All students have been trained on how to use it, and their logins are the same as their logins when they access computers at school. If your child cannot log in, they need to inform their form tutor.

Success is achieved when Parents, Teachers and Students are working together, so we need your support to ensure that Homework is always completed. Our expectation is that students are 100% compliant with all Homework that is set. Extensive studies have proven that children who regularly do Homework make an additional 5-10 months of academic progress per year.

We will be using a well-researched homework policy that focuses on knowledge recall in their subjects and should take no more than 10-15 minutes per subject. Students will never be given more than 4 subjects worth of Homework per night. Our method is designed to ensure knowledge retention which is key for success in their final GCSE exams. Attached with most homework will also be a 'Further Challenge' task. We strongly advise you to encourage your children to complete these tasks.

When Homework is completed, your children will receive weekly merits, Superstars and the opportunity to go on reward trips. There will also be a homework intervention club held on Wednesdays. If homework is not completed, then it is mandatory that your child attends this intervention. If homework cannot be completed for any reason, please ensure that a note is written in your child's planner explaining why. The expectation is that it will be completed as quickly as possible thereafter.

To help parents support their child, we will be running an online training session on **Wednesday 1st November** via ZOOM that will show you how you can monitor your child's Homework. The link will be sent out on **Wednesday 18th October**. The session will be at 5 p.m. and last no longer than 30 minutes.

To log in students should (1) go to [www.satchelone.com](http://www.satchelone.com), (2) Click on the 'Student' tab (3) Press the button to 'Sign in with Microsoft Account. (4) Type in their school login and password.

Thank you in advance for your support and helping our children achieve their best.

Warmest regards,

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