



12 September 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you to explain our home learning protocols for Years 7 to 8.

In order to support students, Guseley School produces a schedule of home learning to enable students to manage their time and workload, whilst ensuring that they know what they have to complete on each night.

At Guseley School home learning

- ensures a long term coordinated approach to revision
- allows for self-quizzing which cognitive psychology tells us is one of the best habits to instil in learners
- ensures students use and review knowledge organisers, learning the key knowledge they need to be successful and maximise their outcomes

Some students may not have a lesson in a subject (e.g. Maths) on the particular day for which home learning is scheduled in that subject (e.g. Monday). This will not impact upon their ability to complete the task as no homework is set in the first 2 weeks. Home learning is scheduled on the Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) under the home learning tab within each subject tab.

Students will always have work to do, as they will spend 15 minutes reading, 30 minutes on the allocated subject and an additional 30 minutes allocated to work from the following:

Topic projects (see topic calendar).

Wider reading (see VLE).

Self-quizzing and memorisation of core content found on the knowledge organisers.

Knowledge organisers can be found in learning resources tab under each subject tab. The memorisation of core subject content over the long term will improve outcomes for students as it will lead to a change in their long term memory.

The home learning schedules and project task calendars are available on the school website (www.guseleyschool.org.uk/curriculum/homelearning).

Where online resources have been used for home learning the website will in most cases give instant feedback. Where students are asked to learn spellings/ foreign language vocabulary these will be tested in class and self/ peer assessed in most cases. Teachers will check home learning for completion.

We understand that not all students will have access to the VLE from home. In order to support students with access to the VLE we will run a homework club in school each weekday in IT4 from 14:50 until 15:50. If you child will not

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be able to access the homework club and will be unable to access the VLE from home please complete and return the reply slip below or email info@guiseleyschool.org.uk by Friday 13 September so that we can contact you to discuss how we can support your child with their home learning.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Vasey
Deputy Headteacher

Should your child be unable to attend the homework club and will not be able to access the VLE from home please complete and return to school by Friday 13 September or email info@guiseleyschool.org.uk and we will contact you to discuss how we can support your child with home learning.

Name of Child _____

Form _____

Our child will not be able to attend the homework club and will not be able to access the VLE from home

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