



The Astley Cooper School

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Dear Year 7 Parent/Carer

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Homework forms an important part of your child's learning experience. To help you support your child, we use an on-line system, *Show My Homework*, to record the tasks set in each subject and the deadline date for each one. This can be accessed through The Astley Cooper School website or directly through the *Show My Homework* website, using a unique student login.

As the system organises your child's tasks in order of priority for completion, work should not pile up the night before the deadline and then create an impossible workload for one evening if your child uses it daily.

To give you some idea of the minimum amount of homework to expect for your child, some guidelines are given below:

Reading – we expect your child to read for about 10 to 20 minutes each day; this can be their own book, one from a library or their accelerated reader. This is addition to the 10 minutes of daily private reading done in school. We ask you to sign the planner daily with the time spent reading. Tutors will be checking this weekly. A list of books being read can be kept on the notes page in the planner.

English – one task related to the unit of work being studied and a spelling list to learn per week

Maths – one task per week; a second task may be set occasionally

Science – one learning task per week; a further task may be set no more than once a fortnight

Spanish/French – one task per fortnight

History, Geography and PRE – one task for each of these subjects per fortnight

Technology – one task per fortnight

The remaining practical subjects will set less often. Miss O'Riordan will expect children to practice the dance sequences they have learned in class regularly. There will be no other homework in PE. Miss McIntyre expects groups to have rehearsed their Drama pieces before assessment lessons.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding homework, please contact your child's form tutor.

Yours sincerely

Mr Baker
Associate Assistant Headteacher



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