



# The Astley Cooper School

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Dear Year 8 Parent/Carer

Homework forms an important part of your child's learning experience. To enable you to continue supporting your child, we will be using *Show My Homework*, the same on-line system as last year, to record the tasks set in each subject and the deadline date for each one.

I thought I should just remind you how it works. The system 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:

**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 subject per fortnight

**Technology** – one task per fortnight from Mr Elliott; one per month from Miss Hodges  
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. Miss McIntyre expects groups to have rehearsed their Drama pieces before assessment lessons. There will be no homework in PE.

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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