

Dear Families,

At Dixons Newall Green, our mission is to provide your child with a first-class education that opens doors to future opportunities, and one of the key ways we support this is through home learning. As we move into Key Stage 4 examination years with your child, our homework policy must adapt accordingly. Our homework strategy will be as follows:

Knowledge Organisers and Quizzes

Your child has a new Knowledge Organiser for half term one. For every subject there is a set of questions and answers each week. Your child will be tested on these questions and answers each week in the subjects they study.

Mastery Homework

In addition, your child will complete a mastery homework each week in most subjects. This will look different in each subject but will comprise of:

Mastery booklets with GCSE style tasks-English, Spanish, Mandarin, Health and Social, Travel and Tourism

Sparx-Maths and Science

Seneca-History and Geography

In the creative subjects such as Art, Music, Drama, Hospitality and Catering and PE mastery homework will look different depending on the requirement of the unit of study. They might not receive written homework each week.

Please find below an overview of year 10 mastery homework

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	H&S (C) week B	Geography - All classes. Seneca is due	Spanish-all classes	
	English - All classes, mastery ho	History - All classes. Seneca is due	Science - Sparx Homework Due	
	Mandarin		SPORT (week B)	
	Maths - Sparx due		H&S (A) week B	
			Music (10B) week A	
			Music (10B) week A	

How can you help your child with their homework?

- Provide a quiet space for your child to focus on their homework, with minimal distractions.
- Encourage your child to start their homework early.
- Please let them attempt questions independently. Sparx Learning will automatically adjust the level of questions provided based on your child's answers.
- If your school has parent emails enabled, keep track of your child's progress within their homework by checking the weekly email sent to you from Sparx.
- Encourage your child to use homework club where they can complete Sparx on a computer. This can be easier than on a mobile phone with a small screen!
- Remind them that they will most likely have homework to complete each evening.

What support is available at Dixons Newall Green?

- Homework club is available every day in the IT suite.
- Students will have a correction free period as they are embedding the expectations and learning habits after the summer break (until week beginning 14th September)

- Overview and Knowledge Organisers available on our website
- Recognitions for students completing homework.

Students should speak to their teacher as early as possible if they are struggling with their homework, or feel free to contact the email address below if you have any ongoing concerns.

Homework is an important learning habit that is essential to all students achieving the best qualifications possible, and this is vital part of revision and exam preparation. We rely on our partnership with you as families to ensure all students complete homework each day and are grateful of your continued support.

Whilst students are getting used to our homework routines after summer break there will be no corrections issued for non-completion until Monday 14th September.

Yours sincerely,

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