## Dear Parent/Carer

At Appleton Academy homework is seen as a valuable way of revising and extending work undertaken in school, of discovering information not available in school, of involving parents in their children's studies and of developing the self-discipline essential for good habits of study. It is our policy to set homework on a regular basis as set out in the Yearl0 homework timetable below and in student planners.

| Subject | Task Type | Frequency |
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| English | Online work on Seneca learning. | Work set weekly on Seneca learning. |
| Maths | Online work on Sparx maths. | Work set weekly on Sparx maths. |
| Science | Online work on Seneca learning. | Work set weekly on Seneca learning. |
| History | Online work set on Seneca learning. | Work set weekly on Seneca learning. |
| Geography | Exam question grids. | $3-4$ pieces set per unit. |
| Spanish | Vocabulary builders. | Work set fortnightly. |
| Music | Independent instrumental practice. | Work set fortnightly. |
| Drama | Exam practice. | Work set fortnightly. |
| iMedia / ICT | Complete lesson tasks in class notebook. | Work set fortnightly. |
| DT, art and <br> photography | Completion of work for portfolios. | Work set weekly. |
|  <br> catering | GCSE exam practice | Work set weekly. |
| Health and Social <br> Care, BTEC <br> Sport and Child <br> Development | Work set to support in class learning and <br> coursework. | Work set by teachers as and when |

- Students should spend $30-45$ minutes on each subject's homework.
- A variety of homework tasks will be set including written work, research, revision, project work and preparation for future work.
- We also have a range of online learning packages to support your child's work such as: www.spaxmaths.uk and www.senecalearning.com. These websites will be used by some subjects instead of paper-based homework. Your child will have received usernames and passwords for these online learning platforms. This is usually linked to their Office 365 account.
- Students will record their homework tasks in their planner. Please check and sign the student planner each week.
- To make good progress in their learning it is essential that students complete homework to the best of their ability. Please talk to your child about their homework and support them in organising their time to ensure homework is handed in on time.
- If students need support with homework, please encourage them to talk to their subject teacher.
- Whilst we value the importance of homework in consolidating or extending your child's learning, it can become an unmanageable task for teachers to chase students who were set homework and choose not to do it. Therefore, if your child fails to complete three consecutive pieces of homework, we will presume that you do not wish your child to continue to complete homework and staff will no longer inform you or issue a sanction to your child should they not complete it.
- If you have concerns about homework, you should refer these in the first instance to the subject teacher.

